



# Shelter Construction Update

City County Homeless Issues Committee  
September 15, 2025

# Important Dates for Approval of Plans

April 2022

- Authorized the use of 1904 Bartillon Dr as site for a permanent shelter facility

Aug 2022

- Approved the selection of Dimension IV-Madison and team to provide architectural and engineering design services.

Oct 2022

- Approved the selection of Porchlight Inc as the operator of the purpose built shelter.
- Project team began seeking community feedback on design and services (Trauma- Informed Design Assessment)

May 2023

- Series of three Public Information Meetings to provide update on design process

Sept 2023

- Series of four Public Information Meetings to provide update on design process, with floor plans

Dec 2023

- Approved design plans and authorized the Board of Public Works to advertise and receive bids

# Design Recommendations

Top 4 responses:

- A **warm safe** space that offers some **privacy**
- Ensure a safe space for **storage** of belongings
- Space for services focused on **housing** and **behavioral health**
- **Safety** features inside and outside of the building

# Design Considerations

- Sleeping pods for up to 250 clients
  - 5 sleeping areas supporting 30-50 beds
  - Smaller sleeping area for safety of clients
- Commercial kitchen
  - Brings food service in house vs catering
- Medical Respite Rooms
  - Opportunity for folks to be isolated

# Capital Budget Breakout (City, County, Federal)

## **Total Project Budget – \$27 Millon**

### ➤ City Sources:

- \$12M City Capital Budget (2021-2024)
- \$1M Land Acquisition Fund (2022)
- \$.5M City Energy Improvements (2024)

### ➤ County Sources:

- \$10.5M County Capital Budget (2021-2023)

### ➤ Federal Sources (pass through to City of Madison)

- \$2M Congressional Earmark (2023)
- \$1M Inflation Reduction Act (2024)



# RENDERING – VIEW FROM BARTILLON



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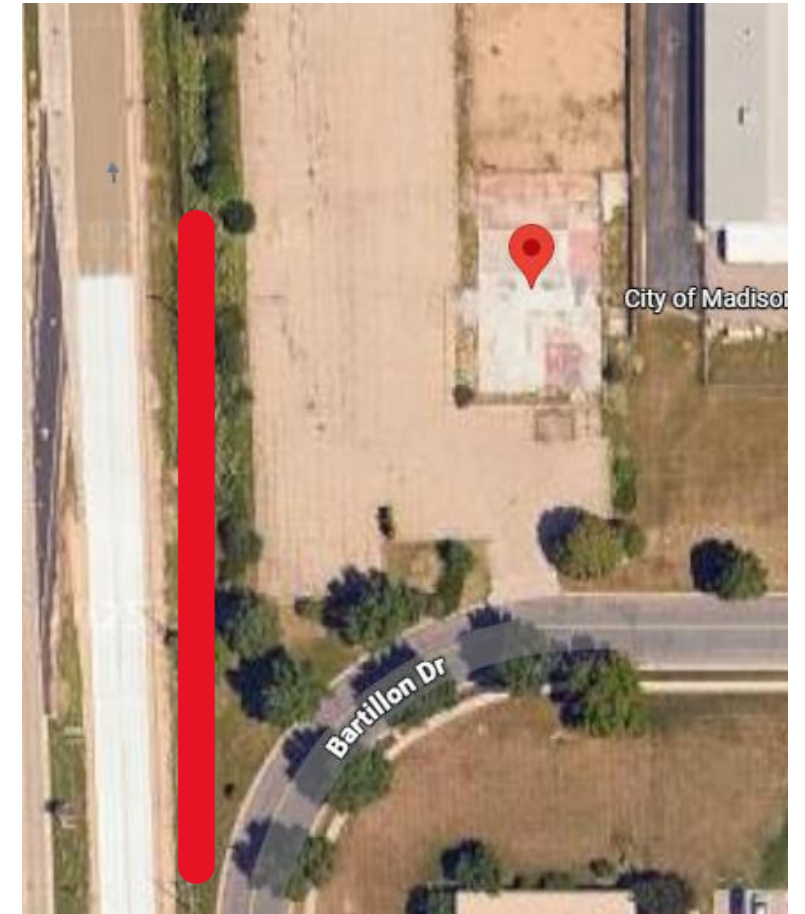
# Exterior View (from future Parking Lot)



