



REUNIFICATION CENTER PROJECT STATUS UPDATE

DS-25-040

July 15, 2025

Background

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- In March 2021, the Killeen City Council issued a motion of direction for city staff to work with the City of Temple on a homelessness strategic plan that would include measurable goals and strategies and identify existing county-wide resources and service gaps.
- During the summer of 2021, both cities along with Bell County representatives, worked with the Center for Justice and Mental Health Partnerships to develop a county-wide needs assessment.
- The assessment identified strengths and gaps in crises response as it relates to mental health and homelessness.

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- ❑ An interlocal agreement between the cities and Bell County was executed in January 2022.
- ❑ Marbut and Associates was engaged in April 2022, to develop a county-wide strategic plan with recommendations for Killeen, Temple, and Bell County.
- ❑ In February 2023, the Homeless and Mental Health Strategic Plan known as, Operation Rise was adopted by council.

Strategic Plan Recommendations - Killeen

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Recommendations

- ❑ Create and develop the Arbor of Hope West (AOH-W) Campus.
- ❑ Support the Homeless-to-Housed Village.
- ❑ Integrate the Killeen Police Department's Community Engagement (KPD-CEU) Team with the Arbor of Hope West Campus operations.

Progress

- ❑ The City of Killeen has designated local and federal funds totaling **\$3.399 million** for the construction of the AOH-W (Reunification Center).
- ❑ The Department of Community Development issued a Notice of Funding Availability for HOME-ARP Non-Congregate Shelter in the amount **\$500,000** in February 2025. No proposals were submitted.
- ❑ CDBG has been approved for use to fund (1) Licensed Master Social Worker (LMSW) for FY's 24 and 25. FY26 pending.

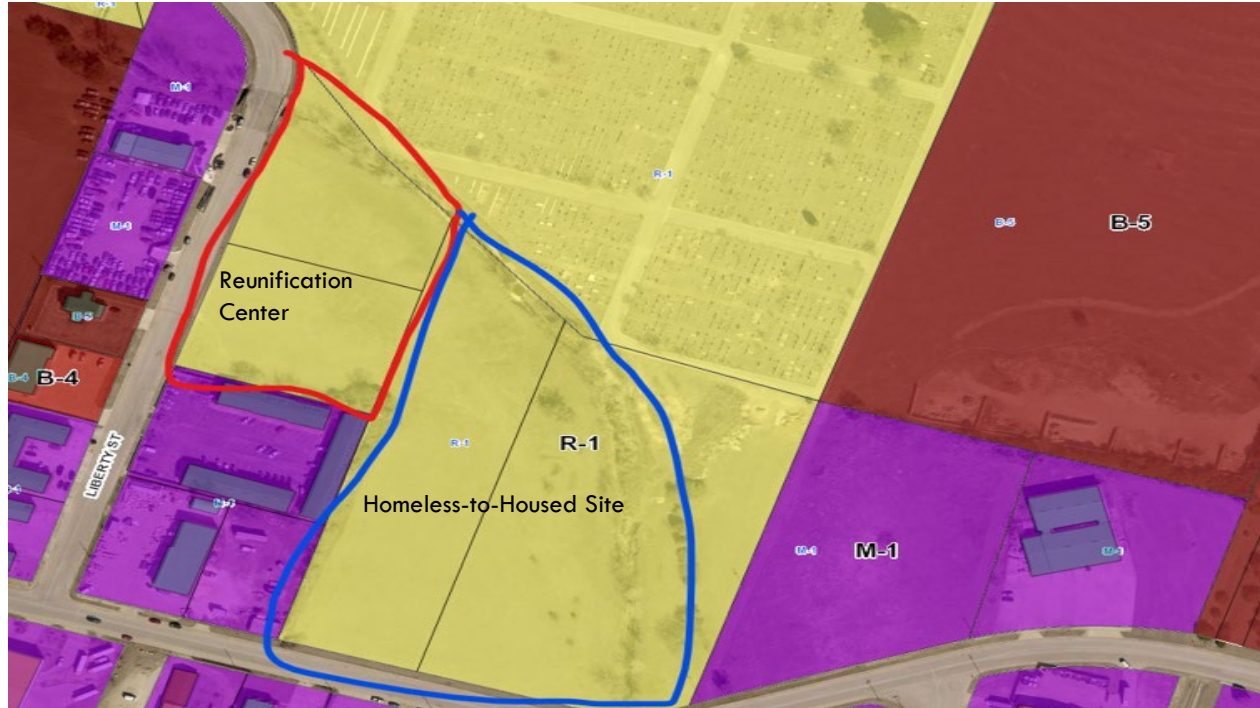
Killeen Reunification Center

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- ❑ Emergency shelter for unhoused individuals.
- ❑ Office Space for service providers including clinic triage services.
- ❑ Designated space for use as an emergency warming/cooling center.
- ❑ Mental health/substance abuse referrals.

