# REBUILDING LIVES & BUSINESSES A FUNDRAISING PARTNERSHIP CHALLENGE





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## REBUILDING LIVES & BUSINESSES THE REBOUND CHALLENGE

- Last fall, A Safe Haven and the Small Business Advocacy Council (SBAC) launched the Rebuilding Lives and Businesses Challenge to help rebuild lives and advocate for struggling businesses, successfully raising over \$110,000 together.
- These funds helped:
  - The SBAC formulate and advocate for policies supporting the small business community and struggling small businesses;
  - A Safe Haven help over 1,0000 formerly homeless individuals, and others who had lost their jobs due to COVID-19, get placed into jobs with small businesses.
- This innovative, strategic, and powerful partnership has been fueled by our incredible supporters and communities.
- Your support will help A Safe Haven continue providing crucial services to their homeless clients and power the SBAC's fight for small businesses and local communities.



# Rebuilding Lives & Businesses 2020



#### **MISSION**

pandemic.

- \$100,000



The Rebound Challenge will foster the rebound of our state's homeless population and our small businesses. These two groups are among those which have been hit hardest by the





## The SBAC Mission

We believe a robust and thriving small business community is crucial to the success of our economy. The SBAC has spent the last decade galvanizing small business advocates and fighting for policies that support small businesses and local communities. The SBAC's nonpartisan, policy-driven approach are key ingredient to its success.

The SBAC has been fighting for small businesses communities and local throughout the pandemic.

-2021 Small Business Profile, US Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy, Illinois 2021 -GoDaddy, Venture Forward, "Market Survey Summary, Chicago, IL", September 2021

### PUBLIC WAY USE PERMITS & SIDEWALK SIGNS

The SBAC has fought to eliminate the need for City Council to approve sign and other public way use permits for years. On July 21st, an ordinance was passed which eliminates this requirement for the vast majority of small businesses, thereby reducing the time it takes to obtain a sign permit. The SBAC has also pushed to legalize sidewalk signs. This summer an ordinance was finally passed which makes sidewalk signs legal in March of 2022 as long as they comply with appropriate regulations.



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The pandemic has prompted many individuals to launch or focus on their home-based businesses. It has also prompted businesses to adopt a work from home or hybrid culture. The SBAC worked to pass an ordinance that expanded the amount of space a business owner can utilize and assisted home-based businesses in other ways.

The SBAC sprang into action when the deductibility of PPP loans was called into question. The SBAC brought together stakeholders across Illinois to speak with a strong and unified voice about how important being able to deduct these loans were to small businesses. The SBAC facilitated action calls and engaged on this issue until Section 276 of The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 amended the original CARES Act to clarify that PPP loans are in fact tax-deductible. This allowed small businesses to retain badly-needed capital.

The SBAC advocated to ensure that American Rescue Plan Act funds were allocated for small businesses struggling to recover from the pandemic. Illinois policymakers placed \$250 million into the Back to Business grant program. That was a good start. However, the SBAC is advocating that politicians allocate more of the over \$8 billion in ARPA funding for small businesses struggling to recover from the pandemic.



#### **2021 Illinois Small Business Statistics**

- business and comprises roughly 44.8% of Illinois employees.
- with 43% of these chambers across the entire state of Illinois.



### **HOME BASED BUSINESSES**

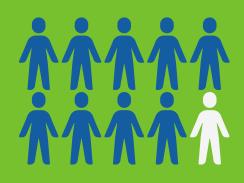
### **TAX DEDUCTIBILITY OF PPP LOANS**

### **GRANTS FOR STRUGGLING SMALL BUSINESSES**

• There are 1.2 million small businesses in the state of Illinois. That's 99.6% of Illinois

• There are 301 chambers of commerce in the state of Illinois. The SBAC actively engages

2.5 million small business employees in Illinois





## **Connecting the** Dots

At A Safe Haven, you are giving a gift that contributes to empowering, transforming, and rebuilding the lives of individuals, families and communities in crisis long term. Give the gift to support an alternative system that is more responsible, accountable and intentionally designed to address and solve the root causes of poverty for almost anyone who finds themselves in crisis – long-term.

