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University of Colorado Student Union

Legislative Council

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A Resolution Resolution History

The Boulder shelter for the homeless is currently located at 4645 **N. Broadway. The** shelter has outgrown the current facility, where it has operated since 1987, and now seeks to relocate to 777 Broadway. The new location will allow the shelter to meet its current demand and expand its transition program - which has helped more than 150 men and women move into independent housing since the program's inception in 1996. The move will make the facility eligible to receive federal funds, which the shelter is denied in its current capacity. The shelter is largely supported through volunteers - 60 percent of who are students at the University of Colorado at Boulder. Such volunteers are a key reason why the shelter is so successful. The current facility offers overnight emergency shelter, every year from October through April, for up to 108 men and women. The transition program helps people find employment, build a secure financial base, and eventually move into independent housing and out of the homeless lifestyle. The transition program operates year-round to guarantee clients shelter while they work towards self-sufficiency.

Resolution Summary

Whereas: the University of Colorado is committed to the mission of providing people with the basic necessities of life, upholding the idea that the community in which we live is responsible for serving such a purpose, and

Whereas: the Student Union believes that the shelter's move into the University's immediate community has the potential to benefit not only the homeless community, but also the student body and surrounding residents as well, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the University of Colorado Student Union Legislative Council THAT:

Section 1: the University of Colorado Student Union supports the homeless shelter's **relocation** to 777 Broadway,

Section 2: the Student Union is committed to fostering awareness and a co-operative spirit between the student body and the Boulder Shelter for the Homeless,

Section 3: This resolution takes effect upon passage.

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