

# SAVE THE SOLDIERS HOME PRESERVATION PROJECT

*What does the rehabilitation entail?*

The Milwaukee VA Soldiers Home Historic District (Soldiers Home) on the grounds of the Clement J. Zablocki VA Medical Center is a National Historic Landmark District, and one of Milwaukee's most important historic assets.

As part of an Enhanced Use Lease (EUL) agreement with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), The Alexander Company and the Housing Authority of the City of Milwaukee are leading a team that has been chosen by the VA to restore and rehabilitate six of the District's buildings. Under the proposal, the buildings will be renovated to include a total of 101 supportive housing units for veterans and their families who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.

## WHAT DOES THE CURRENT PROPOSAL INCLUDE?

- Adaptive reuse of six historic buildings
- Preservation of interior and exterior historic features
- 101 housing units for veterans and their families who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless
- Community space for veterans
- On-site veteran supportive services

## PROJECT COST

\$40 Million. Proposed funding sources include: Low Income Housing Tax Credits, Federal and State Historic Tax Credits, grants, fundraising and other soft financing options.

## PROJECT PARTNERS

- **The Alexander Company:** Project Developer
- **The Housing Authority of the City of Milwaukee:** Facility Operator
- **Center for Veterans Issues:** Supportive Resident Service Provider
- **Uihlein/Wilson - Ramlow/Stein:** Architect for Old Main (Building 2) and the duplexes (Buildings 14, 18, 19 and 62)
- **The Alexander Company:** Architect for the Administration Building (Building 1)
- **JP Cullen:** General Contractor

## WHAT SERVICES WILL BE AVAILABLE TO VETERANS?

- Case management
- Educational training and employment assistance
- Benefits assistance
- Temporary financial assistance
- Peer-to-peer counseling
- Recreational activities
- Transportation assistance
- Independent living skills training, including: cleaning, meal planning and preparation, laundry and personal finance
- Wellness programs
- Sobriety maintenance
- Nutritional support
- Outpatient clinical referrals
- Referrals to partner organizations