



Beans & Bread Renovation & Addition Project Description

Project Background

The renovation and addition project was conceived in response to recommendation by Baltimore City's Task Force on Homelessness calling for comprehensive day resource centers for the homeless located throughout the city.

- **Fall 2005:** Initial project proposal developed, presented to Douglass Place Community Association.
- **Fall 2007:** Adjoining warehouse property acquired; building design revised and presented to Douglass Place Community Association.
- **Fall 2008:** 70% fundraising milestone achieved; design modifications completed in response to community feedback.
- **Winter/Spring 2009:** Presentations made to Fells Point Preservation Society, Fells Point Main Street, Inc. & immediate neighbors; building design modification made in response to neighbor feedback; mailing of information packet to community residents; community meeting held.

Project Goal

To improve the Beans and Bread Center facility in order to better serve existing clientele and enable them to achieve greater stability, self-sufficiency, permanent housing, and an improved quality of life.

Project Objectives

To better accommodate our existing clients seeking services from the day resource program by:

- Adding substantial indoor space to move the meal line queue inside and create a large daytime resource area and waiting room;
- Providing more comprehensive services, including limited shower and laundry services ;
- Improving access for people with disabilities;
- Providing adequate and appropriate office space for existing staff and visiting partner agencies.