



Presentation to City of Summit

Our House, Inc.
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The mission of Our House, Inc. is to provide healthy, stimulating and inclusive environments for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities through community residences, employment services, innovative day programs, social opportunities and related support services designed to help them achieve their full potential for living meaningful and productive lives.



Founded in 1980 by a mom who wanted more for her daughter, Lillian, Our House's first home opened on Greenfield Avenue, Summit.



The Problem:

- A number of residents who live near the downtown area, are in need of housing that will allow them to age in place.
- You know many of these residents because you see them often.
- We can develop a house for them in Summit or the surrounding areas but that would take them out of the place that they call home.
- Our House's mission is to be person centered and community focused.



The Solution and Challenges Presented

- Develop a 4 person group home for these residents with two additional apartments for independent living that is:
 - Accessible on the first floor to allow for aging in place
 - Within walking distance to town
 - Parking for 4 vehicles (two staff personal vehicles and two agency vehicles)
- Challenges:
 - Finding property that is within walking distance to Downtown Summit – and one that is affordable



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Q&A



