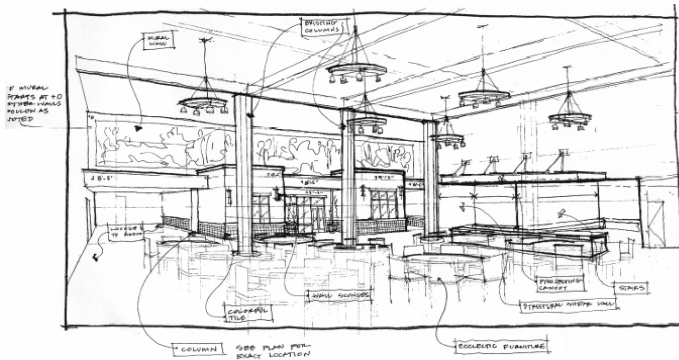


PROJECT HOME 'Opening Doors, Building Dreams'



Generosity Outside of the Box

The Downtown Women's Center's, *Project Home*, is a relocation and expansion effort scheduled to open in the Spring of 2010. Project Home will increase both the services and housing currently being provided to homeless women at DWC's current location on Los Angeles Street in Skid Row. DWC is delighted to announce the partnership with a wonderful interior design resource!

Nest Feathers will donate their time and expertise to create a warm, home-like atmosphere in each of the community and residential spaces by creating the design concepts, soliciting donations, and installing all of the furnishings of *Project Home*.

Nest Feathers, a non-profit interior design organization of volunteer professionals and students from local colleges, will be collaborating with DWC over the next two years to create a warm living environment for homeless and formerly homeless women who will call DWC's new site home.

Since 2003, **Nest Feathers** director Karen Hickey and founder Leslie Jordan have been committed to galvanizing the resources of the interior design community to create beautiful spaces for people who wouldn't normally receive professional design services. This 'Design by Donation' approach used on all of their projects has become their motto. Through this commitment they have been able to connect communities and change lives of people and families in transition.

On February 20th, Nest Feathers hosted the first in a series of conceptual design workshops with current volunteers and is moving forward. As you know, a project of this magnitude requires great community involvement. Therefore the design process is structured to allow for additional volunteers to join the project at any point.

As a design by donation project Nest Feathers and DWC needs both your volunteer support as well as support in acquiring the furnishings for *Project Home*. Design contributions as well as In-kind donations will help achieve the design concepts while maintaining DWC's mission to provide access to vital support services to empower homeless women in working towards self-sufficiency.

DWC and Nest Feathers are currently in need of additional design volunteers, furniture donations and storage space for incoming furniture donations. If you are able to donate, wish to volunteer or have any other questions; please call Karen Hickey, Nest Feathers Director, at 310.489.0243 or karen_hickey@sbcglobal.net.