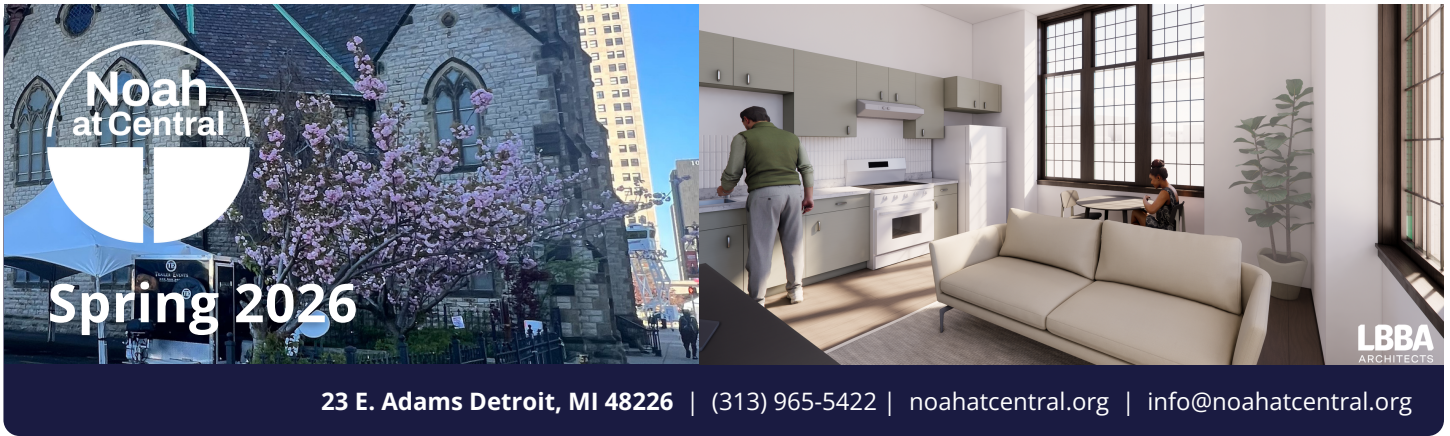




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## A Detroit for All - Spring 2026 Update

Over the next few years, Noah at Central, in partnership with Central United Methodist Church, will embark on a new adventure – to bring 39 units of housing to our corner of Woodward and Adams. Through this housing, we will create a space **where Detroiters experiencing homelessness can find safety, stability and the dignity of their own within our city's thriving downtown.** The Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) award we received at the beginning of this year is a huge impetus towards achieving this vision.

The 39 individuals who will be able to call our campus home will be similar to those we see every day - individuals on our streets who have experienced homelessness but who need extra support to remain housed. The model of housing we are creating is called permanent supportive housing (PSH).

PSH is an approach to helping those who are most vulnerable not only remain housed, but also reduce the number of times they utilize emergency rooms, hospitals and other crisis systems.

To fully implement this model, we are preparing to expand so we can “wrap” our residents with services that journey alongside them as they navigate living in housing, such as onsite behavioral health care, access to primary care, support for daily living and helping create community. Also we are excited about redeveloping our current space to better meet the needs of our current clients.

This is a unique opportunity to make downtown a Detroit for all. If you want more information or just to talk about this, please reach out to

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## Summer *fundraising* Challenge

We have been invited again this year to participate in the **Rocket Community Challenge!** The Rocket Community Fund will offer matching prizes throughout the competition, and we will need your help to secure a portion of their matching donations!

**How You Can Help Now:**

- Start setting aside funds to donate
- Network with family members and friends to contribute
- Advocate within your circles to gather as much support as possible before the challenge

**CHALLENGE HAPPENING**  
**August 3th-28th**  
MORE DETAILS COMING SOON!

## Summer Volunteers & Lunches



*View Calendar*

It's the perfect time for the whole family to get involved!

To connect, email:  
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## Dejuan's Story: Housed, Employed, and Growing a Family



When Dejuan lost his job at a potato chip factory, life quickly became unstable. Without a steady income, he found himself unhoused and searching for support. Like many individuals experiencing housing instability, he was trying to navigate systems that felt overwhelming and inconsistent.

Dejuan heard about Noah at Central from other unhoused individuals. What's typically said is **"Go to that church on the corner of Woodward and Adams, they will help you."** Dejuan said that at first, he was just coming to have a place to go, get out of the weather, and take a load off his feet. When coming to Noah, he formed a connection with Dwight, Noah's beloved day porter (who sadly passed in April). Dwight took pride in caring for the community center and ensuring it remained a welcoming space for everyone who walked through the doors. Dejuan began helping Dwight clean around the center. Whether sweeping or taking out the trash, he showed up consistently—out of a desire to "feel like I am a part of something."

When Dwight was no longer able to work, he recommended Dejuan because of the impact Dejuan made volunteering. Recognizing his reliability, work ethic, and

commitment to the community, Dejuan was hired as the new day porter. What started as simply helping out became meaningful employment and a renewed sense of purpose. The good news doesn't stop there.

After restarting the housing process with support from Noah at Central staff, Dejuan began working towards housing. He worked with our team to gather the needed paperwork to apply for housing. Once he had been submitted for housing, our team waited with him to be matched with a housing voucher. When Dejuan received a voucher, Noah at Central staff worked with him to find the place that was right for him. Dejuan moved into his new apartment on Monday, May 11—marking a major milestone in his journey toward stability.

In addition to housing stability, Dejuan is also beginning this new chapter with family by his side. Along the way, he met his fiancée, J, and together they are preparing to welcome the birth of their baby this July. From losing his job and becoming unhoused to securing employment, stable housing, and building a family, Dejuan's story is one of resilience, consistency, and community. **This is what happens when a community comes together.**

At Noah at Central, we often say that transformation happens through relationships, trust, and showing up. Dejuan did exactly that—and today, he is building a future filled with hope.



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