



St. Vincent de Paul
LOUISVILLE

November 14, 2022

To Whom it May Concern-

This letter is to inform you of a request to modify the existing Conditional Use Permit for the property located at, 431 E St. Catherine Street Louisville KY 40203. We are seeking approval to increase the current occupancy restriction set at 30 occupants, to allow for up to 50 occupants.

St. Vincent de Paul Louisville has dedicated the building at this address as a Transitional Housing project to serve both families and singles who are homeless. It is a secure facility which is staffed 24/7/365. Because it serves both singles and families of various sizes, it has flexible accommodation such that the 18 bedrooms can provide occupancy for up to 50 beds/individuals. The Fire Department advised us in 2016 that 50 beds was an appropriate residential capacity for this building, in addition to staffing. All households have privacy within the facility; it is not congregate housing. All bathrooms are also private, not congregate. It is able to serve single women, single men, or households of any composition. The length of participation in this project is temporary, with the goal being for participants to move into their own permanent housing within 3-6 months. All sleeping rooms will meet the minimum limitations as established in LMCO 156.

Since this project's inception in late 2020, we have only seen the need for these services grow. We rarely reach the maximum capacity of 50 beds because we rarely house multiple large families, but we are seeking the added capacity to do so, to be responsive to the needs of the community. We see this as a matter of equity and fair housing; we would not want to turn away a large family where we had enough beds and space but not permission through a Conditional Use Permit to go beyond 30 residents.

Please honor our request to increase the limit to 50 residents.

Sincerely,

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