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Work to begin on Abby's House shelter renovation



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Work is set to begin Tuesday on renovation of the Abby's House shelter. Abby's House, a Worcester nonprofit that provides shelter, housing, and advocacy for women with and without children, received funding from the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities and the City of Worcester to [renovate its existing shelter on Crown Street](#).

"This groundbreaking ceremony represents more than the construction of a building; it symbolizes our community's collective commitment to provide hope and support to those in crisis. We are deeply grateful for the support of our donors, volunteers, and partners who have made this project possible," Abby's House executive director [Julie Orozco](#) said in a Thursday press release.

The nonprofit previously said the renovation would take the shelter from a nine-bed congregate shelter to a non-congregate shelter with 13 rooms and 18 beds. Non-congregate shelters afford individuals more privacy in their living quarters. Groundbreaking on the renovation will be Oct. 24, according to the press release.

Abby's House [received a \\$120,000 grant from the Health Foundation of Central Massachusetts](#) on Tuesday for accessibility projects related to the renovation.