Homeless Survival Services Provided

Hospitality
- Sanctuary from the elements
- Hot beverage
- Bag lunch
- Restrooms

Home Base
- Mail service
- Phone service
- Assistance with ID
- Bus tickets

Consultation & Referral
- Emergency shelter
- Food
- Clothing
- Medical needs

SCREENING FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Persons asking for assistance at any of our participating faith communities may be referred to the Newark Empowerment Center for a personal interview with the Friendship House staff person.

Persons seeking financial help must:
- reside in the Greater Newark area,
- demonstrate that their income normally matches their expenses,
- show how the funds requested will resolve their current financial crisis.

If the above conditions are met, the NEC, through its faith communities, is usually able to provide some level of financial assistance, usually in the form of matching funds.

Financial assistance contact numbers:
- When NEC is open: 302/544-0165
- When NEC is closed: 302/652-3105

Financial Support
Contact:
Bill Perkins, Friendship House
FHB@msn.com
302/559-5716

Contributions may be sent to:
Friendship House, Inc.
P.O. Box 1517
Wilmington, DE 19899
Memo: "Newark Center"

In-Kind Donations
- Hot beverage items (coffee, tea, sugar, creamer, etc.)
- Bag lunches
- Hygiene items

Contact:
Claire Priester
Newark United Methodist Church
c18ire88@comcast.net
Debbie Galonsky
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
debbie.galonsky@agfa.com

NEC Volunteers
- Three-hour shifts, at least once a month

Contact:
Sheila Anderson
First Presbyterian Church
sbatree@hotmail.com

How To Help
**FRIENDSHIP HOUSE**

Friendship House is a non-profit Christian corporation committed to making a positive difference in the lives of the homeless people in Delaware. Working with over 100 faith communities in New Castle County, Friendship House operates a network of 3 day centers, 2 feeding programs, 1 emergency shelter, 8 transitional housing programs and the Clothing Bank of Delaware.

For more information on Friendship House, Inc., please visit www.friendship-house.org or contact Bill Perkins at fhbp@msn.com

**NEWARK HOMELESS COALITION**

An ad hoc Newark community coalition has worked with Friendship House, Inc., to find the best means to assist the homeless in the Greater Newark area. Nearly twenty faith communities and numerous community organizations have already chosen to join the Newark Homeless Coalition.

For more information, please contact Richard Waibel at rlwaibel@aol.com, or 302/737-7848.

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**Faith Community**

Nearly 20 congregations from the Newark area have become involved with the Newark Empowerment Center and the Winter Sanctuary Program through contributions, volunteer support, or referrals of people in need.

**Newark Empowerment Center**

Staffed by a Friendship House professional and supported by hospitality volunteers primarily supplied by the faith community, the NEC is open four afternoons weekly. Started in March 2007, the Center has already served more than 350 of Newark's citizens in need.

**Code Purple Winter Sanctuary**

This winter, Friendship House and the faith community of the Newark Homeless Coalition will try to operate an **overnight sanctuary whenever the wind chill factor falls below fifteen degrees Fahrenheit.**

This will not be a shelter; there will not be beds, showers, or lockers. It will simply be a warm, safe room in one of our churches, where people with no place to go that night can get inside, out of the cold. It will be open from 6:00pm to 6:00am. The host church will provide a light supper in the evening, hot beverages throughout the night, and transportation for those who need it in the morning.

For more information, visit the NEC during office hours or contact Bill Perkins at fhbp@msn.com.