

Alameda County - Winter Emergency Shelter Resources

Winter 2025-2026

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East Oakland Community Project Crossroads Shelter	7515 International Blvd., Oakland, CA	December 22, 2025 through April 2026	10 Mats expansion during winter	Call 510-532-3211 (24hr telephone line)	For information on how to get a referral, call 510-532- 3211. Mats (along with linens and pillows) are also available on a walk-up basis. Cannot signup prior to 4pm. Overnight shelter 5pm – 7:30am.	Adults only 18+ Adult men and women. No pets.	No history of arson, no registered sex offenders. Able to conduct activities of daily living, and able to communicate verbally or in writing. Must comply with COVID testing; if tested positive for COVID, entry into the winter shelter is not allowed. First-come-first served for 10 mats. Need to have identification. Check-in before 4 pm. Dinner served at 5 pm; Breakfast is 7am. Individuals are required to return pillows and linens by 6am. Departure is after breakfast. Upon departure, individuals are required to take personal possessions with them – there is no storage for personal belongings. Disclaimer: if an individual is actively listed on the “red file” they are not allowed to enter the winter shelter. Staff will verify which individuals are red filed. Red file indicates violent behaviors or threats of violence, destruction of property, or other non-allowable acts.	Please call 510-532-3211 for more information
St. Mary’s Center	Hotel/Motel Vouchers Rapid Rehousing Support	November 1, 2025 – May 31, 2026	20 clients	Contact Senior Housing Services Helpline: 510-923-9600, Ext. 297 Monday to Friday 9:30am-4:30pm for availability and more information.	For information on how to get a referral, call 510-923- 9600 In-person intake first come, first serve from Monday – Friday, 10am-2pm	Seniors 55+ Case management and housing navigation will be provided to those who are eligible. A limited number of hotel vouchers will be available for vulnerable homeless seniors with medical and other critical shelter needs and who are enrolled in case management.	Case management and housing navigation will be provided to those who are eligible. A l i m i t e d n u m b e r o f h o t e l v o u c h e r s w i l l b e p r o v i d e d t o v u l n e r a b l e h o m e l e s s s e n i o r s w h o a r e e n r o l l e d i n c a s e m a n a g e m e n t. Worker of the Day Monday through Fridays, 10am – 2pm. Coordinated Entry on drop-in basis, during these hours. Housing Clinics on Mondays and Wednesdays (excluding holidays) 10:30am – 12pm.	Please call 510-923-9600 x297 for more information

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Building Futures	City of San Leandro	December 1, 2025, to March 31, 2026	Limited slots	Call 510-686-2332	City of San Leandro Mobile Street Outreach	Adults experiencing homelessness, priority given to individuals over 65 and/or with chronic health conditions	Winter Warming services provided to individuals experiencing homelessness with priority given to such individuals over 65 or with chronic health conditions, with emergency shelter in hotel accommodations during the months in which inclement weather is anticipated. Drop-in hours at 555 Lewelling Blvd., San Leandro. Monday – Friday, 9am-4pm. Coordinated Entry assessments to gain access to further housing resources.	Please call 510-686-2332 for more information
City of Alameda Warming Shelter	Will rotate between three churches in Alameda. See dates/details	December 1, 2025, to April 30, 2026	25 individuals per night	First come, first served. For evenings or weekends, call 211 to access resources county-wide.	Walk in and intake begins at 6:00 pm daily. Please check dates for location. Three City of Alameda congregations are participating in the 2025-26 season.	Adults, City of Alameda Residents, one pet per person allowed. Need to be unhoused in the City of Alameda. - Dec 1- 21: Christ Episcopal Church, 1700 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda - Dec 22- Jan 4: Trinity Lutheran Church, 1323 Central Ave, Alameda - Jan 5 – Feb 9: Christ Episcopal Church, 1700 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda - Feb 10 – Feb 24: Twin Towers United Methodist, 1411 Oak Street, Alameda - March 3 to April 30: Christ Episcopal Church, 1700 Santa Clara Ave	First come first serve. Guests must complete an intake process. The shelter is open nightly from 6:00 pm to 7:00 am. Overnight guests receive dinner at 7:00 pm, breakfast at 6:30am. One approved and screened pet is welcome per guest. Space is limited. Christ Episcopal Church site ONLY Showers are available on Wednesday and Thursdays from 6:00 pm-8:00 pm for shelter guests and Sundays from 12:00 pm-4:00 pm for the public. Showers are only available at the Christ Episcopal Church site, 1700 Santa Clara Ave. Limited onsite storage of belongings while showering is provided.	Please call Ceedral Armstrong, Director of Interim Housing, Episcopal Community Services for information. (628) 233-2545

