



# Wake County Public Safety Committee

August 19, 2019

- 1993 – Wake County Commissioners establish the Wake County Task Force on Area Homelessness
- 1997 Gap Analysis:
  - 1,923 persons are homeless and in need of a bed in Wake County on any given night
  - 65% have a substance use disorder
  - Existing shelters turn away anyone who was intoxicated





## Early Support & Lead Gift

- January 1999 – Capitol Broadcasting provides 12-month salary for an interim Executive Director and office space
- March 1999 - WakeMed committed \$2 million dollars to kick off the \$5.5 million dollar capital campaign

- Healing Transitions is a 501(c)(3), private not-for-profit organization that offers:
  - ❑ Non-medical detoxification
  - ❑ Overnight emergency shelter; and
  - ❑ A long-term, 12-step based, peer run, social model recovery program for persons with alcoholism and other drug addictions
  - ❑ Specialized services (healthcare clinic, child and family and case management services)
  - ❑ Family education and support program
  - ❑ Post Opioid Overdose Rapid Responder Program

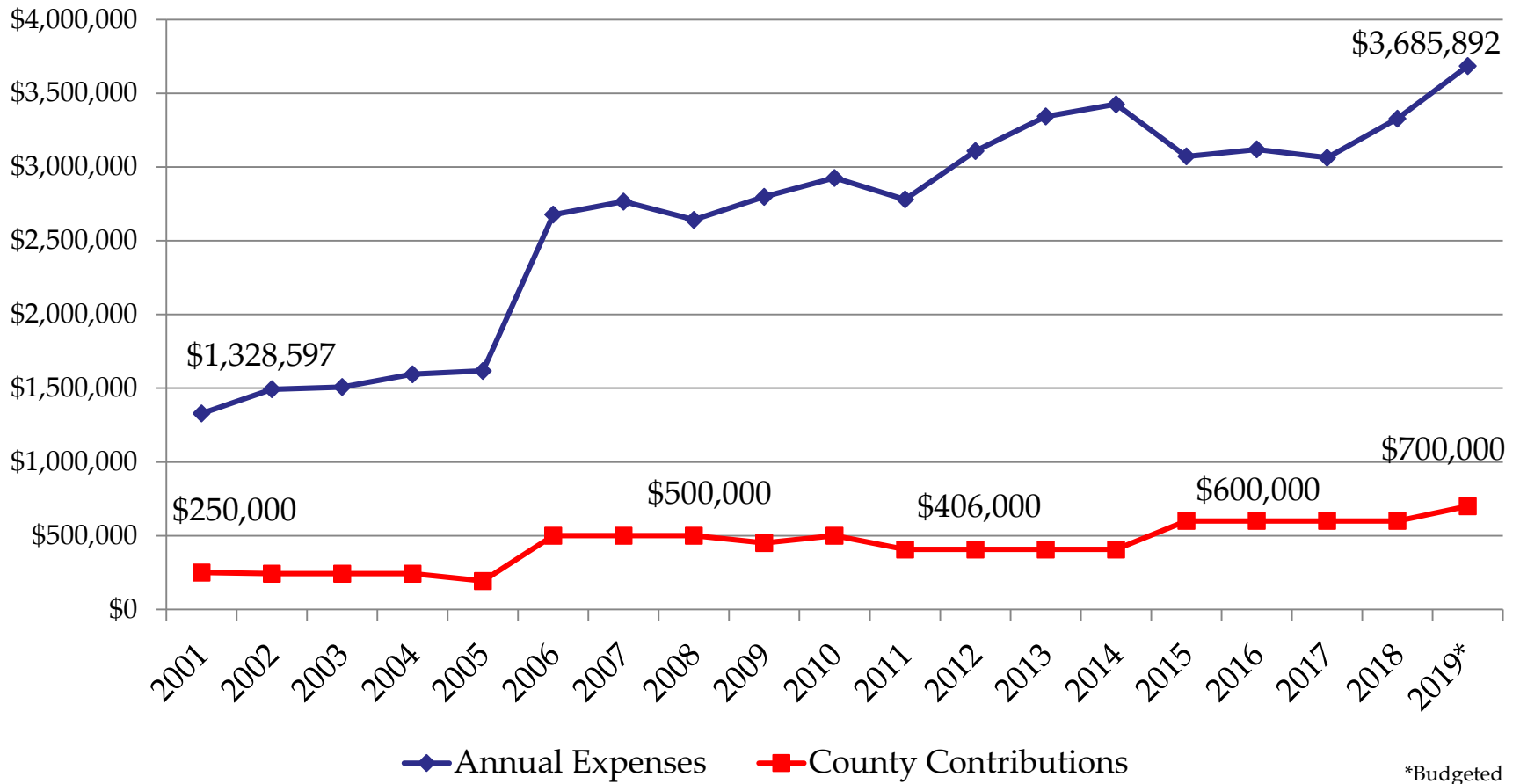
- Low threshold for engagement
- Homeless, uninsured, underserved
- No cost or need for insurance
- Always open 24/7
- As many times as it takes
- Peer to peer approach
- Hand up, not a hand out



