



Interfaith Action of Evanston will staff an emergency shelter December 2018 and January and February 2019. The shelter will only operate when the temperature is 20 degrees or below or there is significant moisture. It will rotate among six different faith communities.

2018 Emergency Overnight Shelter Volunteer Training Dates

All sessions are from 7 to 8 pm

Tuesday, November 6 - Northminster Presbyterian Church, 2515 Central Park Ave.

Wednesday, November 7 – St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 1004 Greenwood, Maple Ave. entrance

Monday, November 12 – First Congregational Church House, 1417 Hinman Ave.

Thursday, November 15 – First Congregational Church House, 1417 Hinman Ave.

We will be happy to schedule more trainings or to meet with interested people individually.

We need volunteers for the following. We ESPECIALLY need more people to spend the night!

Set-up Volunteers – 8:00 pm to 9:30 pm – able to set up the cots, prepare the rooms, prepare hot drinks and greet guests as they arrive at 9:00

Overnight Volunteers – 9 pm to 7 am – able to spend the night to assist the staff person. Lights will be turned out at 10:00. Volunteers should be able to get some sleep.

Clean-up Volunteers – 6 to 7 am – able to help wake the guests and ensure they leave the facility on time. Also assists the supervisor in taking down/storing cots, cleaning up the facility, and preparing the laundry/cots for pickup.

Emergency Shelter volunteer requirements:

...Attend one training session

...Comfortable with email notifications

...Compassionate heart and ability to get along with diverse people

...Reliable and prompt

...Boundary keeper (Able to enforce rules, not easily manipulated)

Please email Sue Murphy at ia@interfaithactionofevanston.org or call at 847-869-0370 if you have any questions or for more information.