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HOPE RECOVERY COMMUNITY Construction underway for expansion

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MEDINA — Construction has been underway for a month at Hope Recovery Community to expand the current building by 3,000 square feet.

This expansion to the building, located at 200 Highland Drive, will help create more space for the large number of people coming to attend meetings and different programming.

“Hope Recovery Community is somewhere that we invested in a couple of years ago and they have just blossomed,” said Medina County ADAMH Board Executive Director Phillip Titterington.

The space is owned by the ADAMH Board and with the support of board members, construction was supported by a capital grant received from the state of Ohio.

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EXPANSION

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Hope Recovery Community Executive Director Stefanie Robinson said that with only a few walls torn down to connect the building, a large meeting room will be added upstairs, along with two bathrooms and some storage in the basement.

“We want to be able to have bigger meetings, more programming (and) just more space for recovery to happen,” she said.

According to Robinson, the current building is a great space for the recovery community but can fill up fast.

On a typical Saturday, she said the recovery community can see anywhere from 50 to 100 people stop in. For larger meetings, many people decide not to come anticipating the crowded room.

“It’s a good problem, but it’s still a problem,” Robinson said. “I don’t want

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people to have barriers to doing what they want to do.”

Construction is expected to be completed by mid-December, Titterington said.

Throughout the time of construction, Robinson said Hope Recovery Community will remain open to make sure the changes are as least disruptive as possible.

With the construction workers only working during the weekday, many of the programs are not disrupted as they are either in the evening or on the weekends.

Robinson said that once the construction is completed, it will help the organization support people who are in recovery better.

Her hope is to create more opportunities for people in recovery to connect and stay in recovery.

“The goal is to create more opportunity,” she said. “More opportunity to have more flexibility on what we can offer, more opportunity to be able to hold larger groups.”

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