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## **FCA Foundation Renews Support for Jackson Street Commons**

- Supportive housing program for homeless veterans receives second \$50,000 grant
- FCA Foundation grant helps veterans make Jackson Street Commons 'A Place to Call Home'

February 3, 2020, Howard County, Ind. - Family Service Association of Howard County Inc. (FSA) announced that it has received a second \$50,000 grant for Jackson Street Commons, a permanent, supportive housing program for chronically homeless veterans in Howard and Tipton counties. The general operating grant comes from the FCA Foundation, the charitable arm of Fiat Chrysler Automobiles.

"We are so grateful for the continued support from the FCA Foundation for Jackson Street Commons. The Foundation's partnership has been invaluable in our efforts to help homeless veterans," said FSA Executive Director Tracy Martino.

Located in Kokomo, Indiana, Jackson Street Commons provides permanent housing for 27 veterans and their families using the national "Housing First Model," an approach that centers on providing chronically homeless people - veterans in this case - with a home, then surrounds them with a variety of support services that will help with their stabilization. Opened in May 2014, Jackson Street Commons is the third facility of its kind in Indiana.

"It is with ongoing community support that Jackson Street Commons provides housing and quality supportive services to help formerly homeless veterans become stably housed and work on the barriers that led to their homelessness in the first place. We are thankful for the generous contribution from the FCA Foundation to make Jackson Street Commons a place to call home for these veterans," said Angie Ciski, Jackson Street Commons Director of Veterans Programs.

"We believe that one of the best ways that we can recognize the service and sacrifice of these brave women and men is to provide them with the tools and support they need to live their best lives," said Christine Estereicher, Chief Operating Officer - FCA Foundation. "We are pleased to renew our support for Jackson Street Commons. Giving formerly homeless veterans a place that they can call home is a positive step for them, as well as the community."

### **Family Service Association of Howard County**

Family Service Association of Howard County, Inc. was established in 1968 as a non-profit organization that promotes healthy families and empowers vulnerable individuals and families through education, prevention, and crisis intervention programs.

### **FCA Foundation**

The [FCA Foundation](#) is the charitable arm of North American automaker FCA US LLC, a member of the [Fiat Chrysler Automobiles N.V.](#) (FCA) family of companies. The FCA Foundation invests in U.S. charitable organizations and initiatives that help empower people, build strong, resilient communities and generate meaningful and measurable societal impacts. In support of these objectives, the FCA Foundation focuses on the following foundational pillars: youth development, education, support for military, veterans and their families, and community service.

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