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**Homes for the Brave Receives \$95,000 Grant from the
Steven & Alexandra Cohen Foundation to Support Women Veterans**

Bridgeport, CT (July 01, 2025) — Homes for the Brave is proud to announce the receipt of a generous \$95,000 grant from the Steven & Alexandra Cohen Foundation, led by philanthropist and New York Mets owner Alex Cohen, to support critical upgrades to the PFC Nicholas A. Madaras House, a transitional home for women Veterans experiencing homelessness and their young children.

This transformational gift will fund renovations to the main floor of the Madaras House, enhancing both the functionality and therapeutic environment of the space. Plans include the creation of a private, multi-use room to serve as a quiet meditation area and an office for visiting service providers such as medical and mental health professionals. The grant will also allow for the purchase of exercise equipment tailored to the needs of the women Veterans we serve.

“We are deeply grateful to Alex Cohen and the Steven & Alexandra Cohen Foundation for their commitment to uplifting underserved communities and empowering women Veterans on their journeys toward independence,” said Vince Santilli, CEO of Homes for the Brave. “Their generosity will help us create a more supportive and healing environment for those who have served our nation.”

Founded in 2001, the Steven & Alexandra Cohen Foundation is dedicated to inspiring philanthropy and community engagement. Over the past two decades, the Foundation has awarded more than \$1.3 billion in grants to organizations that improve children’s health and education, support the arts, protect the environment, serve vulnerable populations, and advance Lyme and tickborne disease research.

Homes for the Brave looks forward to sharing progress on these vital enhancements and continuing to provide comprehensive support for the brave women who call Madaras House home.

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About Homes for the Brave

The mission of Homes for the Brave (HFTB) is, with an emphasis on Veterans, to provide the housing and services necessary for individuals experiencing homelessness to return to a productive and meaningful life. HFTB has served almost 1,800 individuals while engaging with hundreds of volunteers and local organizations to craft an ever-expanding network of support. We strive to be a beacon of hope and inspiration for the community by providing innovative, comprehensive, and compassionate programs that demonstrate our dedication to our Veterans.

For more information about Homes for the Brave or to support our mission, please visit www.homesforthebrave.org.