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Shelter helps homeless adults return to independent living Ozanam Manor hosting special open house

PHOENIX — Everyone stumbles in life and sometimes they need a hand getting back on their feet. For a vulnerable segment of the homeless population — the disabled adults and those older than 50 — that helping hand comes from St. Vincent de Paul's Ozanam Manor transitional shelter, 1730 E. Monroe St.

With assistance from professional case managers, shelter staff members, mentors, and each other, the residents develop a written plan to achieve their goals. They receive job skills development, resource referrals, group activities and mentoring in a stable community environment. Last year, more than 145 people received help from Ozanam Manor.

Learn more about Ozanam Manor's residents and services during an open house on Saturday, March 21, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Residents will be on hand to share their stories and Director Mike Bell — a leading expert on homelessness — will be available to discuss the shelter's programs.

Who: Ozanam Manor transitional shelter

What: Special Open House

When: Saturday, March 21, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. with lunch at 12:30 p.m.

Where: 1730 E. Monroe St., Phoenix

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The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a non-profit organization, dedicated to serving the poor and providing others with the opportunity to serve. Programs include services for the homeless, medical/dental care for the working poor, five charity dining rooms, seven thrift stores, a transitional housing shelter and general assistance for individuals in need.