Family Guidance Adds Services Downtown to Meet Growing Demand for More Mental Health Services

During the past ten years, Family Guidance has seen the overall number of consumers served triple, and too often, some placed on a waiting list. Next year, Family Guidance will begin renovating our downtown location in St. Joseph at 9th and Felix. After careful study, it was decided that rather than build a new facility or buy an existing one, the best option would be to renovate an existing 20,000 square foot property in the downtown area. The renovation will mean that Family Guidance Center joins with the community in efforts to revitalize the downtown district. It also means that services will remain easily accessible for consumers.

This building renovation will also provide a beneficial change to the way services are provided. A larger building will mean that Family Guidance will accommodate more consumers and, hopefully, eliminate the need for a waiting list for services. It also means that our team will be able to more fully integrate the services we provide. For example, a significant number of consumers with addiction issues also have physical or mental health concerns – and more space means that all of these services can be offered in a single location.

These changes will help meet a growing demand for more behavioral health services and they also mean a more streamlined, improved delivery of these services. The coming year promises to bring many positive changes for the individuals and families served by Family Guidance Center. We’re proud to be on the forefront of integrated, individualized options for people of all walks of life that are living with mental illness or addiction.

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4,450 individuals and families were served last year

REAL PEOPLE, REAL SOLUTIONS, REAL HOPE.

By integrating mental health, physical health and community resources in a coordinated approach, Family Guidance Center is helping people find real solutions for a bright future. Together, we are helping people who are friends, parents, coworkers and community leaders see that a diagnosis of a mental illness or substance use disorder doesn’t define who they are.

Our Mission
Family Guidance Center exists to help individuals and families lead healthier, more productive lives by providing an array of health, social and behavioral health services.

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