## Facts & Outcomes

- Less than \$35 per day to serve a participant
- Nearly 1,100 graduates
- Approaching 1.5 million beds of shelter provided
- One year after program completion:
  - 76% of graduates remain substance free
  - 90% of graduates are employed
  - 98% of graduates are in housing

## Annual Expenses v. County Contributions







## Facts & Outcomes

- Less than \$35 per day to serve a participant
- Nearly 1,100 graduates
- Approaching 1.5 million beds of shelter provided
- One year after program completion:
  - 76% of graduates remain substance free
  - 90% of graduates are employed
  - 98% of graduates are in housing

- Since 2007 \$35 million in graduate tax withholdings
  - 115 graduates responded to survey
  - Almost \$1.2 million in actual tax withholdings
  
- 2018 Wake County Property Tax Survey
  - Past participants and graduates reported paying almost \$104,000 in property taxes to Wake County
  - The same survey found \$616,284 in annual rent payments



# Facts & Outcomes

## ■ Healthcare in 2018

- 993 individuals seen in our healthcare clinics
- 1,043 individuals received prescription assistance
  - \$18,836 in prescription costs paid by HT
- Partnership with Wake County Public Health
  - 205 individuals tested for HIV/STDs
  - 191 individuals tested for Hepatitis C
    - 59 individuals linked to Hepatitis C treatment

