



# Big Bend Homeless Coalition

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## HOPE Community Highlights

(HOPE = Housing Opportunities and Personal Empowerment)

### Program Overview

Part of the Coalition's mission is to identify gaps in service provision for people experiencing homelessness, and advocate for additional services to fill those gaps. In the late 1990's, we identified the need for a "one-stop shop" for clients to be able to access a seamless array of services to address the needs of people who are homeless. No other service providers were able to take on such a monumental task, and so BBHC began the planning for HOPE Community.

Since March 2005, HOPE Community has served persons experiencing homelessness with a high-quality, comprehensive seamless array of services and housing. HOPE Community offers in a single location a multitude of services needed to help individuals and families move from homelessness to independent living. **Our clients receive optimum levels of services and housing to help them achieve self-sufficiency.**

### Mission

HOPE Community provides services that facilitate the transition of adults and children from homelessness to self-sufficiency.

**Since the opening of HOPE, 883 clients have been served, including 238 children. Of the 710 adults and 210 children who have left the program, 65% have moved into permanent housing (June 2008 statistics). In FY 07/08, 399 people were served by HOPE Community. During this same year, 192 exited the program with 73% going into permanent housing.**

- Full Array of Services
  - Dorms, case management, cafeteria, on-site supportive services and linkage to mainstream and other offsite services
- Needs of Multiple Groups
  - At full build-out, will serve 164 people at one time – including single men, women, and families; estimate 328 per year
- Secured campus environment
- Coordinated with other community resources
- Comprehensive case management
  - Individual Service Plans developed and implemented
  - Resident responsibilities