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Catholic Charities Grand Opening of Beatriz and Ed Schweitzer Haven this Friday, 7/30



Spokane, Wash., July 29, 2021 – Catholic Charities is thrilled to announce its grand opening and dedication of Beatriz and Ed Schweitzer Haven on Friday, July 30. Named in honor of Beatriz and Ed Schweitzer of Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories, this 50-unit permanent supportive housing complex combines affordable housing assistance with support services to address the needs of people exiting chronic homelessness. Ed and Beatriz have been amazing guardian angels for the poor and vulnerable for many years and have done a great deal to help the cause of serving those in need throughout Eastern Washington. The comprehensive supportive services are designed to help participants build independent living and tenancy skills. Services include (but are not limited to) case management, substance abuse counseling, mental health counseling, and assistance in locating and maintaining employment.

The grand opening will be held on Friday, July 30, from 10 am-12 pm at 9 E. 1st Avenue, Spokane, WA 99202. The blessing and dedication will be followed by a brief program, reception, and building tours. Parking is limited, and carpooling is encouraged.

Brian, a Schweitzer Haven resident, stated, “having an actual foundation and stability still is an amazing thing to realize every day when I wake up.” Schweitzer Haven is Catholic Charities 15th tax credit property completed, marking over 700 total Catholic Charities units of new housing in Eastern Washington exclusively for individuals and families experiencing homelessness since 2010. Later this year, in partnership with Gonzaga Preparatory School and Gonzaga University, Catholic Charities will open Gonzaga Family Haven, a 73 unit affordable housing complex for families.

About Catholic Charities Eastern Washington

Catholic Charities Eastern Washington affirms the dignity of every person, partnering with parishes and the greater community to serve and advocate for those who are vulnerable, bringing stability and hope to people throughout Eastern Washington.