Resource Guide

Generated November 21, 2026 · 32 open facilities · closed facilities are not listed · call before you go: details change quickly

MA

Boston Family Shelter (Shelter Inc.)

Shelter · Open

Non–Profit Community Outreach
656 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston, MA 02118

Phone 617–267–8081
Web www.shelterinc.org
Checks payable to Shelter Inc.

From the website:

The Boston Family Shelter provides emergency shelter, individualized case management, referrals for educational and job training programs, life–skill and child development education, 24–hour staff support and other needed services; capacity of 9 families.

It is the mission of Shelter to end homelessness in the lives of individuals and families by providing housing options and effective supportive services while promoting policy and practices necessary to change those conditions that create homelessness.

Services offered: Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Demographic Served: Homeless; Shelter, Homeless Shelter; Training Classes, Child Development (learning to teach kids); Training Classes, Life Skills, Misc.; Training, Services, Employment /JobTraining
Campaigns: United Way
Updated Apr 19, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1035

Boston Food Pantry

Walk–in Resource · Open

Red Cross
285 Columbus Ave., 2nd floor, Boston, MA

Phone 617–375–0700, ext. 210
Hours Wed. & Sat. 9–12

Provides food packages Wed. & Sat. mornings 9–12.

Services offered: Food Distribution, Food Pantry (Distributes to the Public)
Campaigns: American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC
Updated Jan 22, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1012

Boston Rescue Mission

Shelter · Open

Faith–based
39 Kingston Street, Boston, MA

Phone 617–338–9000
Web www.brm.org

At the Boston Rescue Mission, our programs and services focus a great deal on preventing homelessness. When families of greater Boston have budgets stretched so thin that they must choose between feeding themselves and staying in their homes, our meal programs relieve pressure on caregivers and allow them to focus resources in other areas to prevent a homeless situation. As men and women in need of employment struggle to make ends meet, our vocational development programs help to prepare them for higher–paying positions in today's workplaces. On the journey through recovery from alcohol and drug addiction, our residential recovery programs strengthen and empower our clients by building and reinforcing a solid foundation of sobriety. From a state of sobriety, clients then can rebuild self–esteem in a supportive and accountable recovery environment and break the cycle of addiction that so often leads to homelessness. Our range of services also strives to meet the needs of a population of female ex–offenders. The goal of this re–entry program is to reduce recidivism, increase public safety, and help female ex–offenders to re–enter society as independent women living fulfilling and crime–free lives. By supporting our brothers and sisters in times of need, we enable them to focus on maintaining a stable housing situation for themselves and their families.

For those clients caught in the throes of street living or in the vicious cycle of addiction, detoxification, and relapse, our facilities and programs work toward ending homelessness. Our staff and community volunteers help to stabilize lives in crisis by serving hot meals to anyone who is hungry. We open our emergency shelter every night of the year to offer a warm and safe place for up to 120 people to sleep. Our volunteers meet and counsel shelter guests about leaving street life and entering recovery programs like those at the Mission. Those same recovery programs bring much more than just sobriety––they bring hope to men and

women who felt their lives slipping away from them; hope that the bleak world of addiction and homelessness will finally come to an end.

Over the past several years, the Boston Rescue Mission has served over 165,000 meals each year. This includes the meals served at the food pantry, residential meals, shelter meals and the three o'clock meal. The Mission serves meals at six mealtimes on weekdays. The weekend schedule is slightly different.

Food Pantry
The food pantry program provided over 27,000 meals last year to individuals and families in the city of Boston. Program participants must present a picture I.D., rent receipt, utility bill, and be a resident of the city of Boston to be eligible for the food pantry program. Lack of affordable housing in the city of Boston has significantly increased the demand for the food pantry program over the last several years. Running the food pantry is a volunteer position.

Residential Meals
Resident clients in our recovery programs are served three meals per day. Breakfast is served at 7:00AM, lunch at 11:30AM, and dinner at 4:30PM. All meals have available shifts for those who would like to volunteer serving in the kitchen. Some of the residential clients participate in the preparing and serving of the meals as a way to contribute to their mandatory house hours.

Shelter Meals
The shelter doors open and dinner is served at 7:00PM. The lights go off at 9:00PM and the wake up call is at 5:30 AM. At 5:30AM the overnight guests are served a breakfast and leave the shelter by 6:15AM. Both the dinner and breakfast mealtimes are available shifts for those who would like to volunteer by serving meals in the kitchen.

The Three O'Clock Meal
The Three O'clock meal is open to anyone who is hungry. Typically, between fifty to one hundred people come to the Mission to enjoy this afternoon meal. This is a popular meal for our Corporate Partners, who enjoy gathering a few employees to serve a meal once per month or so. It is also a popular meal for those wishing to reach out to a homeless person and perhaps to establish a personal relationship.