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City of Berkeley – Inclement Weather Shelter	Veteran’s Building 1931Center Street, Berkeley, CA 94704	Call 211 for Berkeley Shelter information	40 guests	Dorothy Day House will notify the community when the shelter will be activated	Intake is done on a drop-in basis. Program will document via HMIS all clients who receive nightly services. DDH will coordinate with HRC outreach teams to transition willing clients to traditional shelter.	Adult only households are accepted via drop-in basis until the shelter is at capacity.	The shelter is only activated based on the weather conditions: if there is a 50% or more chance of rain or 45 degrees or below each night. Dinner served on nights the shelter is open.	Dorothy Day House at BCRC @ 510-705-1325
City of Berkeley – Berkeley Emergency Storm Shelter	4300 San Pablo Ave Emeryville, CA 94608	Call 211 or HRC for Berkeley Shelter information	32 guests	211 or HRC	The shelter will be operating 24 hours a day from December 1, 2025 - April 14, 2026, during the season. Referrals will come through Coordinated Entry	Adult only households. Referrals are determined through the Coordinated Entry process	Coordinated Entry Crisis Assessment	Bay Area Community Services In person drop-in hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm Call-in hours: Monday – Friday 8:30 am – 4:30 pm 2809 Telegraph Avenue Suite 202, Berkeley, CA 94705 (510) 495-0131
City of Fremont Winter Relief Services	Fremont: Scattered Site	November 3, 2025- April 2, 2026	40 Household slots	n/a	Referrals from street outreach	Adults and families who are residing in Fremont	Unsheltered people who reside in Fremont may be considered eligible if they meet at least one of the following two requirements and have been referred through specifically designated partner agencies only. 1. Household with Minors • Physical custody of at least one minor who will be sheltered daily. 2. Encampment Intervention • Those individuals identified by City of Fremont staff during encampment response efforts. There is no waitlist to join, and self-referrals are not accepted.	Please call 510-574-2222 or email homelessness@fremont.gov for more information
City of Newark Warming Centers	No Winter Shelter but daytime warming centers	City of Newark has identified locations where people experiencing homelessness can seek warming indoors only during regular daytime business operating hours at the following locations: Newpark Mall 2086 Newpark Mall, Newark 510-931-5049; Silliman Activity & Family Aquatic Center 510-578-4629: 6800 Mowry Ave, Newark; Newark Senior Center: 7401 Enterprise Dr., Newark, CA						Please call Newpark Mall at 510-931-5049 or Silliman Activity & Family Aquatic Center at 510-578-4629 for more information
City of San Leandro Drop-In Center Operated by Building Futures with Women & Children	555 Lewelling Blvd., San Leandro, CA (510) 722-2555	Year-Round Drop-In Center Excluding Holidays Please call (510) 722-2555 for more information	N/A	Drop-In Center is open: Monday – Friday 9:00am-4:00pm Showers and Laundry available: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays 9:30am-2:00pm	N/A	Unhoused, 18+ Pets allowed (must be on leash/vaccinated/ well behaved)	Offers support services for unhoused individuals, including access to showers, laundry, meals, and housing navigation. Monday-Friday, 9:00am-4:00pm Showers and Laundry Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays 9:30am-2:00pm	Please call (510) 722-2555