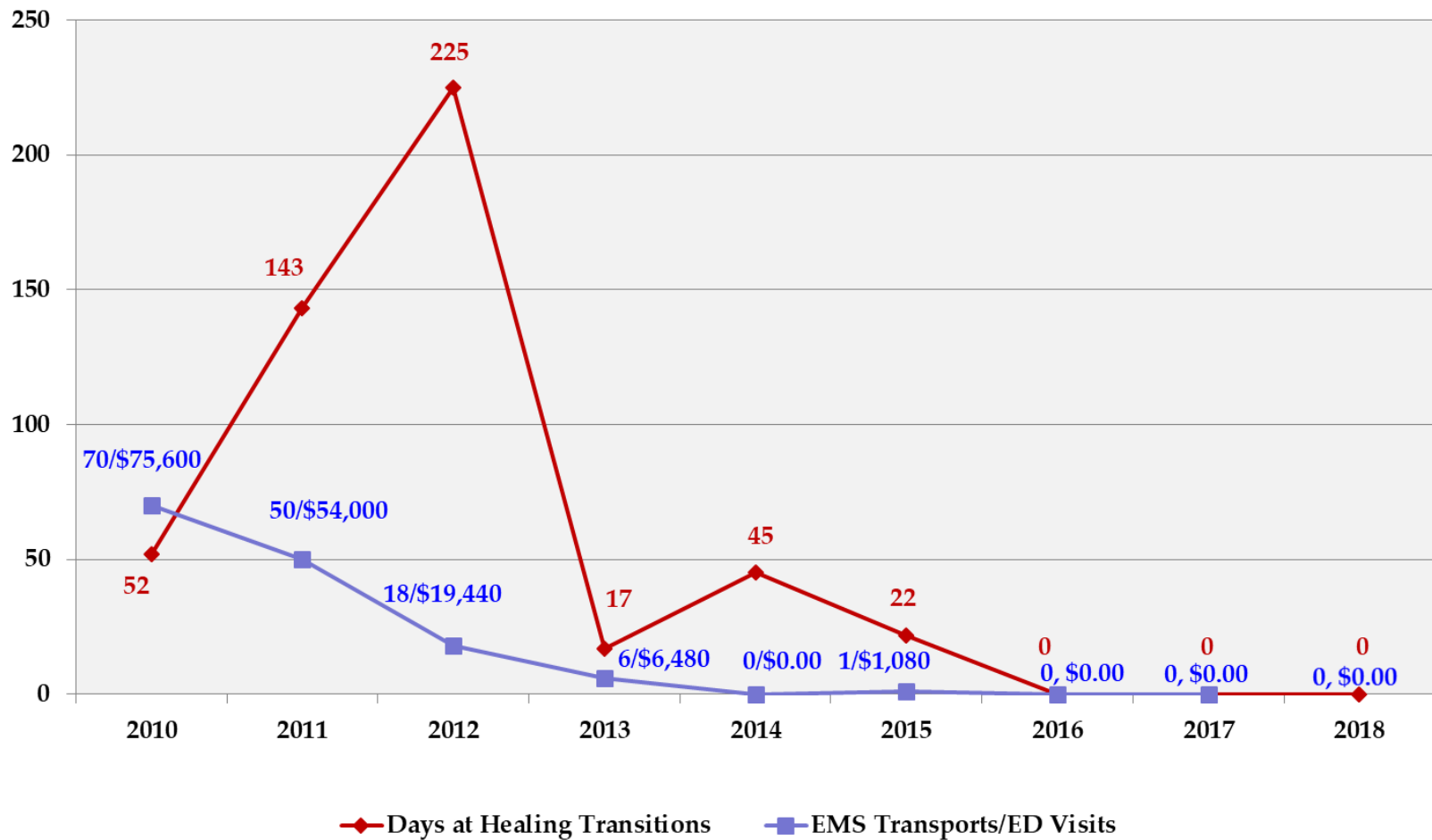


# Facts & Outcomes

## ■ Public Safety

- 223 diversions from EMS and Police in 2018

## Healing Transitions Engagement, EMS Transports and ED Visits A study of one client





- Have you ever been arrested?
  - 90% of men
    - 73% have been arrested more than 3 times
  - 93% of women
    - 54% have been arrested more than 3 times
- Have you ever been in Wake County jail?
  - 49% of men
  - 38% of women

- Pending Legal Charges
  - 28% of men
  - 34% of women



- Have you ever been in NC prison?
  - 34% of men
  - 20% of women
- Have you ever been on probation in NC?
  - 63% of men
  - 64% of women

# Individual Case Study

- First arrest
  - 1998
  - Age 21
- Last arrest
  - 2011
  - Age 34

County	Arrests	Charges*
Johnson	4	8
Wake	14	22
<b>Total</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>30</b>

\*All charges were addiction related

# Individual Case Study

Misdemeanors	Felonies
27	3



# Individual Case Study

- 266 days in jail
- 10 months in prison
- Court costs



## Individual Case Study

- Since 2013
  - Has paid over \$9,000 in back child support
  - Had over \$25,000 withheld in Federal, Social Security, Medicare, and State taxes

- Overcrowding:
  - Population growth (66% increase in since 2001)
  - Opioid Crisis
  
- Record high census numbers

## Combined Campuses Census – 3-Year Comparison

Year	Average Daily Census	Change from previous year	High for Year	
2016	256.35	N/A	Feb.	292.36
2017	276.97	↑8.04%	Nov.	295.44
2018	305.27	↑10.22%	Oct.	321.97



## Combined Campuses Census – 3-Year Comparison

Year	Average Daily Census	Change from previous year	High for Year	
2016	256.35	N/A	Feb.	292.36
2017	276.97	↑8.04%	Nov.	295.44
2018	305.27	↑10.22%	Oct.	321.97

## Combined Campuses Census – 3-Year Comparison

Year	Average Daily Census	Change from previous year	High for Year	
2016	256.35	N/A	Feb.	292.36
2017	276.97	↑8.04%	Nov.	295.44
2018	305.27	↑10.22%	Oct.	321.97

### Total Individuals Served – 3-Year Comparison

Year	Total	Change from previous year
2016	1,936	N/A
2017	2,014	↑4.03%
2018	2,329	↑15.64%

## Total Individuals Served – 3-Year Comparison

Year	Total	Change from previous year
2016	1,936	N/A
2017	2,014	↑4.03%
2018	2,329	↑15.64%

















# **RECOVERY CAN'T WAIT**

a capital campaign for  
Healing Transitions

## ■ Overcrowding:

- ❑ On-demand service model is in jeopardy
- ❑ Participant dignity has been strained
- ❑ Staff stress and burnout
- ❑ Risk of turning someone away can be deadly



- Women's Campus:
  - No separation between participants and the public
  - Added beds in 2017, but not common area space
  