Phone: 617-338-9000
Fax: 617-482-6623
Email: info@brm.org

Federal Tax ID #:
04-2104726

Services offered: Counseling, Substance Abuse ; Food Distribution, Food Pantry (Distributes to the Public); Jobs, Paying; Meals * (ANY/ALL Types) ; Meals, Breakfast; Meals, Congregate Feeding, Meals; Meals, Dinner; Meals, For Homeless Residents; Services, Homeless, Services for the Homeless; Services, Substance Abuse Treatment (Drug/Alcohology) ; Shelter, Homeless Shelter; Training Classes, Computer Lab; Training Classes, Vocational; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types)
Updated Oct 11, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1527

Boston University Community Service Center, Student Food Rescue

Info/Hotline · Open

University
775 Commonwealth Ave, 4th Floor, Boston, MA 02215
Phone 617-353-4710 Fax: 671-353-9424
Web www.bu.edu/csc

The Community Service Center (CSC) is home to 13 student-run service programs. With a volunteer base of over 1,500 people the CSC annually contributes over 75,000 hours of service in the Greater Boston Area and around the US.

Food Runs:

Food run volunteers travel the city in groups of three salvaging food from donor sites and delivering it to area food pantries, shelters, and low income housing facilities. 22 food runs are scheduled each week at various times, ideal for any schedule. Food Runs involve a two-hour per week commitment lasting one semester.

Throughout the year SFR offers many one-time opportunities. These include two large food basket distributions occurring in November and April. Other events include a Trick-or-Can canned food drive on Halloween night and various educational events throughout the year. Student Food Rescue also coordinates field trips throughout the year, such as visiting Heifer International's Overlook Farm where volunteers enjoyed a meal while touring the farm and learning about the organization.

Services offered: Distribution, Supplies, Local Distribution of Supplies; Food, Distribution, Emergency Food Program; Services, Tutoring Services; Youth, After–School, Afterschool Program
Updated Sep 11, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1011

Boston University Medical Center

Info/Hotline · Open

Student Run
Various, 43 sites, Boston, MA
Phone 617–638–8491
Web www.aamc.org/uninsured/northeast.htm

Outreach Van Project
The Outreach Van Project was founded in 1997 by Boston University medical and public health students to provide health care to the medically underserved and homeless communities in Greater Boston. The Outreach Van offers food, clothing, blankets, and medical supplies, and provides weekly outreach assistance and medical services. By working closely with the community, the project has been able to identify individuals who otherwise would not seek medical care until their illness became critical.

Healthcare for the Homeless
Since 1985, Healthcare for the Homeless has provided clinical services at 43 sites throughout Boston for more than six thousand homeless men and women.

Boston HealthNet
Focusing strongly on urban health, Boston Medical Center is a founder of Boston HealthNet, the network affiliation of the medical center, Boston University School of Medicine and 15 community health centers. Boston HealthNet is an integrated health care delivery system whose partners provide outreach, prevention, primary care and specialty care and dental services at sites located throughout Boston's neighborhoods.

Contact: Gina DiGravio, media relations, 617–638–8491
gina.digravio@bmc.org

Services offered: Medical, Facility, Clinic, Free Clinic
Updated Oct 11, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1549

Carlos Henrique, State Rep Massachusetts Suffolk

Info/Hotline · Open

Boston, MA
Web voteforcarlos.com
Service Temporary

He reportedly has a background as a community organizer on the Bds of Kroc Community Center, Boston Connects and the Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative. (The neighborhoods are frequently organized in street groups). Also Rock the Vote, Part of the Solution and many others.

Services offered: Advocacy, * (ANY/ALL Types); Advocacy, Economic Justice for Impoverished Populations; Advocacy, Health & Human Rights; Advocacy, Housing, Community, Housing Development; Advocacy, Human Rights; Advocacy, International Policy; Advocacy, Legislation Support; Advocacy, Services, Youth Services; Advocacy, Social Justice; Advocacy, Social Justice, Fair Labor/Worker Rights; Advocacy, Voters Advocacy; Demographic Served: Addicts, Recovering; Demographic Served: Families; Demographic Served: Families, w/Young Children; Demographic Served: Homeless; Demographic Served: Homeless, Women Only; Demographic Served: Hungry; Demographic Served: Immigrants; Demographic Served: LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender); Demographic Served: Low Income Folks; Demographic Served: Low Income Folks, Women Only; Demographic Served: Migrants; Demographic Served: Refugees; Demographic Served: Seniors / Elderly; Demographic Served: Social Peers; Demographic Served: Survivors, Violence; Demographic Served: Teens; Demographic Served: Teens, Troubled; Demographic Served: Veterans; Demographic Served: Victims of Economic Injustice, Urban; Demographic Served: Victims of Environmental Injustice; Demographic Served: Victims of Political Crimes; Demographic Served: Victims of Sexual Exploitation; Demographic Served: Vulnerable & Marginalized Populations
Campaigns: Government, Elected Official; Social Activists/Organizers
Updated Jul 4, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/8729

Front Door Collaborative

Info/Hotline · Open

125 Lincoln Street; 5th floor, Boston, MA 02111
Phone (617) 425–6789
Web www.frontdoorcollaborative.org
Serves Residents of Boston
Service Temporary

For Residents –

THE GREAT 8 RESOURCE GUIDE
8 Categories of Resources to Help Residents to Stay Housed

–Financial Management
–Workforce Development
–Home & Family
–Working With Landlords
–Moving
–Furniture
–Eviction Resources
–Keeping Current
–Plus One

Services offered: Advocacy, Housing, Eviction Defense; Demographic Served: Homeless; Directories, Directory of Services, City/Town; Directories of Services & Programs * (ANY/ALL Types); Financial Assistance, Food Stamp Program; Housing, Online Housing Directory Resource; Information Resource, County Resources, Contacts & Services (County Level)
Updated Dec 4, 2009 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4783

Helping Hands, Monkey Helpers for the Disabled, Inc.

