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# **Cambridge nonprofit opens new housing facility**

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[Heading Home](#) (formerly Shelter Inc.) announced Wednesday it is opening a new permanent housing program for the homeless on Concord Avenue in Cambridge.

Duley House -- named after former, longtime executive director Susan Duley -- will provide permanent housing for 14 individuals who have been homeless on the streets and shelters of Cambridge for significant periods of time. It is opening June 2.

The \$2 million project was supported by private and public donations. The nonprofit continues to raise money from private sources in order to support the services.

While Heading Home will own and operate the program, it partnered with several public agencies in developing the project. Those agencies include Mass Housing, the Cambridge Department of Community Development, the Cambridge Historical Commission, the Cambridge Housing Authority and the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development.

"This kind of program represents a permanent solution to ending homelessness in our communities," said Tom Lorello, Heading Home's executive director, in a statement. "We have consistently found that when provided with housing in conjunction with intensive support services, people get housed, they stay housed, and their lives begin to improve in ways that would not have been possible when they were on the street and preoccupied with day to day survival."

Heading Home has been providing residential programs, supportive services and permanent housing opportunities for homeless families and individuals in Greater Boston since 1974.