

Hi, my name is Mario, the founder of Hope Housing for Humanity, a non-profit organization whose aim is to get individuals that suffer from alcohol, drug addiction and other mental health illnesses into safe, affordable housing. A place where individuals can start putting their lives back together and return as functioning members of society.

We are reaching out to the public for a few different reasons; first, we are asking for anyone who may have more than one property, and are in a position to, rent one of the properties below market value for the purpose of safe affordable housing. It is very important to rent below market value as Hope Housing for Humanity's target clients are on a fixed income and Hope Housing for Humanity would not be able to pick up the shortfall necessary to run the home.

Hope Housing for Humanity is a non-profit organization and lenders (banks) will not give a mortgage for this type of venture. Banks will, however, give the founder a mortgage to purchase a property, which would be used for safe affordable housing to get the ball rolling. This is something I, as the founder, would be willing to take on as I have been solely funding this project in every aspect and will continue to do so until Hope Housing for Humanity can stand on its own.

Secondly, we desperately need volunteers. Even if you can only spare one or two hours a week, or a month, anything would be a big help. Your time and ideas will further help Hope Housing for Humanity achieve its mission. Please visit our website hopehousingforhumanity.com for our full list of oppurtunities.

Once you are on our website, we ask you to <u>please support our online petition</u> that will be sent to all three levels of government; with enough support we can motivate our government to rethink the way safe affordable housing is done.

I am hoping to have an online store in the very near future and will be selling everything I have collected over my lifetime; art, both oil painting and water colours, books, stamps, coins, and many other items. The one thing I will miss most is my art, but I feel Hope Housing for Humanity is worth it.

As we are not accepting cash donations at this time, the online store will raise money that will go towards affordable housing for the individuals that suffer day to day. We welcome donations of items that can be sold on our online store to help raise funds for Hope Housing for Humanity.

Right now, I am doing everything on my own; this will change in the near future as there are a lot of like-minded people who also want to see others get the help they need. This is part one of our vision, please go to our website for part two, the revamping of high-rise cluster and crime ridden housing.

Sincerely,

M. Lamanna

Mario Lamanna, founder of Hope Housing for Humanity