Donor · Open

Non–Profit
541 Cambridge St., Boston, MA 02134
Phone 617–787–4419

Helping Hands breeds, raises, trains, and provides, free of charge, capuchin monkeys to assist severely disabled individuals –– e.g., quadriplegics (paralyzed from the neck down), whether by accident, injury, or disease –– with daily activities we take for granted such as eating and drinking, using books, computers, and audio–visual equipment, turning lights on and off, repositioning an arm or leg after a muscle spasm, even scratching an annoying itch. In many cases the monkeys make it possible for people to work from their homes. The advantages of monkeys for animal support are greater intelligence, far greater dexterity, and much longer lifespan –– 30–40 years. Helping Hands has placed over 60 monkeys nationwide, provided customized adaptive equipment, in–home training for the injured individuals, their health care attendants and family members, and behavioral and veterinary support for the monkey's lifespan. Each placement costs Helping Hands $25,000. Now that the value and viability of the program have been proven, HH is raising its productivity to a higher power by creating a full–scale, permanent, state–of–the–art Training and Respite Center in a 150–year–old abandoned Boston church. They have been awarded a $1 million challenge grant to get this project off the ground. Now they must match that, and your helping hand is needed!
Updated Jun 7, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1023

Long Island Shelter

Shelter · Open

Community
Long Island Health Campus, Boston, MA
Phone 617–534–2526

Long Island Shelter is an emergency shelter operated by Boston Public Health Commission Homeless Services Bureau located on Long Island Health Campus, Boston, MA. Long Island Shelter provides food, emergency clothing, rental lockers, health care, case management and a variety of beyond shelter services.

There are 386 beds available for adults 18 and over (333 for men and 53 for women). Transportation is provided from our intake site at 784 Rear Massachusetts Avenue (Woods Mullen Shelter) from 3:00pm to 7:00pm daily. MBTA buses transport guests from Long Island Shelter back to Boston every morning.

Schedule subject to change on weekends and holidays. Call Woods Mullen Shelter at 617–534–7101 or Long Island Shelter at 617–534–2526 for more information.

Meals
Breakfast, lunch and dinner meals are served to guest in our beautiful diningroom overlooking the City of Boston Skyline.

Other services available at the Long Island Shelter

Work Experience Program
Case Management
Health Services

Services offered: Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Meals, For Homeless Residents; Medical, Non-Emergency Medical Services; Mental Health Services; Shelter, Emergency Shelter; Shelter, Homeless Shelter
Updated Jun 24, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1026

Mary E. Sargent House

Shelter · Open

Group Home
577 Mass. Ave., Boston, MA 02118
Phone 617-437-1319
Serves Boston, MA
Eligibility Teenage Boys Referred by DSS
Service Temporary

Transitional house for DSS-referred teenage males

Information gathered from: http://www.boston.com/lifestyle/articles/2007/11/22/where_to_help/?page=4

Long-term boys' group home
Need: Money, clothes, blankets, houseware, sports equipment, free activities (movie or theater tickets), games, toys for boys, books.
Contact: Victor Diaz, 617-437-1319

Services offered: Housing * (ANY/ALL Types); Housing, Group Home, Teen, Teenage Boy's; Services, Family, Children * (ANY/ALL Types of Childrens Services)
Updated Dec 3, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1044

Casper Emergency Service Center

Walk-in Resource · Open

Community
240 Albany St., Cambridge, MA
Phone 617-661-0600

Serving the homeless.
Updated Mar 27, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1014

Hildebrand Family Self-Help Center

Shelter · Open

614 Massachusetts Ave., 3rd fl., Cambridge, MA

34 families

Services offered: Shelter * (ANY/ALL Types); Shelter, Homeless Shelter
Updated Jan 23, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1034

On the Rise

Shelter · Open

Womens Day Shelter
341 Broadway, Cambridge, MA 02139
Phone 617-497-7968
Web www.ontherise.org
Service Temporary

Day help for homeless women. Immediate and long-term support for women who are homeless or in crisis whose needs cannot be met by traditional social services.

Who We Serve

On The Rise serves women who:

-Are homeless by a broad definition of lacking a permanent, safe, secure place to live
-Are in crisis
-Have experienced traumatic physical and/or emotional abuse by people and/or systems
-Are falling through the cracks of our human service system because of the multiple and complex issues they face, and
-Are poor

These women may be straight, lesbian, bisexual or transgender. They struggle with complicated internal and external challenges that might include:

–physical medical problems
–chronic diseases
–mental health conditions
–substance use or abuse
–beginning recovery/maintaining sobriety
–legal issues (civil and/or criminal as plaintiffs or defendants)
–immigration
–few, if any, familial supports
–fear of systems
–guarded behavior
–violent behavior
–contradictory verbal and non–verbal communication
–bad luck, and experiences of discrimination, racism, sexism

WHAT WE DO

A LIFESAVING RESOURCE

On The Rise is a unique and effective day–time program that is a lifesaving resource for nearly 300 women each year who are homeless or in crisis in the Greater Boston area. Each year, approximately 90 women come to On The Rise for the first time. We serve 25–35 women daily and 80–95 women each month.
A woman's participation is always voluntary. There is no set 'graduation' from On The Rise based on program outcomes; instead there are supportive relationships that stick with women through whatever it takes for her to move to new levels of self–efficacy, health, and stability.

