



Foundation Supports Residential Recovery Program Blocks from its Office

Santa Monica, CA: August, 2011: The William H. Hannon Foundation has made its first grant to the CLARE Foundation in Santa Monica. The \$5,000 grant will go to support CLARE's residential programs for women, providing a safe, compassionate and supportive drug- and alcohol- free environment in which to foster self sufficiency, self worth and dignity, with the goal of ultimately breaking the cycle of addiction. The residential program site is just blocks from the Foundation's office in Santa Monica.

CLARE has its origins in the late 1960s when a group of concerned recovered alcoholics began bringing food, blankets and the message of recovery to homeless alcoholics gathering on the beaches of Santa Monica and Venice. Founded in 1970, CLARE has since evolved into an organization with 11 comprehensive outpatient and residential programs, ranging from initial detoxification to outreach to at-risk teens in local schools.

"After touring CLARE's remarkable facility, I encouraged their Executive Director to apply for a grant. I was genuinely impressed with CLARE's success in helping people, especially women, recover from addiction," said Kathleen Hannon Aikenhead, President of the William H. Hannon Foundation.