



Safe Passage
No one deserves to be abused.

| NEW BEGINNINGS

In the Beginning...

Over the years, Safe Passage has continued to grow and expand, adding services and programs to meet the complex needs of all survivors who reach out for help.



1970s

DeKalb County community members open their homes for victims of domestic violence seeking safety

1981

Safe Passage is founded to provide shelter and professional support for victims

1990s

Offender Intervention services added to focus on ending violence at its source

2003

Sexual assault crisis center services added to better support survivors and prevent violence in DeKalb County

Currently...

over
3X
THE SIZE

CURRENT Square Footage:

10,403

NEW Square Footage:

42,000

CURRENT Shelter



NEW Building



CURRENT Shelter



NEW Building



OCCUPANCY

Current Shelter



New Building



Shelter | Counseling | Advocacy

- Free and confidential services are available for survivors 24/7
- Shelter can hold 25 clients in 5 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms



On average Safe Passage receives 60% more requests for shelter than available space each month.



Building New Beginnings

A new shelter will allow us to care for all survivors and their families who come to our doors seeking life-saving support.



Timeline:

2016



Safe Passage began the search
for a new location

2019



217 Franklin Street purchased
with funding from a generous
community donor.

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Pappas Development hired as
project contractor

**1/29
2021**



Demolition of previous
building competed

**7/28
2021**



City of DeKalb Zoning and
City Council approve final site
plan

Budget:

Building Costs: \$7,390,250

**Total Budget, including furnishing,
heating, cooling, and maintenance:
\$10,500,000 (estimate)**



Funding Partners:

Significant Funding Partners:

Area Foundations, Service Companies, Funding Institutions, Corporations

- Federal and State Funding for New Infrastructure
- Community Gifts



Funding committed before initiating a loan for building.

The Need Exists



Safe Passage provides critical services that create a safer DeKalb County and quite-literally save lives.

- Emergency shelter and long-term housing for victims and children fleeing violence
- Counseling for children and adults who have experienced abuse and sexual assault
- Legal and medical support
- 24/7 crisis support for victims, community members, and professionals
- K-12 Education, University Partnerships, and Professional Training

Domestic and sexual violence are epidemic in our community and around the nation. Safe Passage staff work tirelessly to keep victims safe and prevent future violence.

By investing in our “**Building New Beginnings**” campaign, you are investing in hope, a more healing environment, and a safer future for every victim who passes through our door.

Together we can make a difference!



Thank you!



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