



# **Lexington Office of Homelessness Prevention & Intervention Emergency Weather Plan 2018-2019**

This Emergency Weather Plan provides a coordinated response for times when extreme cold weather create additional, immediate need for expanded capacity to assist people experiencing homelessness in Lexington. Extreme temperatures often force people to seek shelter who may not otherwise seek assistance. In some cases, people struggling with mental illness may not seek shelter and require additional intervention for their own safety. This plan ensures Lexington is prepared for these situations.

The Emergency Weather Plan will be activated when measures of extreme temperatures are reached or when other severe weather conditions take place. Extreme temperature will be defined as:

- Any day when the temperature low is expected to fall below 32 degrees

The wind chill and heat index will be not taken into account in the determining temperature. Decisions about severe weather that takes place on days outside of extreme temperature situations will be made by the Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention in consultation with the appropriate authorities.

Any time the plan has been activated, the Office of Homelessness will notify local media, provide updates on social media, and notify all organizations that work with people experiencing homelessness.

It's important to note that, unless otherwise stated, these shelters and services are always available to people in Lexington who experience homelessness. The Emergency Weather Plan activates some changes such as transportation or extended hours but Lexington is fortunate to have a strong network of shelters and service providers that is able to meet most needs even during weather emergencies. See the table at the end of this document for a full comparison of services available.

## **Donations for Extreme Weather**

Public donations can be dropped off at any participating agency. In general, agencies will be in need of the following:

### ***Winter:***

- Blankets
- Hats
- Winter Boots/Shoes
- Winter Coats, especially size L, XL, and XXL
- Gloves
- Socks
- Scarves
- Hot Hands

## **Emergency Shelters**

***Emergency shelters welcome all eligible people during emergency weather including former residents under suspension for behavioral or programmatic reasons.***

Exceptions may include individuals suspended for violence and decisions will be made case by case. The OHPI will collaborate with providers and other resources to ensure emergency shelter is available for anyone in need. Stakeholders may contact the OHPI 24/7/365 for planning and arraignments.

**Emergency Weather Plan  
2018-2019**

	<b>Consistent Services</b>	<b>Additional Emergency Weather Plan Services</b> (This services are in additional to consistent services and only occur when OHPI activates the emergency weather plan) <b>Emergency Cold (Low Temp Below 32): 101 days</b>
<b>Emergency Shelters</b>	<p><b>Women and Women with Children:</b> <i>Salvation Army</i></p> <p><b>Men:</b> <i>Hope Center</i></p> <p><b>Men and Women:</b> <i>Catholic Action Center</i></p> <p><b>Children Ages Birth to 17 years:</b> <i>Arbor Youth Services'</i></p>	<p>24-hour emergency shelters welcome all eligible people during emergency weather including former residents under suspension for disciplinary or programmatic reasons.</p> <p>Exceptions may include individuals suspended for violence and decisions will be made case by case but providers and OHPI will collaborate to ensure emergency shelter is available for anyone in need.</p>
<b>Day Shelters</b>	<p><b>Adults 18 years and over</b> <i>New Life Day Center</i> <u>Operating Hours:</u> Monday – Friday 8:30 am to 3:30 pm.; Saturday 8:30 am to 11:30 am Employment information, clothing, medical care, Social Security, storage lockers</p> <p><i>Catholic Action Center</i> <u>Operating Hours:</u> 8:00 am to 10 pm Basic Needs, lockers, storage</p> <p><b>Youth 18 to 24 years and their children</b> <i>Arbor Youth Services Street Outreach Center</i> <u>Operating Hours:</u> Daily 10 am to 4 pm (extended hours as needed) Case management</p>	<p><b>Salvation Army</b> 736 West Main Street 859-252-7706 Offers a day shelter from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm for single women and women with children without the requirement of residency.</p> <p><b>Hope Center</b> 360 West Loudon Avenue 859-252-7881 Offer a day shelter from 8:00 am to 9:00 pm for single males without requirement of residency.</p> <p><b>Catholic Action Center</b> 1055 Industry Road 859-255-0301 Offers a day shelter from 8:00 am to 10:00 pm for single adults without requirement of residency.</p> <p><b>Arbor Youth Services Street Outreach Center</b> <b>Ages 18-24</b> 540 West Third Street 859-254-2501 Offers a day shelter for youth ages 18-24 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm – Monday through Friday.</p> <p><b>Arbor Youth Services Emergency Shelter</b> <b>Ages Birth to 17</b> 536 West Third Street 859-254-2501 Offers a day shelter for those 17 years of age and under,</p>

		24/7/365.
<b>Transportation</b>	None	<p><u>HopeMobile</u> – transportation to emergency shelter; provides blankets, food, water and other materials. Operates Monday through Friday during the day. 859-252-7881</p> <p><u>Street Outreach</u> – transportation to emergency shelter; provides blankets, food, water and other materials. 859-475-7173</p> <p><u>Compassionate Caravan</u> – transportation to emergency shelter; provides blankets, food, water and other materials. Operates as needed for cold extreme weather including night hours and weekends. 859-913-0038 – leave a message 859-255-0301 – main office number</p> <p><u>Lextran</u> - People in need of a ride to a shelter/day center may board Lextran buses at no charge.</p>

## **Consistent Services, Detailed**

### **Unaccompanied Women and Women with Children**

*Salvation Army*  
736 W. Main Street  
Lexington, KY 40508  
859-252-7706

- Services Available: emergency shelter, meals, showers, clothing as available. Emergency shelter will have expanded capacity during inclement weather.

### **Unaccompanied Men**

*Hope Center*  
360 W. Loudon Avenue  
Lexington, KY 40508  
859-252-7881

- Services Available: emergency shelter, clothing, meals, on-site HealthFirst clinic, non-medical detox, employment information, access to Hope Center programming (Veteran's Program, Mental Health, Men's Recovery, Employment, Social Services), and other services as needed. Emergency shelter will have expanded capacity during inclement weather.

### **Unaccompanied Men and Women**

***Catholic Action Center***  
1055 Industry Road  
Lexington, KY 40505  
859-255-0301

- Services Available: emergency shelter, meals, showers, phone service, connection to social services. Emergency shelter will have expanded capacity during inclement weather.

### **Unaccompanied Children and Youth Birth to 17 years**

*Arbor Youth Services*  
323 South Upper Street  
Lexington, KY 40507

859-254-2501

- Services Available: Emergency shelter and individualized attention to secure basic needs and appropriate shelter.

### **Day Shelters**

Day Shelters are facilities open during daytime hours as a place for individuals with no other place to seek refuge from emergency weather conditions. Each facility may have its own eligibility criteria for entrance.

#### ***New Life Day Center***

*224 North Martin Luther King Blvd.*

*Lexington, KY 40508*

*859-721-2325*

- Operating Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30 am to 3:00 pm; Saturday 8:30 am to 11:30 am
- Services: Connections to employment, clothing, medical care, Social Security, and other resources; storage lockers available.

#### ***Catholic Action Center***

*1055 Industry Road*

*Lexington, KY 40505*

*859-255-0301*

- Normal Operating Hours: 8:00 am to 10:00 pm – residents must check in for shelter bed by 9:30 pm.
- Services: Meals, Showers, Phone Service, Connection to Social Services.

#### ***Arbor Youth Services Street Outreach Center***

***(Youth 18-24 years old and their children)***

*540 West Third Street*

*Lexington, KY 40508*

*859-254-2501*

- Operating Hours: Daily 9:00 am to 4:00 pm (extended hours as needed – no one turned out to the street)
- Services: Individualized attention to secure basic needs and appropriate shelter.