



FOGLIA FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTER

RENOVATION OF FORMER ALEXIAN BROTHERS RESIDENCE INTO A RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTER

CLIENT Ascension | **LOCATION** Elk Grove Village, Illinois | **SIZE** 16,000 sf

PROJECT SCOPE

An existing 24-resident group home, formerly occupied by the Alexian Brotherhood, was re-purposed as a 48-bed behavioral health residence for patients struggling with OCD, anxiety, and substance abuse. This renovated facility is an important intermediary step between hospital treatment and immersion into daily life. The renovation transformed a multi-room residence into a supportive environment for treating behavioral health issues. Patients can heal in an encouraging, thoughtfully-planned environment that is practical for behavioral treatment but does not compromise the residential and hospitality-like character of the design.

The facility contains a variety of public and private spaces that are flexible to suit a range of activities and include group therapy rooms, consult rooms, art therapy, virtual reality spaces, and a self-serve dining and breakout space. The former garage area has been converted into a highly functional back-of-house zone that provides a centralized point for meal preparation, ware washing, laundry, and private office and break space for the staff.

At the main entryway, a new glass façade provides natural illumination to the lobby, which was previously dark and cavernous. An open oak-clad stair ties together the first and second floors inside this new lobby and draws daylight from new skylights down to the lower level. New glazing throughout the facility enlivens the interior with the therapeutic effects of natural light and provides warmth to the finish palette. Behind the building, the new patio connects residents to the vibrantly-landscaped grounds and a reflecting pond. Now complete, the residence provides a much-needed treatment facility where patients can rest, rejuvenate themselves, and renew their health.