

# Beacon of Light & Resilience

Closing the emergency safety gap for families in crisis. From immediate shelter to long-term triumph.

## Our Vision & The Mission

Providing safe nights today to restore permanent stability tomorrow.

## Guided by Lived Experience



### Founder Patsy Arrechea

As a survivor of domestic violence and homelessness, Patsy founded this mission to be the bridge she never had. She understands that safety cannot wait for paperwork.

*"When the system says 'No' because shelters are full, we are the 'Yes' that keeps families alive."*

## The Greater Boston Crisis

# 47%

### Unmet Shelter Requests

### A System at Capacity

On any given day, nearly half of those seeking emergency domestic violence shelter in Massachusetts are turned away due to lack of space.

**The Gap:** The most dangerous time is the first 72 hours. Without immediate placement, victims are forced to return to abusers.

## The Safe Nights Pilot

### Immediate Crisis Housing

We partner with regional hotels to provide instant 1–3 night stays for survivors and their children.

- **Operational Agility:** Vouchers issued in under 4 hours.
- **Safety First:** Secure, confidential locations.
- **Mental Space:** Room to breathe and plan without immediate threat.

This pilot serves as the non-negotiable safety net while long-term shelter beds are sourced.



## The 10 Empowerment Pillars

## A sequential framework for total independence.

# The 10 Empowerment Pillars

### 1. Safe Stays

Emergency hotel fund for crisis housing.

### 2. Wellness

Connection to trauma-informed care.

### 3. Prevention

Teen healthy relationship workshops.

### 4. Education

Personal development and skill tracks.

### 5. Financial

Budgeting and asset building literacy.

### 6. Advocacy

Legal and court navigation support.

### 7. Housing

Tracking leads for permanent keys.

### 8. Employment

Vocational access and entry.

### 9. Community

Peer frameworks to end isolation.

### 10. Growth

Leadership and voice training.

# Purpose of Impact Tiers

## Clear Action

Tiers move us from "general donations" to "direct

## Reliable Supply

Recurring monthly tiers allow us to guarantee hotel

...tiers move us from general donations to direct funding." When an investor funds a tier, they are purchasing a specific unit of safety.

**Removes Friction:** Clear entry points allow for instant donor decision-making during crisis moments.

...recurring monthly tiers allow us to guarantee hotel room blocks in advance. This ensures we never have to wait for a bed to open up.

**Predictability:** Creates a "Resilience Fund" that hot partners can rely on for long-term collaboration.

## The Community Hub

### The "Beacon Star" System

We reward engagement. Attendees of our resource events earn **Beacon Stars**, redeemable for rewards and recognition. This fosters a self-sustaining ecosystem of mutual aid.

**Connect, Learn, and Earn:** We don't just provide services; we build a community that values progress.



# Join Us.

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