



## S.L. Gimbel Foundation Fund Grant Evaluation Form

**Grant Period:**  
**January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013**

Organization: Friendship Shelter, Inc.

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Grant Period: January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2013

Award Amount: \$25,000

Grant Number:

- Describe the project's key outcomes and results based on your goals and objectives. Provide the number of clients served and other relevant statistics.

*Our three primary objectives were: (1) assist homeless men and women to secure a stable income and savings to support sustainable housing; (2) help clients resolve or ameliorate mental and physical health problems to facilitate self-sufficiency; and (3) ensure that all clients are able to resolve legal and financial challenges and personal issues that limit their capacity for self-sufficiency.*

*We have achieved these goals. In 2013, we served 435 individuals across the three Pathways programs. 326 of these were seen in our emergency shelter program, where most stayed just a day or two – but 44 were frequent guests. Of those, 13 (30%) entered the self-sufficiency program (SSP) with the support of shelter staff. A total of 88 individuals (including the 13 from the emergency shelter and the balance who entered the program directly from homelessness) were served in the SSP, where 71% graduated successfully with income, stable housing and – where applicable – sobriety. An additional 21 – 100% of whom graduated successfully – were served in our transitional housing program. Across all programs, all clients had access to mental and physical health services.*

- What were the challenges and obstacles you encountered (if any) in attaining your goals & objectives? How did you overcome and/or address the challenges and obstacles? What were the lessons learned?

*Our clients' obstacles mirror our own. Income and affordable housing continue to be primary obstacles. In a high-unemployment environment, individuals with spotty work histories, mental health challenges and – for some – criminal records, achieving a living wage job is especially daunting. For others, whose disabilities prevent sustained employment, the waiting period to qualify for disability income is months or even years. Our staff have become adept at assisting in both job coaching as well as income application – but the problems remain difficult.*

*On the housing front, the availability of affordable housing – and in particular, supportive housing for chronically homeless people who need ongoing support – is scarce. In 2013 FSI initiated a permanent supportive housing program, using HUD funds, to help address this need. By the end of 2014 35 individuals will be housed in FSI-managed permanent supportive housing, with an additional 40 units in development.*

*Organizationally, ongoing funding is, of course, a consistent challenge – and for that reason we are particularly grateful to SL Gimbel for this grant.*

- Describe any unintended positive outcomes as a result of the efforts supported by this grant.

*Beyond our top objectives, we continue to be pleased by the less measurable but clearly obvious results of participation in our program. Even for those who do not gain full “success” by our rigorous standards, we believe all leave our program with the knowledge that they were valued and cared for, and therefore with increased self-esteem and resilience. We consistently see clients who were unsuccessful return to us for services, and we are proud that we are viewed by clients as a safe refuge to which they can return when they are ready.*

- Describe the overall effect this grant has had on your organization.

*This grant once again helped provide much-needed program support, further solidifying our financial health so that we could keep the promises we make to clients when they enter our program.*

- Tell us a few success stories that made an impact on your organization and/or community as a result of this grant.

*Todd and Michael originally came to FSI in the emergency shelter program. Todd’s first night in the emergency shelter was the shelter’s opening night, in November of 2009. Michael followed the next spring. Both had been chronically homeless for years prior to coming to the emergency shelter. Michael worked with shelter staff to become sober and qualified for the self-sufficiency program, and after about a year in that program moved to local housing. But his disability benefit check dropped once he was housed, and he lost that housing because he could no longer afford it. He returned to the self-sufficiency program. Meanwhile, Todd had spent more than a year in the self-sufficiency program after several years in the emergency shelter. He eventually received a disability income as well with the help of shelter staff. In February 2013, Todd and Michael became the first two permanent supportive housing tenants in FSI’s new program. They live together in a 2-bedroom apartment in nearby Laguna Niguel, CA. Each pays 1/3 of his income as rent, with a HUD grant subsidizing the rest and providing ongoing supportive services from FSI staff. On move-in day, Todd commented, “I feel like I’m on a game show and I won the grand prize!” Michael was equally impressed: “I think I won the lottery,” he said. Both Michael and Todd benefitted from all aspects of the Pathways program and are now permanently home.*

- Provide a financial report on the use of your grant funds (expenditures).

*Attached.*

- ❖ Please send copies of publicity and other promotional materials.

*In lieu of written materials, we invite you to view our 2013 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary video at our website --- [www.friendshipshelter.org](http://www.friendshipshelter.org)*

- ❖ All variances or time extensions must be approved by The Community Foundation’s Grant Committee. Please contact us at 951-684-4194, ext. 114 immediately if a variance or extension becomes necessary.

**Please return the completed form to:**

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## **FRIENDSHIP SHELTER, INC.**

### **S.L. Gimbel Grant Funds – Pathways to Self Sufficiency 1/1/13 – 12/31/2013**

<b>Line Item Description</b>	<b>Line Item Explanation</b>	<b>Projected Budget</b>	<b>2013 Expenses</b>	<b>S.L. Gimbel Foundation Grant</b>
Salaries/Benefits	15.4 FTE Project Staff	640,609	645,929	25,000
Case Management	Intern Supervision \$8,000 for 9 mos. Summer Intern Stipends \$1,000 for 3 mos.	11,000	11,000	
Rental and Utility Assistance	To assist clients to move into housing	22,000	22,000	
Food and Nutritional Supplements	Supplies for 3 meals per day (supplemented by donations)	21,400	19,542	
Hygiene	Personal and cleaning supplies, based on experience	6,300	4,711	
Client Transportation	Bus Passes - \$2,028 x 12 mos	24,336	25,142	
Client Medical Copays and ID's	\$4,000 for medical copays; \$1,000 for ID's (birth certificates, DMV, etc.)	5,000	6,251	
Drug Testing	Drug tests to ensure compliance, \$635/mth	7,620	7,682	
Psychiatric Services	3 hours per week @ \$80/hr, plus insurance	14,680	14,795	
Land Lease, Mortgage Int., Utilities and Property Taxes	Lease \$72,000 yr; Mortgage \$18,450 yr; Utilities \$50,125 Taxes \$13,750	154,325	155,728	
Maintenance	Upkeep and Repairs to Shelter and Housing properties	16,430	29,564	
Travel	Travel to assist clients with housing, etc.	4,150	4,630	
<b>TOTALS:</b>		<b>\$927,850</b>	<b>\$946,974</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>