MONMOUTH COUNTY HOMELESS SYSTEMS COLLABORATIVE



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Dear Sir/Madam:

For the past several years Monmouth County Homeless Systems Collaborative, in conjunction with United Way of Monmouth County, and Monmouth County Department of Human Services, has conducted a survey known as the Point-in-Time Count to identify the homeless population in Monmouth County. This survey is also part of an event called Project Homeless Connect, which links the homeless with various social services, health providers, and the distribution of necessities such as food, clothing, blankets, and hygiene products. This year, Project Homeless Connect will be held on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>January 29</u>, <u>2020</u> at four locations in Monmouth County: Asbury Park, Keansburg, Red Bank and Freehold.

Project Homeless Connect is a partnership of community social service agencies; government and non-profit organizations and faith-based organizations, as well as local businesses who generously donate their time, goods, and services.

It would be greatly appreciated if your business would donate any of these items to Project Homeless Connect. All donations will be recognized by Monmouth County and will be used for the sole purpose of providing assistance to the homeless in Monmouth County. Our goal is to help those who are experiencing homelessness and those who are at risk and connect them to services.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Kathy Weir, at the Monmouth County Department of Human Services, 732-431-6000 ext. 6122 or e-mail kathleen.weir@co.monmouth.nj.us. Thank you in advance for your consideration and support.



Donation and Volunteer Drive for Project Homeless Connect and Point in Time Annual Count to be held Wednesday, January 29, 2020

Project Homeless Connect (PHC) is a one day event sponsored by community leaders, which is designed to provide food, clothing, services and hospitality to our neighbors experiencing homelessness or who may be at risk of homelessness, using a one-stop model. Monmouth County has hosted successful PHC events over the last 10 years connecting community residents with critical services, and basic needs as they work to stabilize in housing.

Project Homeless Connect is held in 4 locations in Monmouth County. If you wish to assist at a particular site, please contact the person listed below.

- New Beginnings Agape Christian Center, 133 Throckmorton St., Freehold Rona Henderson, MCDSS, 732-431-6000 x 6194, Rona.Henderson@co.monmouth.nj.us
- St. Mark's Soup Kitchen, 247 Carr Ave, Keansburg
 Bea Oesterheld, CARC, 732-774-3282, <u>boesterheld@carcnj.org</u>
- Pilgrim Baptist Church, 172 Shrewsbury Ave., Red Bank Deacon Darlene Wilson, PBC, 732-774-3282, 732-676-0304
- Jersey Shore Rescue Mission, 701 Memorial Dr., Asbury Park Maura Comer, Interfaith Neighbors, 732-775-0525 x 205, maurac@interfaithneighbors.org

Point in Time Count (PIT)

The Point in Time Count is a comprehensive community wide survey of all those experiencing homelessness during a single 24 hour period. The PIT Count is conducted every year throughout the state of New Jersey on the last Wednesday of January. The survey is conducted with people living on the streets, in emergency shelters and transitional housing programs throughout the county. The survey is also conducted at each of the Project Homeless Connect sites.

How Can You Help

The Project Homeless Connect events and Point in Time Survey are only possible through the participation of community members. We are currently seeking donations to include in our essential items kits that are handed out to the homeless on the day of the count. Attached please find a list of donation items needed. We are also in need of volunteers to assist at the sites as well as to complete the Pointin-Time Survey.



Donations List

Address:

We are looking for the following items to be included in our essential kits which will be distributed to the homeless on January 29, 2020.

Coats and gloves may be gently used. All other items must be new

 Ready-to-eat foods 	 Hand warmers 	 Toiletries
o Gloves	 Nail cutters 	 Coupons/gift cards
Blankets	 Water bottles 	Socks
o Hats	 Flashlights 	 New Underwear
o Granola bars	o Coats	 Bags (i.e. reusable grocery bags)
o Date books	 Postage stamps 	*Children's coats, hats, gloves, etc.*

Agency/Organization/School (if applicable):

Contact Name:

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Phone #:	
FAX:	
E-mail address:	
Indicate which items you wish to donate:	Quantity of Items:
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PROJECT HOMELESS CONNECT

If you are a resident of Monmouth County and are in need of assistance, please join us for some food, warm coat, health screenings and information on housing and other services.







Wednesday, January 29, 2019 (9 am – 2 pm) at JERSEY SHORE RESCUE MISSION (701 Memorial Drive, Asbury Park)

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Interfaith Neighbors, Inc.
Kula Café
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PROYECTO CONEXIÓN SIN HOGAR

Si usted es residente del Condado de Monmouth y necesita asistencia, por favor únase a nosotros para obtener algunos alimentos, abrigo caliente, exámenes de salud e información sobre vivienda y otros servicios.







Miércoles, 29 de enero de 2019 (9 am – 2 pm) at JERSEY SHORE RESCUE MISSION (701 Memorial Drive, Asbury Park)

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