Reunification Center 408 & 506 Liberty

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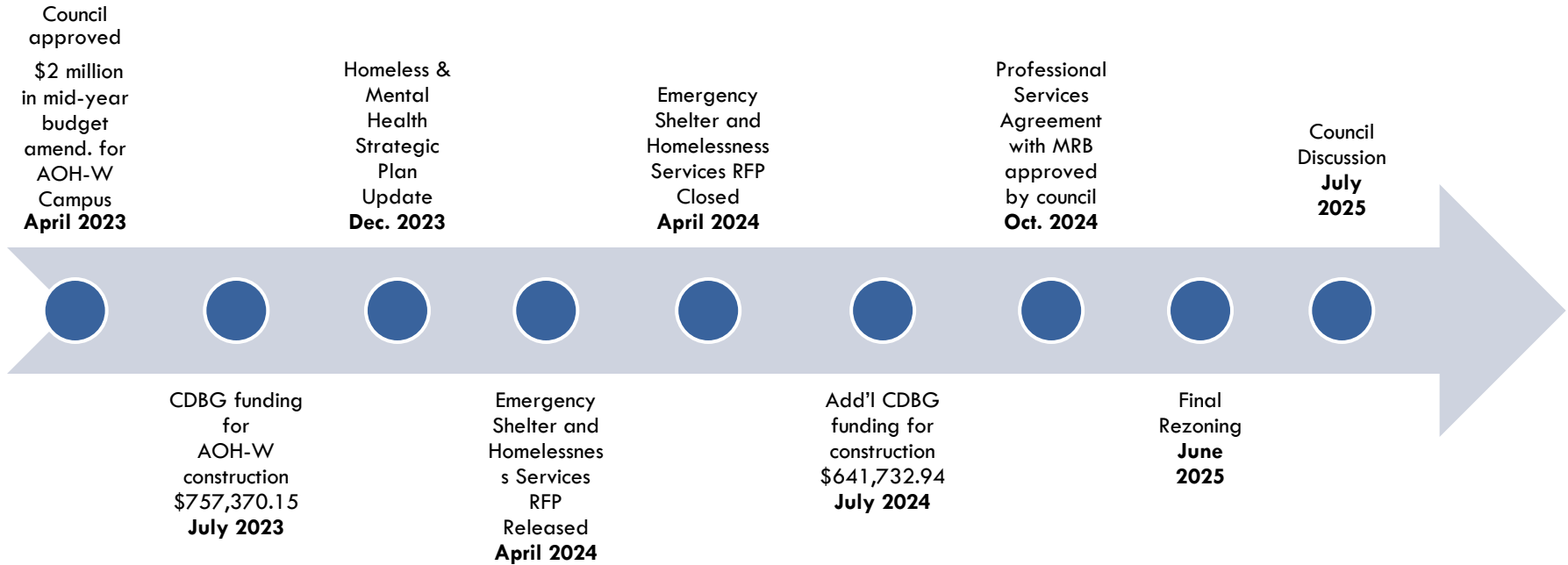
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City of Killeen Reunification Center

Reunification Center can be fully constructed in 3 months. Comprised of one (1) 11,550 sq. ft.

Reunification Center Project Progress

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Project Funding

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Funding Source	Budget	Expend./Commit.	Balance
CIP-Construction	\$1,800,000.00	\$ 119,140.00	\$1,680,860.00
CIP- D. & E.	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 70,855.62	\$ 129,144.38
CIP TOTAL	\$2,000,000.00	\$ 189,995.62	\$1,810,004.38
CDBG FY23	\$ 757,370.15	\$ 67,473.53	\$ 689,896.62
CDBG FY24	\$ 641,732.94	\$ 20,121.94	\$ 621,611.00
CDBG TOTAL	\$1,399,103.09	\$ 87,595.47	\$1,311,507.62
TOTAL PROJECT	\$3,399,103.09	\$ 277,591.09	\$3,121,512.00

Motion of Direction

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- ❑ Move forward with construction and proposal from Families in Crisis.
- ❑ Reissue RFP for homelessness shelter operations.
 - ▣ If RFP yields responsive proposal, move forward with construction of the facility.
 - ▣ If RFP does not yield responsive proposal, suspend project until further notice.
- ❑ Suspend project until further notice, reallocate funds to CIP and/or CDBG eligible project(s).
 - ▣ Reallocation of CDBG funds will require a Substantial Amendment.