All aspects of On The Rise's work with women is carried out day–to–day by a team of five Community Advocates. Community Advocates are not assigned to work with a particular woman, but collaborate as a team to provide the most caring, motivational, and individualized support. The team includes both licensed social workers and staff who have come through their own experiences of homelessness, addiction, and violence.

Services offered: Advocacy, * (ANY/ALL Types); Counseling, Domestic Abuse Support; Counseling (Free or Sliding Scale) * (ANY/ALL Types of Counseling); Demographic Served: Low Income Folks; Services *0* (Choose this if You Provide or Need ANY Type of Social Services); Services, Homeless, Services for the Homeless; Shelter * (ANY/ALL Types); Shelter, Day Shelter
Campaigns: Homelessness Relief Services
Updated Dec 28, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1007

Shelter Inc. (Cambridge Shelter)

Shelter · Open

109 School St., Cambridge, MA 02139

Phone	617–864–8140
Web	www.shelterinc.org
Hours	24x7
Checks payable to	Shelter, Inc.
Service	Temporary

From the website:

It is the mission of Shelter to end homelessness in the lives of individuals and families by providing housing options and effective supportive services while promoting policy and practices necessary to change those conditions that create homelessness.

The Cambridge Shelter provides emergency shelter, food, clothing and case management services to homeless individuals. Following an initial 3–day period, clients may apply for an extended stay to concentrate on setting and achieving individual goals leading to next–step appropriate housing and, if needed, continuing supportive services; capacity of 21 – 15 men and 6 women each night.

Women's Drop–In is a daytime program offering a safe haven, nutritious meals, clothing, counseling, skills development, referrals and a community of support to homeless women. Located in the Cambridge Shelter, Women's Drop–In serves

almost 2,500 meals per year and has empowered many women to make positive changes in their lives.

Program Coordinator: Charlene Tierney
Tele: 617–547–1885
Address: 103–109 School Street
Cambridge, MA 02139

If you'd like to mail a donation, please use the following address:

Shelter, Inc.
PO. Box 390516
Cambridge, MA 02139

NOTIFY Veronica Moore
OF DELIVER OF ITEMS.BEFORE DELIVER

Services offered: Advocacy, Volunteer, Resource Referrals; Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Housing Resource Referrals; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Clothing, All Sizes, New or Gently Used * (ANY/ALL Types) ; Counseling (Free or Sliding Scale) * (ANY/ALL Types of Counseling); Meals, For Homeless Residents; Shelter, Homeless Shelter; Training, Services, Employment /JobTraining
Campaigns: United Way
Updated May 19, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1049

Solutions At Work

Walk–in Resource

Community
1151 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA

Includes clothing program located at 391 Everetze Way, Cambridge. Contact: Sonya Darcy 617–576–0039.
Updated Mar 27, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1022

Transition House

Shelter · Open

Womens/Family Shelter
649 Mass. Ave., Suite 6, Cambridge, MA
Phone 617–661–7203

In 1975, Transition House opened the second battered women's shelter in the United States, and the first on the east coast. Two survivors of intimate partner violence opened their tiny apartment to homeless battered women. Within weeks, the floors of the apartment were covered with sleeping bags and mattresses. Understanding the enormous need for refuge for homeless battered women and children, these two women joined with other community activists in Cambridge to purchase a site for Transition House. Over the years, Transition House has sheltered over 5,000 battered women and children.

Services offered: Shelter, Womens, Battered Womens Shelter
Updated Sep 12, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1042

Brookview House

Info/Hotline · Open

2 Brookview St., Dorchester, MA 02124
Web www.brookviewhouse.org/index.html
Checks payable to Go to: http://www.brookviewhouse.org/donate.html

When Brookview House opened its doors in 1990 two bedroom apartments rented for less than $600, most jobs that paid a living wage did not require a degree and families were the smallest portion of the homeless population. Since then, much has changed. Rents in Boston are more costly than New York City, few opportunities exist for low–skilled workers and families now represent more than one–third of the homeless.

Brookview House has faced these changes head–on growing into one of the largest and most successful transitional housing centers in Massachusetts. The agency has moved close to 500 families into permanent housing, developed productive skills and interests for thousands of children during out–of–school time programs, and supported homeless parents as they worked to develop careers with which they

are sustaining their families. Simply put, the Brookview House model works.

Rather than merely providing housing, Brookview House uses an award–winning model to address the myriad of obstacles families face in maintaining housing. The organization serves more than 400 homeless children and their families annually providing them with strategically aligned support services that foster independence. Families who complete our program have achieved a 91% success rate in remaining housed.

Updated Mar 26, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1039

Family House Shelter

Shelter · Open

317 Blue Hill Ave., Dorchester, MA 02121

Phone 617–427–4470

Services: Shelter, housing placement, and basic social services, including medical assistance, budget planning, children's activities, etc.

