



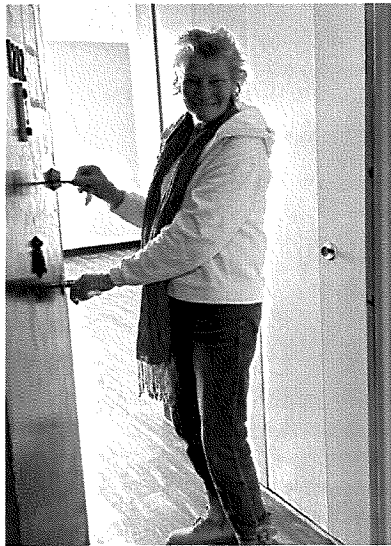
RESTORE UP'S FUNDING

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WHO WE ARE

Uniting Partners (UP) for Women and Children is Louisville's only women-specific day shelter — providing safe daytime refuge, case management, rapid rehousing, and homeless prevention services for eight years. Our Day Shelter is an essential landing place for Metro's HEART outreach team and a direct pipeline to Home for Good.

2,179 Women & children served <i>FY2025</i>	100–130 Women served every day <i>UP is open</i>	+13% Attendance increase <i>April 2026 vs. prior year</i>
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WHO WE SERVE

As the number of women experiencing homelessness rises nationally, the need for UP's services is growing. UP is serving more older adults than ever, with a 1400% increase in women over 80 during the past year.

"Ms. R." received the keys to her new home on her 63rd birthday — February 20, 2026. After three years of homelessness and being cited for camping under the Safer Kentucky Act, Ms. R. found the help she needed. UP's housing case manager provided Ms. R. the supportive services to finally get housed — just before she had to begin breathing treatments at home. Ms. R. still visits UP weekly for continued supportive services to help her maintain stably housed.

THE PROBLEM

The proposed FY27 budget cuts UP's Metro funding by 50% — from \$311,000 to \$155,700 — an 11% cut to our overall operating budget. It eliminates the EAF grant that funds our Rapid Rehousing case manager and guts the CDBG funding that keeps our shelter staffed and open. Without restoration, UP will be forced into layoffs and service reductions.

Grant	FY26	FY27 Proposed	Change
CDBG — Day Shelter Operations	\$126,800	\$28,000	-78%
ESG — Rapid Rehousing	\$110,800	\$82,300	-26%
EAF — Case Management & Support	\$73,400	— (not awarded)	-100%
OSS Non-Competitive — Day Shelter	—	\$45,400 (new)	
TOTAL	\$311,000	\$155,700	-50%

THE SOLUTION

Increase UP's OSS Non-Competitive line item by \$100,000 — from \$45,400 to \$145,400. This is funding that was working. One adjustment. That is all it takes to maintain the public services this city depends on.

THE COST \$100,000 <i>One adjustment. Thousands of women served.</i>	THE ROI Compare \$100,000 to the cost of a single ER visit, a police crisis response, or a night in a corrections facility. Cutting UP doesn't save money. It shifts costs to the rest of the system.
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"Women and children need safe shelter. Safe shelter saves lives. Please restore UP's funding."