

**The Salvation Army
Las Vegas, Nevada**

**Adult Rehabilitation Program
AN OVERVIEW**

The mission of The Salvation Army (TSA) is to meet genuine human needs, in whatever form, wherever found. The specific mission of The Salvation Army Adult Rehabilitation Program (SAARP), located in Las Vegas, Nevada, is to respond to the broad range of the rehabilitation needs, which includes the treatment needs of the adult substance or behavioral addict. We treat men and women. The Salvation Army in Las Vegas, Nevada has, served the needs of Clark County continuously since November 1946. The Adult Rehabilitation Program was established in 1975. We have been at our Judson address since 1987.

We operate our facilities without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age (over 18), handicap, sexual preference, religion, and financial condition, chemical of choice or the progression of the disease. Our commitment is to treat the addict professionally with care, respect, responsibility and knowledge. Our goal is to restore him or her to sober, joyous and productive living in the community.

The SAARP functions from two separate locations in close proximity to one another. Built in 1987, the main facility usually referred to as the Treatment Center, is an 89 bed men's residential treatment center located at 211 Judson Avenue in North Las Vegas. All men's Phase I, II and III takes place in this facility. On the same fenced campus are our Production Warehouse, "As-Is" yard and one of our Thrift Stores. It is a two-block long area situated at the end of a street, which terminates at Interstate 15. The compound includes facilities for the majority of work therapy positions, allowing that function to take place on the same premises.

The Treatment Center building houses the men's dormitory, offices, kitchen and dining facilities, recreational areas, classrooms and a chapel.

The second facility, usually referred to as the "women's" or "WARP" (Women's Adult Rehabilitation Program) facility, is located approximately one mile away at 39 West Owens, Las Vegas. The women's treatment takes place there. Built in 1992, it is a modern 32-bed residential treatment center providing administrative and counselor office space, two kitchen and leisure areas, classrooms and laundry facilities.

This 100-150 day program (both men's and women's) provides 40 hours of work therapy per week, along with fifteen hours of classroom education, individual and group counseling, and guided self-examination done under the care of credentialed clinicians. It is designed for the severely chronic alcohol and other drug dependent person who is unemployed, homeless and whose security and safety requires residential placement. The severity and chronicity of the addiction, readiness to change, recovery environment, and relapse likelihood justify program placement. Most gambling addiction clients also have

substance abuse issues, and participate in the residential program on a separate gambling track.

PURPOSE: To respond professionally to the needs of those requiring treatment in a residential setting for substance abuse and gambling addictions.

PROGRAM: With spirituality as a foundation and abstinence as a cornerstone, we help the addict learn to meet his physical, emotional, social & spiritual needs as a person. To the residents, we provide food, clothing, shelter, work therapy, individual and group counseling in a secure, safe setting.

EACH YEAR: The ARP provides lodging for almost 40,000 client-nights, serving 1,500 clients, who consumed more than 100,000 meals and attended, more than 30,000 therapy sessions.

CAPACITIES: 86 men's beds, 32 women's beds, 14 counselors, 15 supporting and administrative staff, sixty more employees work processing donations and staffing our thrift stores.

ACCREDITATIONS:

Bureau of Alcohol & Drug Abuse for Levels 111.5, 111.3 & 111.1
The Salvation Army as a Long-term Residential Treatment Facility
Bureau of Licensure & Certification, Approved Treatment Facility
Pending National Accreditation

ANCILLARY SERVICES:

Dual Diagnosis Treatment in conjoint service contract with
Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services
Nicotine Cessation Classes
Literacy Enhancement Classes
Continuing Care Programs for those completing residential phases
Integrated Gambling track (residential & outpatient programs)
Work therapy
Use of all community services available through Memorandums
Of Understanding and use of referral services

No individual is denied services due to inability to pay. An approved sliding fee scale is available to provide services at a reduced rate for those with financial hardships. Clients who are not Nevada residents pay out-of-state rates. Clients also use food stamp dollars to supplement food costs. Program is financially supported through community donations processed through our thrift stores; through state funds and federal funds distributed by the Bureau of Alcohol & Drug Abuse and the Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services.

The financial or Funding Map reflects the following:

The cost of clinical (Treatment) operations (FY2005) = \$1.8 mil

CONTRIBUTION	% PERCENT	\$ DOLLARS
BADA	15%	\$260K
Food Stamps	9%	\$155K
Donations	8%	\$142K
United Way	2%	\$39K
SNAMHS	20%	\$380K
Thrift Store profits	29%	\$517K
Client fees	2%	\$20K
Deficit (borrowed from TSA headquarters)	15%	\$261K

The Salvation Army maintains a cost of \$152.00 per day per client to provide its services. Even with keeping expenses at this austere level, we have been consistently short in balancing our budget. New funds have become available this month to initiate the outpatient gambling addiction program.

What we are doing is increasing our efforts to obtain additional funding. We have had some success recently with community block grants, and partnering with other community agencies with grant money for treating the homeless.

What the legislature can do for this faith-based operation is to find a way to send some money with the many individuals referred from the criminal justice system. Forty to sixty percent of all our clients are mandated to treatment by the court systems, probation and parole. If the courts are going to use treatment facilities as a diversion from incarceration alternatives, then some of the costs saved should be shared with the receiving agency. If parole boards are going to use treatment facilities as a halfway house, then the addition of the individual must warrant residential treatment services or we are depriving others in need of residential services which are in short supply in this state.

The state needs to partnership with the agencies providing this valuable social service function of residential treatment for substance abuse. To help defray their costs of doing business or they may soon be out of business.

Finally, TSA meets all state and federal requirements in providing services from a licensed facility, with certified professional counselors working within the framework of an accredited program using evidence-based practices. Once these requirements are satisfied, completion for federal/state funding should be considered on an equal-footing basis. We believe the spiritual component is an essential and positive contributor to long-term recovery efforts.

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BULLET POINTS

Introduction, faith-based, accredited.

Mission; alcoholics, drug addicts, gamblers with co-occurring disorders.

Men's & women's facilities (capacities).

Program components (services offered).

Staff qualifications.

Funding profile.

Short falls & reasons.

What TSA can do.

What legislature can do.

THANK YOU!