



The Sheboygan County Warming Center

What is the Sheboygan County Warming Center?

We are a group of Sheboygan county interdenominational churches, other organizations, and friends that have joined together the past four years to staff an overnight shelter for homeless adults during our cold winter nights.

Where is the shelter located? The Sheboygan County Warming Center is located at 822 New Jersey Ave., Sheboygan. The Warming Center is housed in the lower church hall of Ss. Cyril and Methodist church. Entrance is between the church and the old school building.

When does the shelter operate? We hope, in 2021, to be open the months of January and February from 7:00 pm to 7:30 am, seven days a week. **New Volunteers are much needed at this time.**

How does the shelter operate? Guests arrive between 7:00pm and 7:45pm. A hot meal is served around 8:00 pm. This evening meal is provided by Warming Center volunteers, often with help from local restaurants who pitch in by providing food. Around 6:30am the guests are awakened; a simple breakfast is served. The guests will leave by 7:30am.

What are the typical hours? **1st shift - 6:30pm – 10pm**, 4 people to setup, welcome guests and serve the meal. **2nd shift - 10pm – 6am**, 2 people to provide assistance to guests as needed during the overnight hours. **3rd shift - 5:30am – 8:00am**, 2 people to wake guests, serve light breakfast, clean up and sanitize the center.

Will the Warming Center be following COVID-19 precautionary guidelines? **Yes, Yes and Yes!** The Warming Center will be requiring all who enter the Center to be temperature checked and screened for COVID-19 symptoms. All volunteers and guests will be required to wear face coverings and comply with CDC protocols (social distancing and hygiene practices). Sanitizing of the area will be ongoing during operating hours, and at closing each morning.

How many guests do you get per night?

The past four years the number has varied from a few, to several, to more than a dozen per night.

What do I need to do to become a volunteer?

1) Submit a completed Sheboygan County Warming Center Volunteer Application form. See below.
2) Attend one 90-minute orientation and training session in December. Dates to be determined.
You will then be part of a team. If your organization can create a team of seven or more, great! If not, we have plenty of spaces with other churches or organizations. We ask you to take a shift of service to our guests about once a week.

Volunteer Applications are available by contacting sheb.co.wc@gmail.com

Facebook: Sheboygan County Warming Center

For additional information — Ken Rishel: 920-980-9520 Rich Gulig: 920-452-2305