Arundel House of Hope



Winter Relief Emergency Shelter

What is Winter Relief and how can it help me?

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Winter Relief is an emergency shelter open from October to March.

Arundel House of Hope runs the shelter with the help of local volunteers.

Each week the shelter is at a different volunteer church host site.





Why Choose Winter Relief

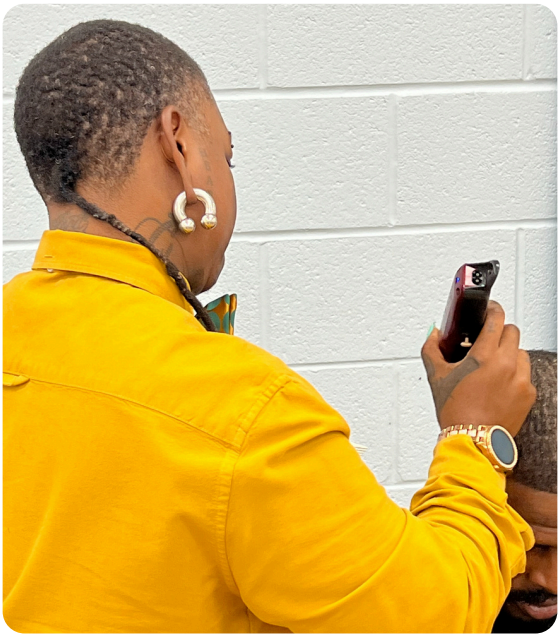
More than just a place to sleep.

A place to stay 7 days a week

Winter Relief gives you a safe place to stay 7 days a week, no matter the weather. You will usually arrive at the shelter in the early evening and stay until the next morning. On some weekends you can stay at the shelter during the day.

Hot meals and snacks

Volunteers provide hot dinners, breakfasts, and a bagged lunch every day. Snacks and plenty of coffee are also available.



Personal care and more

During Winter Relief, volunteers often offer haircuts, manicures, and other services not provided at the Day Center. You'll also have more chances to use showers and wash your clothes.



Entertainment and activitites

Most volunteer sites have TV, movies, puzzles, and games to enjoy. Many also have fun activities like Bingo, karaoke, crafts, and live music.

Friendships and connection

Volunteers are there to welcome you, talk with you, and get to know you. They enjoy doing little things to make your stay more comfortable. If you feel like talking, there is always someone to talk to. If you need some quiet time, you can relax at your cot or in a quiet room.

Time and support

Winter Relief gives you a safe place to sleep while you work on your goals. You can use other services, such as job training, and work with a caseworker for support. You can focus on your goals knowing you have a safe place to sleep, hot meals, and people who care about you.

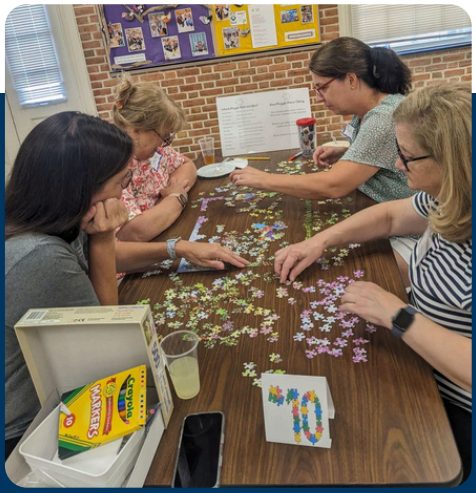
Frequently Asked Questions

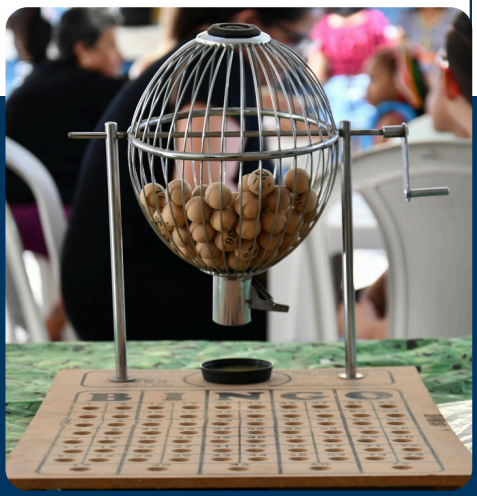
Can men and women stay in Winter Relief? What about children?
Winter Relief is open to men and women ages 18 and older.

Can I join Winter Relief if I have a criminal record?
Yes. People with criminal records can stay in Winter Relief. However, we cannot accept people who are on the sex offender registry, have an open warrent, or have certain serious violent offenses.

Do I have to pass a breathalyzer test or drug test to be in Winter Relief?
We do not routinely give breathalyzer or drug tests. Guests must be free from the effects of drugs and alcohol before going to the shelter each day. Drug and alcohol use is not allowed at Winter Relief.

Can I work while in Winter Relief?
Yes! We encourage guests to have jobs and will work with your schedule. Talk to the Winter Relief Program Coordinator a for more information.







How do I get to the shelter each day?
We provide transportation from our Day Center to the shelter host site every day.

What time do I need to arrive at the Day Center to travel to the shelter?
Most guests need to arrive at the Day Center by 4:00 p.m. to be taken to the shelter. This may be different for guests with jobs. Please talk to a case manager to learn more.

What do I do during the day when I'm not at the shelter?
The daytime is yours. You can go to appointments, go to work, or spend time at the Day Center.

Do I have to attend church services or Bible study?
No. You do not have to attend religious activities. All religious beliefs are welcome, including no religious beliefs.

If you have any questions about eligibility, policies, or procedures please talk to the Winter Relief coordinator or a case worker.







Sign-up for Winter Relief

To sign-up for Winter Relief call the Coordinated Shelter Line at 410-417-7260 ***or*** talk to a case worker at Arundel House of Hope for help.







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