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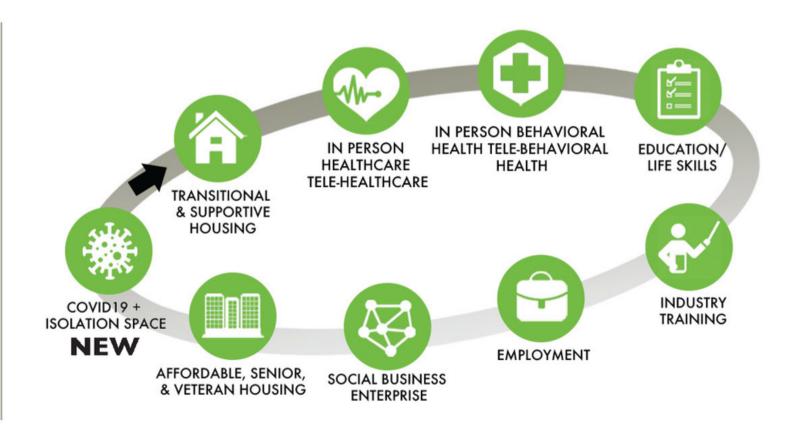


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To Prevent, Address and End Homelessness



### Where Your Donations Go





## **ASH Mission**

A Safe Haven Foundation is a 501(c)3, not for profit, social enterprise that helps people aspire, transform and sustain their lives as they transition from homelessness with pride self-sufficiency and to purpose.

A Safe Haven provides the tools for each individual to overcome the root causes of homelessness through a holistic and scalable model. A Safe Haven's visible social and economic impact unites families, stabilizes neighborhoods, and creates vibrant, viable communities.





CHICAGO INNOVATION AWARDS *Minner* 

## **Measuring Progress**

- survival rate.
- 1,018 Total Job Placements includes transitional, temporary and permanent
- 440,760 Healthy Meals Prepared



Women Men Veterans Children Youth



• ASH opened up the A Safe Haven Medical Respite to serve and meet the needs of COVID-19 Positive Asymptomatic and Mildly Symptomatic patients. Serving 754 people with a 100%

#### **SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCACY**

Many small and local businesses have been devastated by the pandemic. The Illinois unemployment rate remains high as small businesses struggle to hire qualified employees. Please consider supporting this campaign so the SBAC can enhance our advocacy efforts. We will continue fighting to enact policies which will support small businesses, foster economic growth in local communities, reduce unemployment and improve our economy.

#### **2021 THE REBOUND CHALLENGE GOAL**

### Joint Contribution Goal: \$150,000



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## **PARTNER WITH US**

Why It Matters

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#### **PREVENTING HOMELESSNESS**

As rent moratorium and unemployment benefits are ending, it is time to prepare a comprehensive approach to ending homelessness. This includes providing transitional housing, behavioral healthcare services, and access to workforce development, job placement, and permanent housing.



### GET INVOLVED

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We thank you for your continued support in our efforts to support small businesses and end homelessness.









### **REBUILDING LIVES AND BUSINESSES - THE REBOUND SPONSORSHIP LEVELS & BENEFITS**

**SPONSORSHIP** PACKAGES

Struggling individuals, families and small businesses are fighting to recover from the pandemic. However, we will not give up. Together we will get through this pandemic, rebound and recover!

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BUSINESS

COUNCIL

Advocacy

	Bronze \$2,500	Silver \$5,000	Gold \$10,000	Diamond \$25,000
Logo on Fundraiser Page			$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Logo on Fundraiser Emails			$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Fundraiser Booklet (digital)	LOGO	1/4 PAGE AD	1/2 PAGE AD	FULL PAGE AD
Sponsor Logo on Virtual Event Footer				$\checkmark$
Company Mention at Event		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Logo on Event Registration Page	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Access to Virtual Events	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Mention on social media promoting the event, including Event Banner on all social media Campaign Event Pages	√ Banner not included	√ ONCE	√ BI-MONTHLY	√ WEEKLY
Thank You video posted on social media for sponsorship on all social media platforms	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Swag Bag	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
(Optional) Inclusion of company giveaway in swag bag	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Video interview with Neli and Elliot about their business and the reason the support A Safe Haven and the small business community			√ On SBAC site for ONE WEEK	√ On SBAC site for ONE MONTH