Services offered: Advocacy, Health & Human Rights; Medical, Services, Medical Care * (ANY/ALL Types); Shelter, Homeless Shelter; Training Classes, Financial, Money Management; Volunteer, Child Care

Updated Apr 19, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1030

Horizons for Homeless Children

Walk–in Resource · Open

Non–Profit Community Outreach

90 Cushing Ave., Dorchester, MA 02125

Phone 617.445.1480 x301
Web www.horizonsforhomelesschildren.org

Horizons for Homeless Children improves the lives of homeless children by providing early care and education in our Community Children's Centers, creating Playspaces (recreational spaces) in shelters throughout Massachusetts and recruiting thousands of volunteers to help us in our efforts. Horizons for Homeless Children is a leader in advocating for homeless children and their families. At the local, state and federal levels, we promote and support policies that will benefit homeless children and families. We also share our knowledge and expertise with other service providers.

Services offered: Jobs, Paying; Services, Family, Children * (ANY/ALL Types of Childrens Services); Services, Family, Children, Child Care Program; Youth Program

Campaigns: Homelessness Relief Services

Updated Apr 27, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1031

Log School

Walk–in Resource · Open

222 Bowdoin St., Dorchester, MA

Phone 617–474–1231

Clothing and food pantry, day care, after–school care, homework center, adult ESL, and GED program

Updated Jan 22, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1009

Project Hope

Walk–in Resource · Open

45 Magnolia St., Dorchester, MA

Service Temporary

Food pantry serving surrounding community, open three mornings a week, serving more than 200 families a month.

Services offered: Food Distribution, Food Pantry (Distributes to the Public)

Updated May 28, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1027

Quincy Street Missional Church (Ma Siss's Place)

Walk–in Resource · Open

Non–Profit, Faith–Based, Humanitarian Outreach
266 Quincy Street, Dorchester, MA 02125

Phone 617–436–1618
Web www.quincystreet.org
Hours 11am - 6pm
Service Permanent

quincystreetchurch@gmail.com

Ma Siss's Place
266 Quincy Street
Dorchester, MA 02125

Quincy Street is a church plant that started in December 2002 as a Bible Study and grew into a church. We are a community of people from very diverse backgrounds that desire to love God and love our neighbors as we actively follow the example of Jesus Christ. While we may seem to many to be a mission where others come to serve our community, it is our desire to also be a missional church where we see send help and ministry to others throughout the world. We do not just want to be a missionary receiving church but a missionary sending church!

Recyled garage turned church. Real neighborhood place.

Boston Globe, a 4 article series about the organization:

Ma Siss's place: The Birth of a Church
From a Dorchester chop shop, a place to pray

http://www.boston.com/news/local/massachusetts/articles/2007/12/23/from_a_dorchester_chop_shop_a_place_to_pray/

http://www.boston.com/news/local/articles/2007/12/24/a_call_to_serve_and_to_lead/

http://www.boston.com/news/local/massachusetts/articles/2007/12/25/a_crisis_year_a_christmas_comeback/

http://www.boston.com/news/local/massachusetts/articles/2007/12/26/and_who_now_will_lead_them/

Services offered: Advocacy, * (ANY/ALL Types); Advocacy, Battered Women ; Advocacy, Services, Youth Services; Assistance * (ANY Type of: Referrals or "How to" Assistance); Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Cleaning, Supplies * (ANY/ALL Types); Clothing, All Sizes, New or Gently Used * (ANY/ALL Types) ; Community Outreach Programs; Community Service Program; Counseling, Crisis Intervention Counseling; Counseling, Domestic Abuse Support; Counseling, Emotional; Counseling (Free or Sliding Scale) * (ANY/ALL Types of Counseling); Counseling, Spiritual; Counseling, Substance Abuse ; Counseling, Support Group (Post Disaster); Counseling, Trauma Counseling Services; Distribution * (ANY/ALL Types); Distribution, Clothing Distribution (To the Public); Distribution, Supplies, Local Distribution of Supplies; Donations, Drop–Off, Collection Site Location; Donations, In–Kind Donation, Services; Donations, In–Kind Donations Services, Small Lots; Events, Community Meetings; Events, Social, Holiday Event * (ANY/ALL Types) ; Facility: Community Center; Facility: Food, Emergency Food Center; Food, Baked Goods, Bread ** (ANY/ALL Types); Food, Distribution, Emergency Food Program; Food Distribution, Food Pantry (Distributes to the Public); Food, Non–Perishable Food * (ANY/ALL Types of Canned, Dry, Drinks, Snacks); Furniture, Furniture Bank; Hotline * (ANY/ALL Types); Hotline, Crisis Hotline; Hotline, Shelter Hotline (Find Help); Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Kitchen, Cooking Equipment, Pots & Pans; Kitchen, Cooking Equipment, Serving Utensils, Restaurant Grade * (ALL/ANY Type); Meals * (ANY/ALL Types) ; Meals, Congregate Feeding, Meals; Recycling, Recycling Network & Gift Recycling; Services *0* (Choose this if You Provide or Need ANY Type of Social Services); Services, Church/ Worship Services; Services, Family, Children, Emergency Child Care; Services, Family, General Family Assistance; Services, Respite Program/Services; Services, Senior/Elderly Services; Services, Women's Services; Services, Youth Services, Crime Prevention Programs; Toys, * NEW, In Original Packaging, Kids – All Ages (ANY/ALL Types) ; Training * (ANY/ALL Types of Instruction) ; Training Classes, Education, Parenting; Training Classes, Life Skills, Youth; Training, Medical, Education, AIDS/ HIV Workshops; Volunteers, Youth Volunteers (This facility accomodates Youth Volunteers) ; Youth, Mentor Program; Youth Outreach; Youth Program
Campaigns: TANF (Temporary Assistance For Needy Families)
Updated Oct 6, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/2788

Casa Nueva Vida

Shelter · Open

Homeless Shelter
Box 2115, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

Phone 617.524.6332
Web www.casanuevavida.org
Checks payable to Casa Nueva Vida

Casa Nueva Vida

Continues to be the only homeless shelter in Massachusetts with
a completely bilingual staff, making us uniquely capable of providing

a focused specialized package of services and programs to single Latina mothers and their children.