- Men's Campus:
  - General overcrowding
  - Loss of Dix Chapel for classes

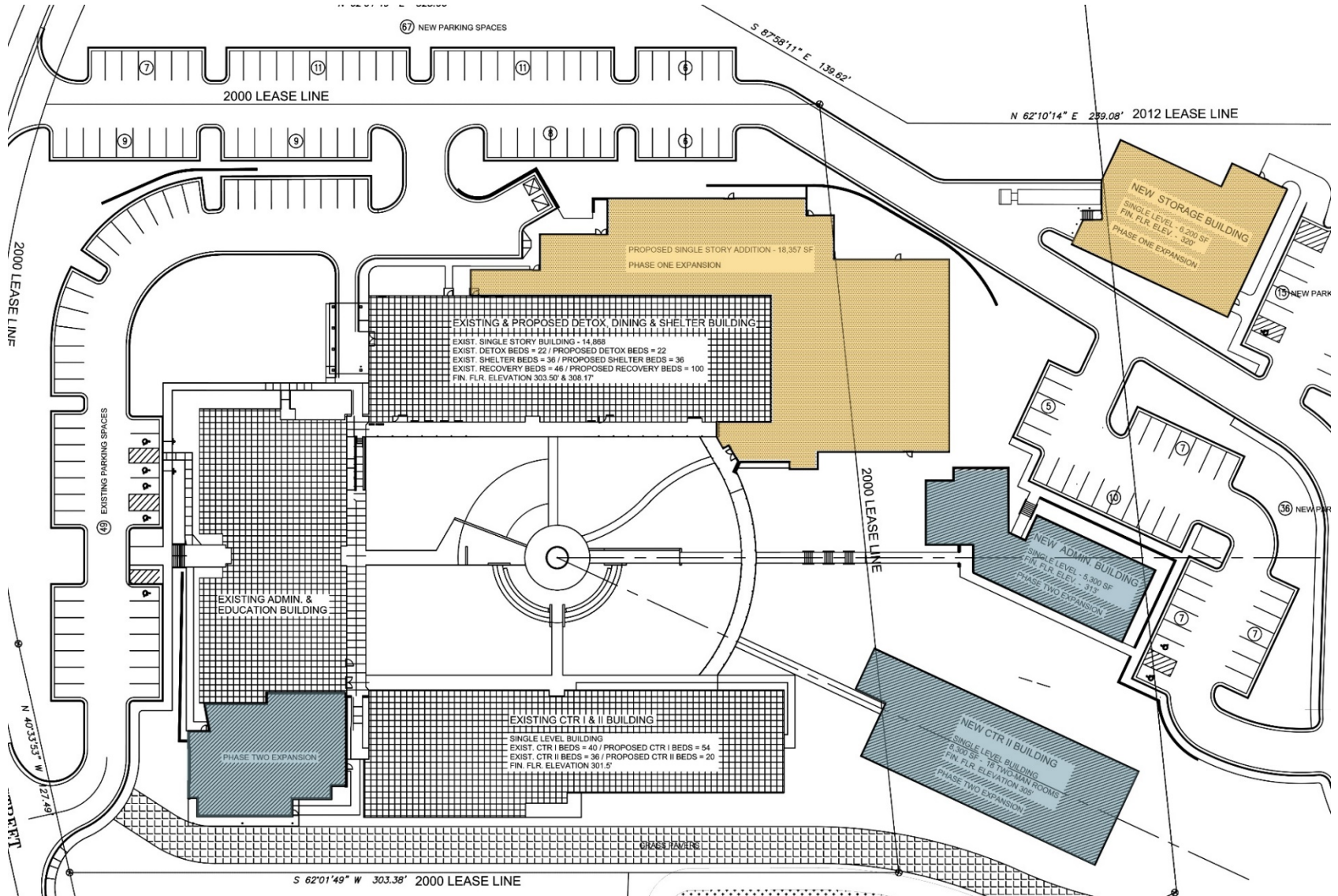


- Recovery Can't Wait – \$11.75M capital campaign
  - Adds capacity for 200 beds (total of 500)
  - Expanded living spaces
  - Expanded program spaces
  - Continues ability to serve as a community resource



- \$7 million - partial expansion
  - Adds capacity for 110 addition beds (total 290)
  - Enlarged kitchen and dining
  - New vocational skills and training building
  - New and expanded classrooms
  - Allows for return of providing emergency shelter at the Men's Campus









