THE CHALLENGE
Health conditions and injury can result in an experience of homelessness. Not having a home often exacerbates symptoms of chronic illness and delays injury recovery. Minor cuts or common colds can easily develop into larger problems, such as infections or pneumonia. Contagious diseases spread quickly in congregate settings including shelters and camps. Many experiencing homelessness have high rates of chronic health conditions and physical disability.

ONE SOLUTION
Acquire a hotel/motel to provide a non-congregate setting to address the acute needs of individuals experiencing homelessness who are aging, medically frail, in need of recuperative care, and/or have an underlying health condition or compromised immune system. This collaborative plan will mobilize financial resources to rehabilitate the acquisition into private and safe rooms to house 200+ individuals. The MVP housing program is one example of non-congregate, deeply affordable, supportive services housing that is needed to close the housing gap in Salt Lake County.

YOUR PART
The MVP project cost is estimated at $14M for the acquisition, site evaluation and refurbishment, annual property management costs, medical services, and start-up operations and services. Ownership of the facility makes the annual operating budget, estimated at $2.7M, the most cost-effective approach.

Support the Governor's budget request of $100 million for affordable housing and $128 million for deeply affordable housing targeted to help end homelessness.

Questions?
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Sources
1 Fall 2021 Point In Time Count: 32% reported a chronic health condition or physical disability that impedes their ability to live independently.
2 National Health Care for Homeless, 2019
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