Programs
Casa Nueva Vida's mission is not solely based on providing safe, permanent and affordable housing for our homeless mothers and their at–risk children, but it also seeks to empower our residents to become independent of all forms of public assistance. All of our programs were created on the basis of the needs expressed by surrounding community members and shelter residents with the goal of accomplishing self–sufficiency.

Our agency provides the following programs:

English as a Second or Other Language
Computer/ Job Training,
Personal–Empowerment
Children's/ Teen's Education
Housing Support

Contact us for questions about donations:

General Items: itemdonations@casanuevavida.org
Furniture: furnituredonations@casanuevavida.org
Checks: checkdonations@casanuevavida.org
Credit Cards: creditcards@casanuevavida.org

Services offered: Shelter, Homeless Shelter; Training Classes, Computer Lab; Training Classes, ESL (English as a Second Language)
Updated Aug 26, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1033

Community Servings

Walk–in Resource · Open

Community Service
18 Marburry Terrace, Jamaica Plain, MA

Phone 617 522 7777
Contact Rebeca Ober
Email rober@servings.org
Web www.servings.org
Eligibility Critically Ill, Home–Bound, Local
Service Temporary

per Boston Globe article, December 24, 2009
Ami Albernaz

This Jamaica Plain–based program delivers free meals to critically ill people who can't shop or cook for themselves, and it's always looking for people to help prepare and package food. The time comitment is flexible; after attending an orientation session, volunteers can schedule in advance when they would like to come in (time slots are at least two hours). Drivers are also needed to deliver meals on Saturday mornings once a month. For more info, see www.servings.org/volunteer. To get started, contact Rebecca at the email address above.

Services offered: Demographic Served: Alzheimer's Patients; Demographic Served: Critically Ill, Home–Bound; Demographic Served: Disabled, Persons With Disabilities; Demographic Served: Hungry; Demographic Served: Seniors / Elderly; Demographic Served: Special Needs; Distribution, Mobile Distribution of Disaster Relief Supplies; Food Distribution, Canteen, Mobile Food Canteen; Food Distribution, Food Pantry, Mobile Food Pantry; Meals, Home Delivered Meals; Meals, Home Delivered Meals (For Seniors/Elders); Meals, Mobile Meals; Meals, Mobile Meals, Disaster Survivors (Available To); Meals, Mobile Meals (For Seniors); Meals On Wheels, Volunteer; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types); Volunteers, Short Term Volunteer Opportunities
Campaigns: Community Servings [homecooked meals delivered to critically ill people and their families]; Economic Solidarity and Cooperativism
Updated Apr 17, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/5791

Finex House Inc.

Shelter · Open

Box 1154, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130
Web www.geocities.com/finexhouse

Finex House is a battered women's shelter for battered women and their children who have disabilities. We are wheelchair accessible with two concrete ramps and an internal lift. Finex House also has a light coded signal

system for deaf battered women and their children. Finex House is an equal opportunity service provider and therefore, people of color and those who have disabilities as well as others are strongly encouraged to call for services. Three formerly abused women incorporated Finex House in 1983. Our m otto is; "I Belong to No One." Our mission is to provide shelter and services for all battered women and consequently we have provided outreach to those who have dropped through the cracks of existing service providers. Accordingly, Finex House provides emergency shelter and a comprehensive array of services for the most vulnerable of battered women, particularly for those who have disabilities.

A few of the services provided by Finex House are as follows:
*Wheelchair Accessibility
*Emergency Safe Shelter with 32 beds
*24 hr Hotline 617–288–1054
*Attorneys to go with battered women to court
*Housing Advocacy
*Crisis Intervention
*Emergency Response Services
*Special Needs Advice
*Child Advocacy and Support Programs (CASP)
*9 housing vouchers for those families we shelter
*Shelter Plus After Care Programs (S+P)
*Sign Language, Spanish, Cambodian and Haitian Creole
*Outreach and services for the Deaf
*Self Esteem Groups
*Three different types of Parenting Groups
*Two types of mental health therapy
*Help with moving
*Trauma Support and Counseling
*Day Care
*Substance Abuse Counseling
*Rehabilitative Therapy
*Elder services
*AA groups
*and much more I

In addition, Finex House has developed "Escape–A Handbook for Battered Women Who Have Disabilities"

Services offered: Advocacy, Court Advocacy, Volunteer; Advocacy, Disabled/Handicapped; Advocacy, Special Needs Folks; Advocacy, Volunteer, Resource Referrals; Counseling, Crisis Intervention Counseling; Counseling, Domestic Abuse Support; Counseling, Substance Abuse ; Counseling, Support Group * (ANY/ALL Types); Counseling, Trauma Counselor, Volunteer; Fence Repair, Volunteer; Interpretors, American Sign Language; Services, Family, Children, Daycare Services; Services, Senior/ Elderly Services; Shelter, Womens, Battered Womens Shelter; Translators, Spanish/English, Volunteers

