



**Beyond Homeless** Inc.

Homeless Shelter and Resource Center

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Teresa Deaton-Reese, Procurement Consultant  
Indiana Department of Administration  
Procurement Division  
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Dear Ms. Deaton-Reese:

It is with great interest that I write this letter of support for Hamilton Center Inc.'s Request for Services submission (REF 24-77045) regarding the statewide expansion of the Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC) model. Hamilton Center is uniquely positioned to be a part of the State's application for a demonstration program.

I am aware the CCBHC model will allow robust expansion of the behavioral health system in Indiana with an emphasis on crisis services, alignment with 988, integration with primary care and broadening access for all Hoosiers, particularly those most vulnerable.

Hamilton Center has been a remarkable community partner in central and west central Indiana since 1971. Their integration with all segments of the community has promoted strong collaboration and provided access to quality care for 13,000 consumers spanning a ten-county area. Most recently, the organization added 24/7 crisis services (including mobile crisis), a Federally Qualified Health Center Look-Alike, three certified opioid treatment programs and has been selected by SAMHSA to operate as a CCBHC since 2020.

The Hamilton Center is a long term, trusted partner of Beyond Homeless, Inc. Clients in the Beyond Homeless emergency shelter, as well as outreach clients can easily access ongoing mental health, substance abuse disorder treatment, and primary care services they would not otherwise receive. The Hamilton Center's Grace Mobile Clinic travels to Beyond Homeless, Inc every month to provide individuals and families in the Putnam County area opportunities to receive health screenings, referrals, and assistance with navigation of insurance and additional resources that may be available. Bringing the Grace Mobile Clinic in Greencastle on a monthly basis expands the Hamilton Center's reach in the county to individuals who might otherwise not have the opportunity to seek care or services. This partnership and the services offered are an essential part of our emergency shelter and outreach programs.

It is with great enthusiasm I support their desire to be a part of the State's demonstration program. Our organization is committed to becoming a referral source for Hamilton Center's CCBHC or even a Designated Collaborating Organization (DCO).

Should you need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

In appreciation,

Lea Durbin, Director  
Beyond Homeless Incorporated