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Village of Love Day Center - Overnight Shelter	431 Stardust Place, Alameda, CA	Year-Round shelter facility	16 cots	510-995-8936	Come to the Center between 9:00 am and 6:00 pm and register for a place to sleep.	Adults only. Pets on a first come, first served basis. Need to be unhoused in the City of Alameda.	Operation hours are 23/7. Program closed from 8:00 am to 9:00 am. Beds are available on a walk-in first-come first-served basis; for overnight shelter, arrive by 7:00 pm to register for a cot. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are provided. Intake for Day Center services occurs from 9:00 am to 7:00 pm at the same location.	Please call 510-995-8936 or email info@thevillageoflove.com for information.
First Presbyterian Church of Hayward in Castro Valley	2490 Grove Way., Castro Valley, CA (510) 634-4750	Year-Round shelter facility	50 mats	Call first for availability (510) 634-4750 Monday-Friday 10am-4pm	Cohort model Call first for availability (510) 634-4750 M-F 10am-4pm for daytime – Resource Center open for everyone. Winter nightly shelter is for permanent residents only. To be considered must come Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12pm – 3pm for raffle for a permanent registration bed. For non-permanent guests arrive 6:30pm-8pm for raffle for one-night bed Monday – Sunday. Safe parking registration is Tuesday and Thursday, 12pm-3pm.	Adults (18+); Guests must be able to care for themselves (i.e. transfer, toilet, eat, get up from the floor, and dress); Pet okay and must have a crate for sleeping.	Please only enter on the Grove Way entrance. Doors open from 10am-4pm for everyone. However, 6:30pm, dinner is served. Check-in ends at 8pm. Breakfast served to those who stay the night. Must be off property by 7am. There is the possibility to park and live in your car on site but need prior registration. Park and live aka Safe Parking program registration is Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12pm-3pm. Showers are Mondays, Wednesday, and Fridays from 10am-4pm.	Please call (510) 634-4750 for more information
South Hayward Parish Shelter	South Hayward Parish 27287 Patrick Ave Hayward (510) 634-2229	Year-Round shelter facility	25 mats	Call first for availability (510) 634-2229 Monday-Friday 10am-4pm	Cohort Model Call first for availability (510) 634-2229 M-F 10am-4pm for daytime – Resource Center open for everyone. Winter nightly shelter is for permanent residents only. To be considered must come Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12pm – 3pm for raffle for a permanent registration bed. For non-permanent guests arrive 6:30pm-8pm for raffle for one-night bed Monday – Sunday.	Adults (18+); Guests must be able to care for themselves (i.e., transfer, toilet, eat, and dress); No pets.	Doors open 6:30pm, dinner is served. Check-in ends at 8pm. Breakfast served to those who stay the night. Must exit by 7am. Showers are Mondays, Wednesday, and Fridays from 10am-4pm.	Please call (510) 634-2229 for more information

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St. Vincent de Paul Community Center	St. Vincent de Paul 675-23rd Street Oakland, 94612 Between MLK and San Pablo Ave.	Year-Round shelter facility	65 beds	(510) 638-7600 during the day hours – 8am-4pm	Lineup-up time starts at 5pm; doors open at 6pm. Individuals will be searched for drugs, alcohol, weapons, and marijuana – these are not allowed inside.	Adults and Couples over the of 18 years of age. No children.	Open from 6pm-8am. Doors close at 9pm with no in-and-out privileges. Walk- in only on a first come-first-served basis. Please call (510) 638-7600 for more information. Community Center open for showers (come at 9am for registration), meals, laundry, Tuesday-Saturday 9am-12pm; and 12:30pm-2pm (showers must finish at 2pm). Clothing closet from 9am-11am on Tuesdays and Thursdays only for adults. Individuals must follow rules, regulations, and policies, and must be ambulatory (able to move without assistance from staff). Must be free of flu, cold, and submit to a COVID test and test negative prior to entry. No pets – including service or emotional support animals. Individuals are allowed only two (2) items that are small to fit under cot that is 8 inches from the floor. Do not allow shopping carts. No blankets, towels, linens, pillows – these items are provided by the shelter. Snacks, Dinner, and breakfast are served. All guests must leave by 8am and cannot stay in front of the shelter. Disclaimer: if a guest has been exited from the shelter in the past, they will not be allowed entry into the shelter.	Please call (510) 638-7600 for more information, call 8am – 4pm
Open Heart Refuge	450 N. Livermore Ave. Livermore, CA 94551	Year-Round shelter facility	30 beds (20 reserved beds, 10 one-night raffle beds)	Call for more information (925) 580-1616 M-F 9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Reserved Bed/Cohort Model Call first for availability (925) 580-1616	Adults (18+); Guests must be able to care for themselves (i.e. transfer, toilet, eat, get up from the floor, and dress); Service animals ok.	Entrance on the back patio. Vineyard Resource Center open M – F, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm Free food, showers, and laundry Check-in for reserved bed guests is 6 pm – 7 pm nightly Raffle for possible one-night bed stays is 7 pm nightly Reserved bed raffle (when beds are available) is Thursday at 7pm Refuge closes each morning at 8:00 am Breakfast served to those who stay the night.	Call for more information (925) 580-1616 M-F 9:00 am – 5:00 pm
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