Updated Apr 19, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1041

Mattapan Technology Learning Center Haiti Emergency Relief Fund (Greater Boston/ Mattapan School of Technology)

School · Open

24 Regis Road, Matttapan, MA 02126

Phone	(617) 298–0357
Web	www.mattapantech.com/supportcenter.htm
Hours	12–2:00PM
Serves	Haiti
Checks payable to	Mattapan Technology Learning Center Haiti Emergency Relief Fund
Service	Temporary

To make a donation online, click here (on site: <http://www.mattapantech.com/supportcenter.htm>
or send your donation to Mattapan Technology Learning Center Haiti Emergency Relief Fund, 24 Regis Rd, Mattapan, MA, 02126

The first delegation of the Mattapan Tech students will arrive in Port–Au–Prince on Friday evening and another delegation will leave for Miami Monday night and expect to be in Haiti Tuesday morning.

They are helping to connect relatives in USA with family members and friends in Haiti now. (1/14/10)

DIRECTIONS TO LOCATION: (They only want financial donations now. (1/14/10)
But keep this URL for later, donations in kind deliveries.
http://maps.google.com/maps?q=24+regis+rd,+mattapan+ma+02126&split=0&daddr=24+Regis+Rd,+Mattapan,+MA+02126&saddr=&rl=1&ie=UTF8&z=16
Campaigns: 2010 Haiti Earthquake
Updated Jan 14, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4957

Pantry Shelf, The

Walk–in Resource · Open

Food Pantry
105 Adams St., Quincy, MA 02169

Phone 617–773–6203
Web www.interfaithsocialservices.org/food_pantry.html
Hours Mon – Fri (walk–in basis) / Sat (by appointment)
Service Temporary

The Pantry Shelf provides free food for individuals and families in need, over 4000 South Shore households, over 10,000 people a year. We try to provide 3–5 days of food for our customers. They may come for food one time a month.

Our customers are South Shore residents who because of financial hardship need assistance with food. Many are on fixed incomes due to age or disability, while others are unemployed or Transitional Assistance recipients. Some come on a one time emergency basis, others on a more regular basis. They reside in one of the ten South Shore communities served by the Pantry Shelf: Braintree, Cohasset, Hingham, Holbrook, Hull, Milton, Quincy, Randolph, Scituate and Weymouth.

Most of our food is provided through the goodwill of hundreds of caring individuals, the various faith communities, businesses, schools, and civic and fraternal organizations. Monetary donations enable us to provide items not normally donated.

Volunteers dedicated to helping others staff the Pantry Shelf. There are many ways you can get involved; initiate or sponsor a food drive, volunteer on a regular basis or for special food drives, start a ?Bring a Can? basket in your home, office or regular meeting place. Become our partner as we work to help feed our neighbors on the South Shore.

Mon – Fri (walk–in basis)
10:00am – 11:45am

Sat (by appointment)
10:00am – 11:45am

Services offered: Food Distribution, Food Pantry (Distributes to the Public); Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types)
Updated Jan 26, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1015

Quincy Crisis Center

Walk–in Resource · Open

Faith–based Humanitarian Outreach
282 Billings Road; P.O. Box 31, Quincy, MA 02170

Phone Business/Volunteer 617–847–6967 Emergency Hotline 617–471–7075
Web www.sharingweb.org
Checks payable to Quimcy Crisis Center
Service Temporary

Hot Meal Program:
The Quincy Crisis Center's food programs include emergency food delivery, daily hot meals and a holiday meal program. A major piece of our mission is to "advance a culture of compassion." To that end, we encourage the donation of food, time, and relationship along with financial donations. Approximately 80% of the hot meals served in our noon feeding program are prepared and provided as in–kind donations from a variety of individuals, church and civic groups. We have a

"Walk the Block" program and other programs that solicit canned goods, holiday turkeys and hams, produce and baked goods for both feeding programs. A variety of individuals, churches, businesses and civic groups and organizations assist us. We minimize the money we actually spend on food by using what we have to encourage others to give of themselves.

LOCATION:

United First Parish Church
1306 Hancock Street
Quincy, MA

(Note, donations of food are accepted at the Crisis Center, not the church)

Services offered: Counseling, Crisis Counseling; Counseling (Free or Sliding Scale) * (ANY/ALL Types of Counseling); Demographic Served: Low Income Folks; Food Distribution, Food Pantry (Distributes to the Public); Food Distribution, Food Pantry, Mobile Food Pantry; Food, Holiday * (ANY/ALL Types) ; Meals * (ANY/ALL Types) ; Meals, Home Delivered Meals; Meals, Hot Meals; Services *0* (Choose this if You Provide or Need ANY Type of Social Services); Services, Senior/Elderly Services; Toiletries * (ANY/ALL Types); Visitation, Emotional Care, For Seniors, Volunteer ; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types); Volunteers, Groups of Volunteers (This facility accomodates Groups of Volunteers); Volunteers, Individual Volunteers (This facility accomodates Individuals Volunteers)

Updated May 14, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1016

Renewal House

Shelter · Open

P.O. Box 919, Roxbury Crossing, MA 02120

Web www.uuum.org/templates/System/details.asp?id=42140&PID=580830
Service Temporary

Battered women and children.