# View from Bike Path (Stoughton Road)



Bike Path Location



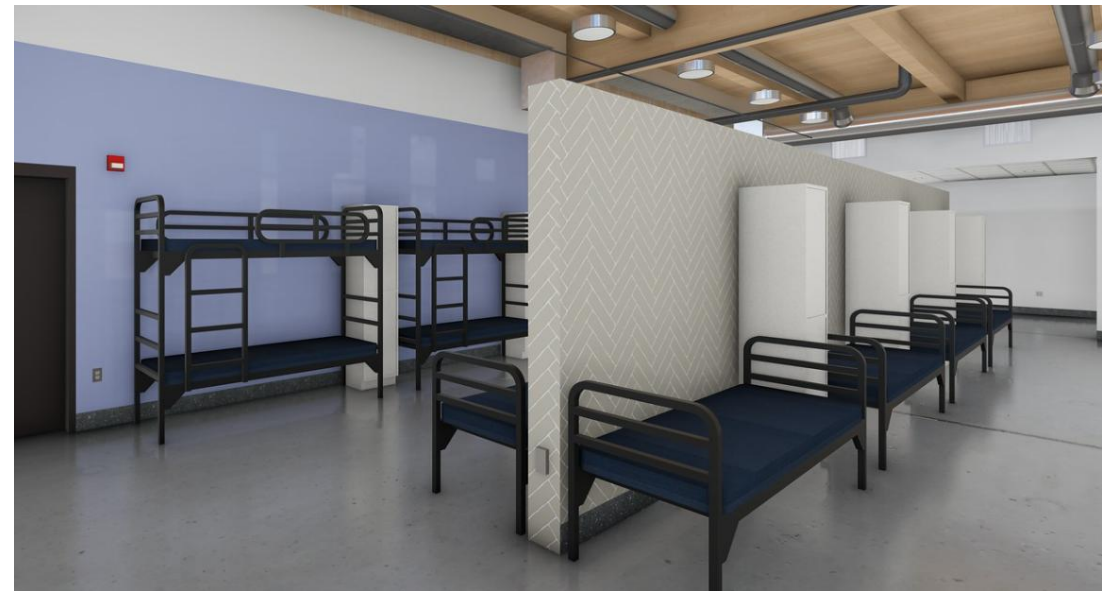
# First Floor Entry



# Second Floor Sleeping Pods



Rendering 03/14/24



# First Floor Kitchen View



# History: Church Basements as Men's Shelter



For 35 years, basement of Grace Episcopal Church; overflow space at St. John's Lutheran and First United Methodist

