

History of 768 Eastern Parkway

Anna Belle Shelton, known to Louisville as Anna Haines, was one of Louisville's longest-running and most successful madams. Her house of ill-repute was located at 768 Eastern Parkway, next door to Our Mother of Sorrows. Anna was born in 1899 in Meade County, Kentucky to William H. Shelton and Annie (Thomas) Shelton, the tenth of twelve children. Following her father's death when Anna was five years old, her destitute mother struggled desperately to provide for the youngest Shelton children. Anna's childhood was grounded in hunger, homelessness, orphanages and possible physical and sexual assault.

Survival

In 1913, at age 13, Anna was already in trouble with the courts. She married for the first time at age 15. After leaving the marriage, she became her sick mother's caregiver and began to earn a living in the streets. She managed to purchase a home for her mother at age 20, and she designed and built 768 Eastern Pkwy at age 35. Anna remained here for over 30 years before selling the property to Our Mother of Sorrows. Women today still face the same struggles that Anna Shelton did at the turn of the century. Anna is only different in that she managed to build a place for herself by way of a dangerous, risky profession — one so many women do not come out of alive. Now, the house that Anna built may be the first stop for women needing escape, rehabilitation or recovery.

Compassion

If you are interested in making a donation to St. Anne's House, please forward your contribution to Our Mother of Sorrows, 747 Harrison Ave., Louisville, Kentucky, 40217. Please make a notation on your check or enclose a note indicating that the donation is for the benefit of St. Anne's House.

If you have any questions concerning the project or can help in any way, please contact Dutch Boehnlein at (502)938-2930 or email at Dutch@FamilyRealty.com; or Laura Kline at laurak8352@gmail.com



Future St. Anne's House

ST. ANNE'S HOUSE PROJECT

768 Eastern Parkway, Louisville, KY 40217



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OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS
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The St. Anne's House Project

The St. Anne's House Project is the vision of Father Philip Erickson, pastor of Our Mother of Sorrows Church. The St. Anne's House is located at 768 Eastern Pkwy, Louisville, KY 40217, next to the church.

The property was acquired by the church in 1965 from a former Louisville madam, Anna Haines. The unusual and intriguing history of the house inspired Father Philip to envision bringing the property full circle from a former brothel to a house of healing. He chose the name St. Anne in homage to the biblical Anne, mother of Mary and the grandmother of Jesus.

Father Philip, with the endorsement of Archbishop Kurtz, has formed a committee to fulfill his vision of the home being used as transitional housing for survivors of human trafficking.

The committee has successfully engaged Catholic Charities of Louisville (CCL) through their Bakhita Empowerment Initiative Project (grant funded) to provide comprehensive case management of participants, support services and rental assistance.

The committee now has the major task of renovating the home to properly house the CCL Bakhita Empowerment Initiative Program participants. The church has already replaced the roof as well as removed two large old unhealthy trees that were clogging the sewer line.

We have had some wonderful people to step up to help oversee our renovation project, but we **need your assistance** to bring this desperately needed housing to these women

RENOVATION NEEDS:

PLUMBING UPDATES:

- Replace sewer pipes
- MSD basement backflow prevention
- Replace copper pipes and cast iron drains
- Replace 2 tubs, 3 toilets and 3 sinks
- 5 new electric hot water heaters
- 2 washers

ELECTRICAL UPDATES:

- Upgrade service into building
- New plugs and wiring in renovated rooms and kitchens
- New service for 2 washers, 2 dryers and 5 hot water heaters
- Ceiling lights in each room

HVAC

- Removal of existing system
- New units and duct work

KITCHEN NEEDS:

- Cabinets, countertops, sinks, faucets, microwaves, electric ranges and refrigerators for 4 apartment units

FLOORING:

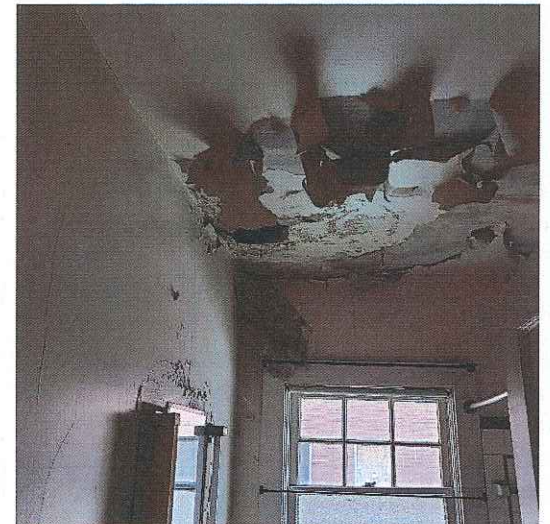
- Refinish hardwood floors where possible

- Repair or replace laminate, vinyl and tile floors

FUNDRAISING GOAL: \$250,000.00



Needed Kitchen Repairs and Updates



Needed Ceiling and Drywall Repairs