

Greetings Winter Relief Partners,

Winter Relief is fast approaching! All Site Coordinators should have been contacted by your Segment Coordinators at this point – if for some reason you have not been contacted, please let me know and I will follow up with them. Many of our Coordinators are just getting back from vacations and busy summer schedules, so we thank you for your patience with us!

Reminders of Upcoming Meetings:

September 12: Shower Trailer Training, 7:00pm (at Arundel House of Hope, Glen Burnie)

September 12: New Site Coordinator/Volunteer Training, 7:30pm (at Arundel House of Hope, Glen Burnie); same program offered Sept 19.

September 19: Shower Trailer Training, 7:00pm (at Arundel House of Hope, Glen Burnie)

September 19: New Site Coordinator/Volunteer Training, 7:30pm (at Arundel House of Hope, Glen Burnie); same program offered Sept 12.

October 3: Winter Relief Kick-Off Meeting, 7:00pm at Trinity UMC, 1300 West Street, Annapolis.

November 14, December 12, January 9, February 13, March 13: Site Coordinator Meetings

**** Please note that the September 12 and 19 New Site Coordinator/Volunteer Training is an overview of our program and is designed for those who are new Coordinators or Volunteers who would like to know the ins and outs of the Winter Relief Program. *This is a one evening program being offered two separate times. The same is true of the Shower Trailer Training - same program offered twice to accommodate those who may have scheduling conflicts.***

We ask that ALL Site Coordinators attend the Kick-Off Meeting on October 3rd. Please send a representative from your site if you are unable to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Who are we?

There are many services available to our Winter Relief guests at Arundel House of Hope – Winter Relief is one of **many** programs offered by AHOH to the underprivileged throughout our community. I have attached our **Covenant Agreement** and ask that your site prayerfully consider the difference this agreement can make in the lives of our homeless community.

Here is a brief synopsis of what we offer:

- Our Day & Resource Center provides daytime shelter, hospitality services, sanitary services, and professional services.
- Our Community Recovery Center provides the opportunity for clients to participate in recovery and enrichment programs, as well as obtaining access to computers and laundry facilities.
- Our Medical Clinic provides free, comprehensive medical care to those who are uninsured or under-insured.
- Our housing programs provides transitional and permanent housing to homeless and disabled individuals through our Safe Haven and Wish House Programs, and our Patriot House Program which assists homeless Veterans as they transition back to independent living. Our newest Family Ministry Program provides a transitional housing program for families that

give adults and children the skills needed for self-sufficiency that can be used and passed on to future generations.

- Case Managers are provided as a service to our clients in all of our programs.

Please send agreements back to our Executive Director, Mario Berninzoni via mail, email or fax (addresses and numbers included in the Covenant Agreement).

Needs:

We have a few needs that we are placing on our wish list for Winter Relief – all of these donations are greatly appreciated!

- Socks (tube and wool)
- Men's underwear
- Zippered pillow covers
- Working clothes dryer
- Industrial shelves
- Blue Jeans and T-shirts
- Travel-size deodorant
- Disposable razors

We are also seeking volunteers to assist at the Intake Center in Annapolis between 1-4pm a few days a week starting in November. If you are interested, or know of anyone who might be interested, please let us know.

2017-18 Schedule:

We still have a few holes in our hosting schedule. Please let me know if you can accommodate any of these spots, or if you know of any potential sites that I can contact. The latest draft of the schedule is attached to this email.

Please remember that I can come out to your site during one of your organizational meetings if you feel that would benefit your volunteers and/or leadership teams. We also encourage you to invite your Segment Coordinator to one of your meetings – a great way to get acquainted with your WR point of contact, and to get any questions answered.

Thanking you in advance for a wonderful season full of blessings.

In His service,

~Pam

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