



Safe Shelter in Canberra

A Combined Churches and Community Project

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Starting to feel a bit nippy in the mornings, isn't it?

For most of us, it's starting to feel a bit nippy when we step outside in the mornings. For those sleeping rough it felt freezing from about 1.00 am.

Safe Shelter for homeless men will be opening from Sunday 28 April until 26 October, providing just a warm but safe place for homeless men to sleep in a church hall in the inner-city area from 7.00 pm to 7.00 am:

All Saints Anglican Church, Ainslie, on Sundays & Mondays;

St Columba's Uniting Church, Braddon, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays; and

The Salvation Army Canberra City Corps, Braddon, on Fridays & Saturdays.

More details are in the poster attached to this e-mail.

We currently have over 75 volunteers signed up already. Most of those are returning volunteers from previous years. So far there have been fewer new volunteers than we expected so, if you know of someone over 18 who can bear to sleep one night each month on a church hall floor so that the homeless can come in off the streets, please get them to e-mail safeshelteract@gmail.com and come to a two-evening induction course to find out more.

Safe Shelter also needs urgent support from any city cafe or bakery that can provide a light takeaway breakfast that up to 8 guests can pick up at about 7.00 am on weekends and holiday Mondays, after the shelter has closed. If necessary, Safe Shelter will pay for meal vouchers. Again, please e-mail safeshelteract@gmail.com to discuss details.

In short, Safe Shelter needs more volunteers and an inner-city cafe or bakery that can assist with weekend and holiday breakfasts for the homeless men.

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