

Homeless Missions, Emergency Shelters, and Related Ministries in the New Orleans Area

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1. The New Orleans Mission (<http://neworleansmission.org/>)

Christian charity offers overnight shelter (including breakfast, lunch, and dinner), clothing, counseling, 1-year discipleship program and work program for those in need. Educational (GED & literacy) and medical services provided. Vision clinic on Saturdays. 200 beds for men, 34 for women, with new women's shelter opened in 2014. Chapel attendance required.

Admission: 4pm-6pm on Monday-Friday, 5pm-7pm on Saturday, 6pm-8pm on Sunday. Departure at 7am.

Location: 1130 Oretha Castle Haley Boulevard, at Interstate 10 in the Central Business District.

Phone: 504-523-2116. Women and children's nighttime emergency number: 504-301-4884.

2. The Salvation Army (<http://salvationarmyalm.org/nola/>)

"Center of Hope" facility provides overnight shelter (first 7 days free, \$10/night thereafter, vouchers accepted and available through benefit services). Breakfast and dinner. 58 beds for men, 61 for women, 6 family rooms. Longer-term transitional housing and work program offers 32 beds for men, 15 for women, and 10 family rooms, with legal and occupational services.

Admission: Must check into center between 4-6pm daily, departure at 7am.

Location: 4500 South Claiborne Avenue (at Cadiz Street, 2 blocks from Napoleon Avenue).

Phone: 504-899-4569.

3. Ozanam Inn (<http://www.ozanaminn.org>)

Catholic charity run by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Overnight shelter for men only, but women provided with vouchers to Salvation Army. Provides in-house counseling, case management and rehabilitation programs for dependency problems. Basic medical/dental services, haircuts and clothing. 96 beds, with additional 32 beds on freeze nights. All services free.

Admission: Paperwork and processing ends at 4pm daily, intake runs from 4.30-5.00pm daily. Depart after breakfast.

Location: 843 Camp Street (off Lee Circle, between Julia Street and St Joseph Street in the Central Business District)

Phone: 504-523-1184.

4. Bridge House and Grace House (<http://www.bridgehouse.org/>)

Offers comprehensive substance abuse and addiction recovery treatment. Residential, gender-specific program for medium-term (six months) or long-term (one year), moving from immediate stabilization to housing and job training. Counseling and case management provided for all clients. 84 beds for men (Bridge House), 70 beds for women (Grace House).

Admission: 8am-4.30pm, Monday-Friday (closed weekends).

Location: 4150 Earhart Boulevard, at South Dupre (between South Broad and Washington Avenue).

Phone: 504-821-7120.

5. Hope House New Orleans (<http://www.hopehouseneworleans.org/>)

Neighborhood center, not shelter. Offers adult education classes and GED prep, career development, emergency assistance for rent and utilities, food bank, and after-school recreation programs for youth. Maintains resource center with computers, internet, books and magazines, and coffeehouse with free coffee and pastries on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings.

Admission: 9am-1pm Mondays, 9am-4.30pm Tuesday-Friday. Closed weekends.

Location: 916 Saint Andrew Street, Irish Channel (at Laurel Street, two blocks off Magazine).

Phone: 504-525-2561.

6. Volunteers of America (<http://www.voagno.org/>)

Offers medium- and long-term transitional housing for homeless individuals and families. Provides counseling and services for those with mental illness, substance addiction, or disabilities. Special programs offered for homeless veterans.

Admission: 8am-5pm Monday-Friday.

Locations: 1801 Canal Street (one block north of I-10), and 3901 Tulane Avenue (at South Scott St in Mid-City).

Phone: 504-482-2130.

7. Rebuild Center (<http://harrytompsoncenter.org/>)

Day center (not shelter) offering wide range of services, including showers, restrooms, phone services, medical and legal services, case management and housing placement, haircuts, computers, IDs and birth certificates, and hygiene and guest supplies. A satellite location at the old Veterans Administration building, the Community Resource and Referral Center (CRRC), is dedicated specifically to veterans.

Admission: 8am – 2.30pm, Monday – Friday.

Location: Rebuild Center is located at 1803 Gravier Street in the CBD. CRRC located at 1530 Gravier in the VA building nearby.

Phone: 504-273-5547.

8. Health Care for the Homeless

City of New Orleans provides free primary care to homeless and transitional persons within city limits and surrounding parishes. Services include confidential care, diagnosis and treatment of medical illnesses, health screenings and annual exams for men and women, sexually transmitted diseases (STD) testing, chronic disease management, immunizations, lab services, dental services, and referrals.

