

The State University of New York College of Optometry (SUNY) partnership with The Bowery Mission, one of New York City's most respected organizations providing services to the city's homeless and residents in need, has expanded to East Harlem. Last year the college signed an agreement to provide those served by The Bowery Mission's lower Manhattan location with full-service, no-cost, comprehensive eye care. Three days each month, SUNY interns and Dr. Jack Chen visit the site to provide care to a wide range of people. Thanks to broad support solicited by the Optometric Center of New York, the college's philanthropic foundation, equipment was purchased and provided for the program as well.

The continued support from a range of foundations and individual donors has enabled the college to expand its relationship with The Bowery Mission to include the organization's new Men's Center in East Harlem. The center is expected to house up to 60 men in a transitional residential setting and provide services to both the residents and members of the neighborhood in need.



*SUNY students and faculty have begun rotating through the Bowery Mission's new residential center in Harlem.*