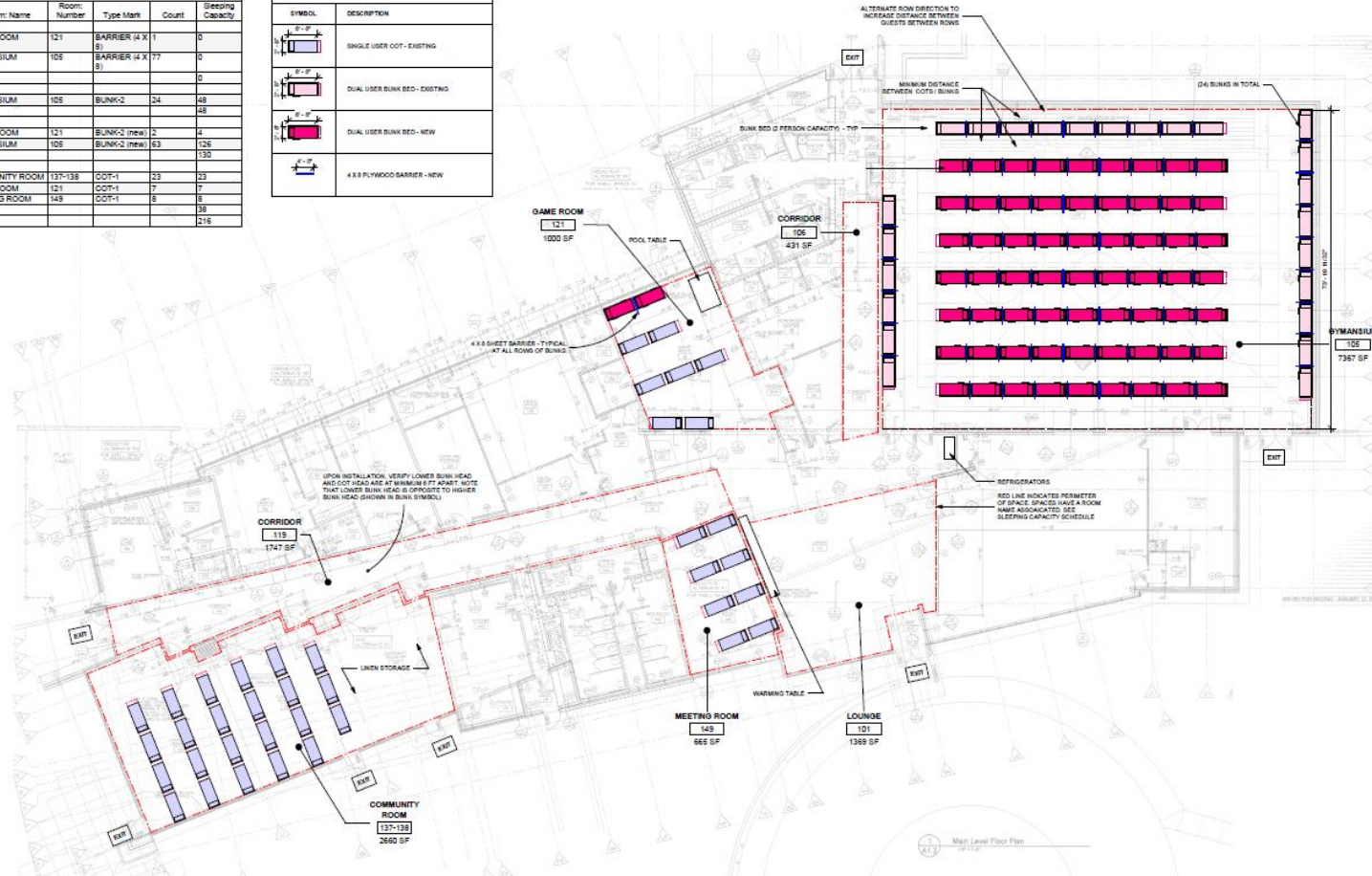
- Average: 92 guests per night
- High: 163 guests (11/14/19)

# Warner Park –Temporary Shelter

Operated March 30, 2020- December 15, 2020

| Room Name      | Room Number | Type/Mark       | Count | Sleeping Capacity |
|----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------|-------------------|
| GAME ROOM      | 121         | BARRIER (4 X 8) |       | 0                 |
| GYMNASIUM      | 105         | BARRIER (4 X 8) | 77    | 0                 |
|                |             |                 |       | 0                 |
| GYMNASIUM      | 105         | BUNK-2          | 34    | 48                |
|                |             |                 |       | 48                |
| GAME ROOM      | 121         | BUNK-2 (new)    | 2     | 4                 |
| GYMNASIUM      | 105         | BUNK-2 (new)    | 63    | 126               |
|                |             |                 |       | 130               |
| COMMUNITY ROOM | 137-138     | COT-1           | 23    | 23                |
| GALE LUNGEY    | 121         | COT-1           | 7     | 7                 |
| MEETING ROOM   | 149         | COT-1           | 8     | 8                 |
|                |             |                 |       | 38                |
|                |             |                 |       | 216               |

| FURNISHINGS LEGEND |                               |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| SYMBOL             | DESCRIPTION                   |
|                    | SINGLE USER COT - EXISTING    |
|                    | DUAL USER BUNK BED - EXISTING |
|                    | DUAL USER BUNK BED - NEW      |
|                    | 4 X 8 PLYWOOD BARRIER - NEW   |



