

Leslie's House Winter Emergency Shelter

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- ▶ The Winter Emergency Shelter is open daily from 7pm - 7am.
- ▶ It shares a space with Christ Community Church, occupying the second-floor multipurpose room.
- ▶ Prior to opening, the floor had to be upfitted with lighted exit markers, alarms and other fire code specific repairs.

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- ▶ Setup and takedown of sleeping quarters is required daily to accommodate the shared arrangement.
- ▶ Intake is done with each guest to obtain required federal data and determine case management and possible housing solutions.
- ▶ Dinner is served nightly and breakfast each morning. A go-bag of snacks and water is given to each woman before they leave for the day.

Why is it needed?

In a 22-day period, 23 DIFFERENT women stayed at the Winter Emergency Shelter.

The Point In Time count that measures homelessness in our city showed 86 unsheltered with 27 of those being women.

During that 22-day period, Leslie's House was full. Let's do the math...


Leslie's House has 22 beds.

Winter Emergency Shelter had 23 DIFFERENT women.

THAT'S 45!

We have received calls and placements from Greensboro-Pitt County NC, Asheboro, Winston Salem, Social Service Counselors as far as Alamance County.

WE HAVE A PROBLEM!



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Community Partners

- ▶ West End Ministries
- ▶ High Point Public Library Staff
- ▶ Community Development & Housing Staff
- ▶ Partners Ending Homelessness
- ▶ Caring Services
- ▶ Green Street Baptist Church
- ▶ Wesleyan Christian Academy
- ▶ First Presbyterian Church
- ▶ First United Methodist
- ▶ First Christian Church
- ▶ Grace Community Church
- ▶ Acts Ministries of High Point
- ▶ English Road Baptist Church
- ▶ Many other churches that we have probably missed naming



Operating Costs

<h4>Donations</h4> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ \$1600.00 in various donations ▶ \$25000.00 from anonymous donor ▶ This gave us \$26,600.00 to begin work on the building and ensure salaries for this winter season. 	<h4>Expenditures</h4> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ \$10,500 Building updates ▶ Salary (140 hours a week) ▶ \$40.00 +/- weekly for laundry ▶ To date many things have been donated such as food, clothing, paper products, soap, cleaners, hand sanitizers, etc.
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Measurable Outcomes

- ▶ **S.** was new to the High Point area. She stayed at the Winter Emergency Shelter for 13 days until transitioning to a place at Caring Services. When she left us, she was 14 days clean and sober.
- ▶ **M.** and **S.** are a married homeless couple. **M.** walked **S.** to the Winter Emergency Shelter each evening so she would have a safe warm place to sleep. He would leave for the night and return the next morning to retrieve her. **S.** stayed with us for 7 days until VEM put them in a hotel room together. **M.** is a veteran so the Salvation Army of GSO in conjunction with the VA is currently seeking permanent housing for them.
- ▶ **B.** and **B.** are a mother and daughter that have been with us from the opening due to domestic violence. **Mother B.** is in her 70s. They are currently seeking assistance with the Family Justice Center of Guilford County. **Daughter B.** has since been hired as a staff member to assist in the operation of the Emergency Shelter.

The Future Needs and Plans

- ▶ We need beds.. Temporary and Semi-permanent. The Triad needs more options for women.
- ▶ They need a place to go at 7am. Nothing is available for those who have nothing.
- ▶ Funding
- ▶ The Winter Emergency Shelter will close its doors April 1, 2020 at 7am.
- ▶ If the funding is available, plans are to open the Winter Emergency Shelter on December 1, 2020 thru April 1, 2021.

Questions