



## The Emily Program

Personalized treatment for eating disorders.

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### **The Emily Program to buy Children's Home Society and Family Services Toogood Building and Expand Eating Disorders Treatment for Adolescents and Families**

(St. Paul, Minnesota) -- Children's Home Society and Family Services (CHSFS) is selling its Toogood Building at 2230 Como Ave. to The Emily Program, which is headquartered one block away. The Emily Program plans to turn the building into an eating disorders treatment center for adolescents and families by June 2011, including a 10-bed residential program and outpatient treatment services.

CHSFS staff and programs now in the Toogood building will move less than a mile to the CHSFS headquarters at 1605 Eustis St.

"For more than 120 years, Children's Home has served children and their families in St. Anthony Park," said Maureen Warren, President and CEO of CHSFS. "The Toogood building has been our home since 1959, and literally thousands of lives have been touched in our years on Como Ave. We're thrilled that the Emily Program will continue the legacy of service in this beautiful building."

The building, on the corner of Como and Commonwealth Aves., is named in honor of Roger Toogood, long-time executive director of CHSFS.

Dr. Jillian Croll, director of communications, outreach and research for The Emily Program, says: "The history, location, and character of the Toogood building is a terrific match for The Emily Program. We plan additional landscaping and new signage, but otherwise the Toogood's exterior will look the same."

This is the second St. Anthony Park building that The Emily Program has purchased from nonprofits and moved onto the property tax rolls—the first is the Anna Westin House, a former Catholic church on Cleveland Ave.

The Emily Program's director of business development Lindsay Brown says: "Our philosophy of caring for clients requires that our facilities be in safe and convenient locations, where clients and staff can patronize local businesses and be part of a strong community. That's why we like Saint Anthony Park so much. We're growing and our first choice is always to grow in existing buildings of character and beauty, like the Toogood. The fact that Toogood is across the street from our main building is also a big plus, so we're very excited."

When it reopens, the building will be staffed around the clock by professionals, just like its next door neighbor, the Saint Anthony Park Home for seniors.

CHSFS provides adoption services, early childhood care and education, child and family support, and counseling for families and children. CHSFS serves families in Minnesota, across the United States and in more than a dozen other countries.

The Emily Program provides personalized treatment for eating disorders and related problems at six Minnesota locations. The Emily Program has provided high-quality eating disorder care in Minnesota since 1993.

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