- Average: 81 guests per night
- High: 110 guests\* (10/19/20)

\*Overlapped with  
Vulnerable Population  
Hotel program, through  
Dane County



# Zeier Road- Temp Shelter Operating October 2022- Present Day



2023

- Average: 224 guests per night
- High: 299 guests (12/19/23)

2024

- Average: 279 guests per night
- High: 347 guests (1/22/24 and 12/11/24)

2025 (through June)

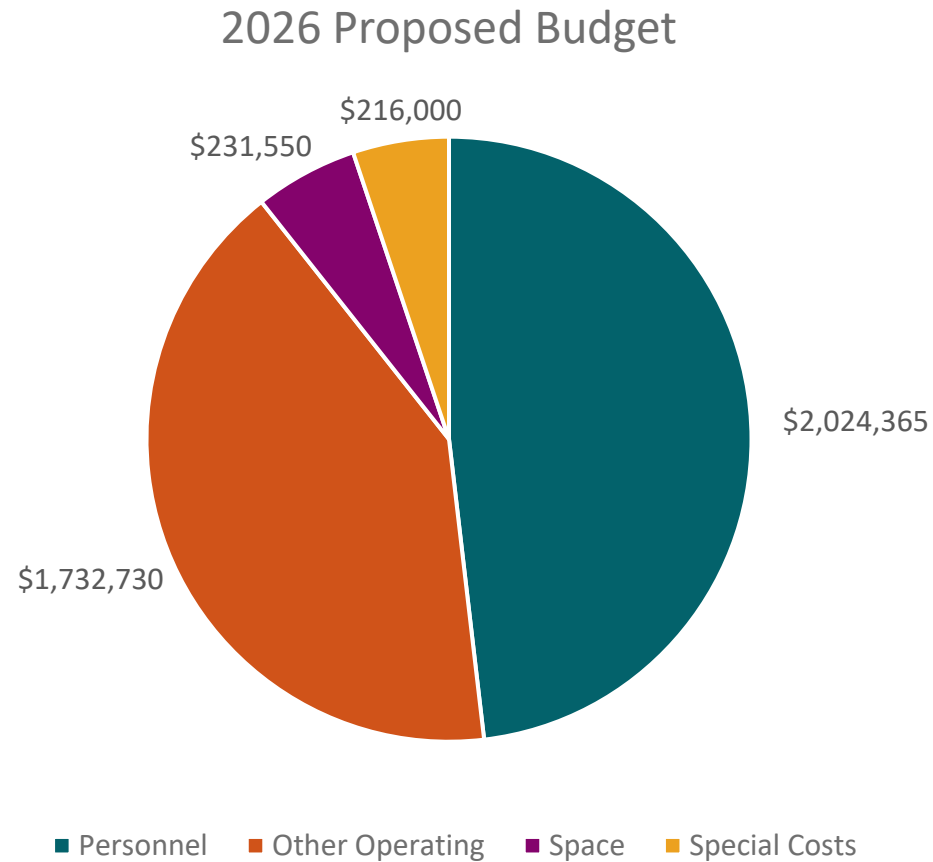
- Average: 304 guests per night
- High: 363 guests (2/17/25)

# Capacity Considerations

- Best Practices from Other Cities
- Safety for Shelter Users & Staff
- Operation Costs
- Support for Diversion and Prevention Strategies
- Development of Housing Units, targeted to unhoused population

# 24/7 Proposed Shelter Budget

Total \$4,204,645



# Next Steps

## Opening in Spring 2026

- Naming the building
- City and County Budget Process
- Community Outreach