Renewal House is a spiritually based emergency shelter that provides support and extensive services for adults and their children escaping from abusive living situations.

Services offered: Services *0* (Choose this if You Provide or Need ANY Type of Social Services); Services, Homeless, Services for the Homeless; Services, Women's Services; Shelter * (ANY/ALL Types); Shelter, Battered Womens Shelter, Volunteer

Campaigns: Homelessness Relief Services

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Somerville Homeless Coalition

Shelter · Open

Non–Profit

237A Highland Ave, Somerville, MA 02134

Phone 617–623–6111
Web somervillehomelesscoalition.org
Checks payable to Somerville Homeless Coalition

The Somerville Homeless Coalition was founded in 1985 when community leaders, neighbors, church leaders, and city officials came together to address the issue of homelessness.

The result was the opening of Somerville's first and only shelter for homeless adults and the formation of the Somerville Homeless Coalition, Inc.

Today we operate two shelters, a food pantry, case management program and several housing programs. Come learn more about the programs and services we offer and new initiatives we are taking to address the issues of homelessness.

Our target population is the homeless and the poor of Somerville and the surrounding towns that do not offer the services we provide. Last year we served over 300 in our case management and housing programs and over 1,500 in our food pantries with Project SOUP.

The typical homeless family we see is a mother with two children. Many of these families receive welfare benefits, although some are working parents whose income is still so low they are in poverty.

The Somerville area's homeless population is quite diverse, and our range of shelters and services responds to this diverse constituency. We serve elders, single working adults, disabled individuals, and many families with children from newborns to teenagers.

Services offered: Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Food Distribution, Food Pantry (Distributes to the Public); Services, Family, Children, Child Care Program; Services, Homeless, Services for the Homeless; Shelter, Homeless Shelter; Training Classes, Education, Nutrition Education Classes; Training Classes, Financial Literacy; Training Classes, GED Preparation; Training Classes, Life Skills, Misc.; Transportation, Ride Service (FREE or Sliding Scale)
Campaigns: Homelessness Relief Services; United Way
Updated Jun 8, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1024

Somerville Homeless Coalition (Project Soup)

Walk–in Resource · Open

Grace Baptist Church; 59 Cross St., Somerville, MA

Phone	617–776–7687
Web	www.somervillehomelesscoalition.org/default.htm
Hours	M, T, F 10:00 – 2:00 PM, Wednesday 12:00 – 4:00 PM, Thursday 3:00 – 6:00 PM
Checks payable to	Somerville Homeless Coalition or go to: http://www.somervillehomelesscoalition.org/My_Homepage_Files/Page5.html

Project Soup, New England's first free supper program, opened in 1969. Recognized for its work to combat hunger. Project Soup serves 70 people a day. Food donations, monetary contributions, and volunteered time are always welcome and needed.

The mission of the Somerville Homeless Coalition is to provide vulnerable individuals and families with personalized supportive services and tailored housing solutions. We are committed to treating people with dignity and respect, always with the understanding that they are part of our community.

PANTRY HOME DELIVERY

Monthly groceries delivered to eligible elderly and disabled individuals in Somerville and Cambridge. By application only.

SERVE NEW ENGLAND

"Double–your–money" food package including meats, fresh fruits and vegetables, staples. $15 regular, $9 meat, $16 veggie package, and two hours community service monthly.

NUTRITION CLASSES

Project SOUP in collaboration with Operation Frontline offers nutrition classes in both English and Spanish. All classes are free, and conducted by local chefs in the Boston area.

BENEFIT OUTREACH

Project SOUP provides benefit outreach to our clients with food stamp application assistance, referrals to other agencies, health and nutrition outreach, etc.

Grace Baptist Churst
59 Cross Street, East
Somerville
M, T, F 10:00 – 2:00 PM

Wednesday 12:00 – 4:00 PM
Thursday 3:00 – 6:00 PM

East Pantry
100 Temple Street
Tuesday 3:00 – 5:00 PM
Saturday 10:00 – Noon

West Pantry
139 Alewife Parkway
Wednesday 11:00 – 2:00 PM

Dollar–A–Bag
59 Cross Street
Tuesday 3:00 – 4:00 PM

Community Suppers
First Congregational Church of Somerville
89 College Avenue, Davis Square
Monday – Beginning at 5:00 PM

Services offered: Advocacy, Disabled/Handicapped; Assistance, How to, File Food Stamp Application; Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Disabled, Accessible Housing Referrals for Disabled; Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Housing Resource Referrals; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Food Distribution, Food Pantry (Distributes to the Public); Food Distribution, Food Pantry, Mobile Food Pantry; Shelter, Homeless Shelter
Campaigns: 2020/2021 Pandemic, Coronavirus/COVID–19; Economic Solidarity and Cooperativism
Updated Apr 15, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1008

Alliance For Animals

Animal Shelter · Open

232 Silver Street, South Boston, MA 02127

Phone 617–268–7800
Web www.afaboston.org
Service Temporary

Services offered: Advocacy, Animals, Community Outreach Programs; Animals, Animal Care Services * (ANY/ALL Types)
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