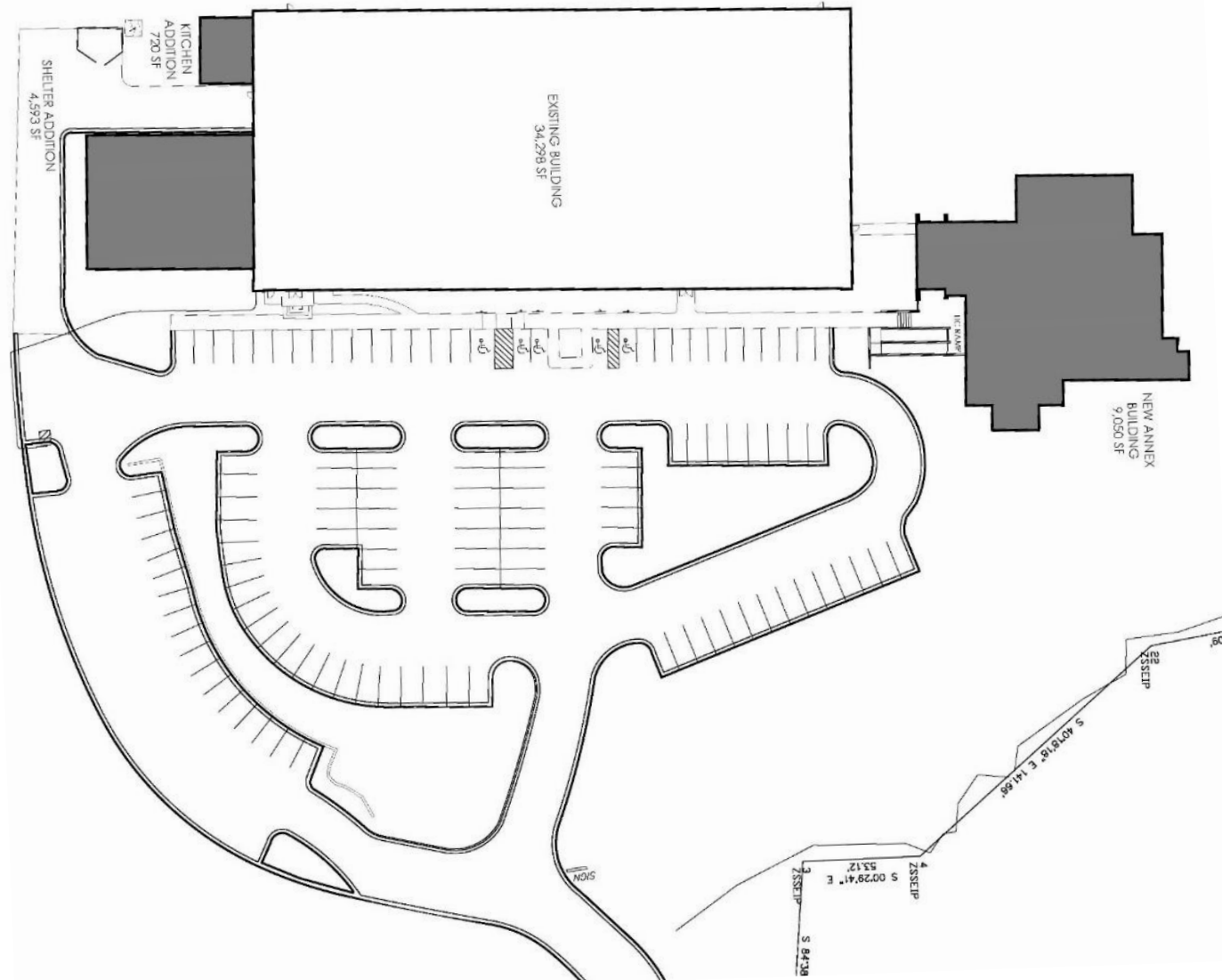
# Men's Campus Rendering



- \$4.75 million – full expansion
  - Adds capacity for 90 addition beds (total 210)
  - Added shelter capacity
  - Renovated and expanded bathing and laundry spaces
  - Expanded kitchen space
  - New Career and Community Center







- Addresses overcrowding
  - Decreases stress on staff and facilities
  - Provides adequate shared/common spaces
  - Improves morale of participants and staff
- Promotes dignity for participants
  - More privacy, less public intrusion at women's
  - Gets people off the floors
- Allows us to continue providing services on demand



- September 24, 2019 – Express Sketch Review (men’s)
- March 2020 – Groundbreaking (men’s)
- Summer 2020 – Groundbreaking (women’s)
  - Could be accelerated based on funding





## How We Will Do It

Campaign Goal \$11,750,000

Raised to Date \$3,744,548

Left to Raise **\$8,005,452**

\$500,000 raised to date is the Wake County Capital Improvement Process

Men's Campus	\$7,000,000
Women's Campus	\$4,750,000
TOTAL	\$11,750,000