Admission: 8am-12pm and 1pm-4pm, Monday to Thursday, and 8am-noon on Friday.

Location: 2222 Simon Bolivar Avenue, Floor 2 (at Philip Street) in Central City

Phone: 504-658-2785.

9. New Orleans Women's Shelter (women and children only) (<http://nolawomenshelter.org/>)

Shelter (not emergency) in secure facility offering case management, parent education, employment program, referrals, affordable housing assistance, educational opportunities, financial stability and aftercare programs. All services free. 40 beds for women and children.

Admission: Call to make an appointment. Phones staffed 24/7.

Location: 2020 South Liberty Street, between Josephine Street and St. Andrew Street in Central City.

Phone: 504-962-6697.

10. Metropolitan Center for Women and Children (women and children only) (<http://mcwcgno.org>)

Comprehensive center serving abused women and children. Services include individual advocacy, information and referrals, group support, children's program, medical advocacy, legal assistance in obtaining restraining orders, sheltering, counseling, safety planning, and caregiver support to survivors in eight southeast Louisiana parishes. All services free and confidential.

Admission: Call to make an appointment.

Location: Confidential. Services available in Orleans, Jefferson, St. Tammany and river parishes.

Phone: 24 hour crisis hotline: 504-837-5400. Toll-free: 1-888-411-1333 (if prompted, via link 211).

11. Lindy's Place (women only) (<http://www.lindysplace.org/>)

Shelter for women 21 and over who are homeless and in need of structured environment. Short (3-6 months) residential programs feature self-awareness workshops, meditations, educational seminars, quality mental and physical health care referrals, computer training classes and opportunities to pursue meaningful full-time employment.

Admission: Call to make an appointment. Phones staffed 24/7.

Location: 2407 Baronne Street at First Street, two blocks north of St. Charles Avenue in Central City.

Phone: 504-269-0184, extension 112.

12. Hagar's House Nola (for women and children only, including LGBTQ) (<http://www.hagarshousenola.org/>)

Residential community focusing on emergency and transitional housing for women and children, including LGBTQ. Services offered include shelter care, holistic recovery programming, financial and educational programs, community life, life skills classes, and immigration clinic for children. Affiliated food pantry available through First Grace United Methodist Church at 3401 Canal Street in Mid-City.

Admission: Call to make an appointment. Phones staffed 9-5am, 7 days/week (phones often staffed past 5pm for emergencies).

Location: Confidential.

Phone: 504-210-5064.

13. Covenant House (for youth and children under age 23 only) (<http://www.covenanthouse.org/>)

Offers free overnight shelter, hot meals and clean clothes, crisis care, health services, counseling, case management, transitional living programs, and educational/vocational services for area youth, including enrollment assistance in high school and college. Covenant House will not refuse or turn away anyone in need. All services free.

Admission: Open 24/7, 365 days a year. No reservation required.

Location: 611 North Rampart Street (at Toulouse Street) on the edge of the French Quarter.

Phone: 504-584-1111.

14. Project Lazarus (for HIV/AIDS patients) (<http://www.projectlazarus.net/>)

Assisted living facility for clients diagnosed with HIV/AIDS who have no other place to live. Services offered include hospice services, 24-hour assistance, personal care, case management, substance abuse treatment, pastoral care, wellness classes, transitional housing services, and therapeutic programs. The facility maintains a waiting list for the 23 beds available.

Admission: Upon referral and interview. Contact NO/AIDS Task Force (504.821.2601) or Unity of GNO (504-821-4496).

Location: Confidential, but based in the Faubourg Marigny.

Phone: 504-949-3609.

15. Bethel Colony (<http://bethelcolony.org>)

Christian-based substance abuse treatment facility for adult men and women who are struggling from addiction to drugs, alcohol or prescription pills. 6 month (men) and a 9 month (women) in-house Christian renewal center here to help those who really want to change. Program also available for women with children.

Admission: Application required. Open 9am-5pm, Monday-Friday.

Location: 4114 Old Gentilly Road, in Gentilly (across from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary).

Phone: 504-943-0456.

16. Baptist Friendship House (<http://www.baptistfriendshiphouse.org/>)

Transitional housing for homeless women with children. On Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-11am provide showers and clothing for women with children. On Wednesdays from 9-11am provide snack packs and hygiene kits for men, women and children. Other services available: literacy training, GED preparation, counseling and job readiness.

Admission: 9am-5pm, Monday-Friday.

Location: 813 Elysian Fields Avenue (on the edge of the French Quarter)

Phone: 504-949-4469

"For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a future and a hope."—Jeremiah 29:11