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Quotes from Community Leaders About Dorothy Day Place

TIM MARX, PRESIDENT AND CEO OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES

“Dorothy Day Place represents a new model for preventing and ending homelessness – integrating dignified emergency shelter, permanent homes and services in one place. The historic public-private partnership behind Dorothy Day Place should serve as inspiration for what can be done to address the housing crisis we face. This is not the end of something – it is just the beginning of a new way of working together to solve our toughest challenges.”

GOVERNOR TIM WALZ, MINNESOTA

“Every Minnesotan deserves a safe place to call home. Dorothy Day Place is a prime example of the innovation and compassion that is quintessentially Minnesotan, and this new campus will boost its efforts to combat homelessness in our state.”

MAYOR MELVIN CARTER, SAINT PAUL

“Our future depends on ensuring all of us can access the prosperity our city has to offer. Dorothy Day Place helps us realize this vision by connecting people to shelter, support, and opportunity.”

COMMISSIONER JIM McDONOUGH, RAMSEY COUNTY

“Smart, productive measures to combat the affordable housing crisis are needed now more than ever. The public-private partnership between the county, business leaders and Catholic Charities at Dorothy Day Place provides a creative new way for Ramsey County to deliver critical services to our community.”

DOUG BAKER, JR., CHAIRMAN AND CEO OF ECOLAB + CO-CHAIR OF THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

“This \$100-million project represents the largest public-private partnership of its kind in state history. Dorothy Day Place offers a new way of working together to recognize the dignity and worth of every person, meeting people where they are and helping them experience the joys and opportunity life has to offer. Our entire community will be stronger because of it.”

MARY BRAINERD, FORMER PRESIDENT AND CEO OF HEALTHPARTNERS + CO-CHAIR OF THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

“The spaces around us have such a profound influence on our wellbeing and our ability to take on the challenges of the day. From health care services and stable housing to the human basics of nutritious meals, clean showers and laundry, it is the thoughtful, dignified details of Dorothy Day Place that make me especially proud to have this resource in our community.”

ANDY CECERE, PRESIDENT AND CEO OF U.S. BANK + CO-CHAIR OF THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

“This community rallied together to advance a bold new vision, inspired by the courage and perseverance of the men and women who now call Dorothy Day Place home. Dorothy Day Place, and all it stands for, was made possible by more than 500 generous private donors, historic public investments, thousands of hours of volunteer service and countless community partnerships.”

MARK DIENHART, PRESIDENT AND CEO, RICHARD M. SCHULZE FAMILY FOUNDATION

“Dorothy Day Place is an enormous asset to this region, and vital to accomplishing the goal of preventing and ending homelessness. We’re proud to support the critical work of Catholic Charities, and the cross section of community partners whose missions will come to life at Dorothy Day Place.”



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NEAL LOIDOLT, PRESIDENT AND CEO, MINNESOTA ASSISTANCE COUNCIL FOR VETERANS (MACV)

“The considerable progress we have made on ending Veteran homelessness in Minnesota is evidence of what can be achieved when we focus on a concrete goal. With preference given to veterans for permanent supportive homes and a Veterans Service HUB on-site, Dorothy Day Place will address the unique needs of veterans experiencing homelessness in a holistic way that many other places cannot.”

JEFF HUGGETT, VICE PRESIDENT AND PROJECT PARTNER, DOMINIUM

“It takes a deep commitment from many partners to make a project like Dorothy Day Place a reality. The Dominionium team is thrilled to have provided pro bono development support on this project because we have seen the tremendous impact this kind of smart collaboration can make in our communities. The challenge of preventing and ending homelessness requires our very best thinking, our strongest partnerships, and the will to get things done. Dorothy Day Place is now an example and inspiration for this community to do even more.”

ERIC JOLLY, PRESIDENT AND CEO, SAINT PAUL AND MINNESOTA FOUNDATIONS

“Some of the most incredible community accomplishments happen when we are willing to invest in the in the hope and wellbeing of a neighbor we might never meet. Hundreds of generous private donors, civic leaders, volunteers, staff, neighbors and advocates committed to a vision for Dorothy Day Place that will have impact for generations to come.”

COMMISSIONER JENNIFER HO, MINNESOTA HOUSING

“We know how to solve homelessness. But even the best plans will fail without community partners who believe in a shared mission and are willing to put their resources on the line. Dorothy Day Place is an example of what can happen when public resources are leveraged and maximized by private philanthropy.”

COMMISSIONER JODI HARPSTEAD, MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

“Minnesota is often a leader and example to other states as we tackle our most complex challenges. Dorothy Day Place is a thoughtful, collaborative model of direct service and community engagement that I hope will inspire more efforts like it in Minnesota and across the country. I thank Catholic Charities and the broad network of public and private partners who have brought this new vision to life.”

CATHY TEN BROEKE, STATE OF MINNESOTA, INTERAGENCY COUNCIL TO PREVENT AND END HOMELESSNESS

“Advancing a dynamic approach that efficiently integrates emergency shelter and permanent housing with health care, employment and other critical services, Dorothy Day Place is a creative new example of what programming to end homelessness can look like. I hope the momentum and inspiration of this project will fuel the important work ahead to prevent and end homelessness in Minnesota.”

COUNCILMEMBER REBECCA NOECKER, SAINT PAUL

“Dorothy Day Place will offer a new way to meet our most vulnerable neighbors with the individual services and supports they need to reach their full potential. I appreciate the diligence of Catholic Charities and its many partners in bringing this new vision to life. These new buildings are just the beginning; I look forward to the next chapter of our work together to prevent and end homelessness in St. Paul.”