



What is the Winter Shelter?

The Winter Shelter is a temporary shelter which provides protection during cold and rainy months. Long Beach and the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) partner in bringing the winter shelter to Long Beach each year.



Where is the Winter Shelter located?

The shelter will be located at Community Hospital, located near the Traffic Circle in East Long Beach.



How many people will it serve?

The shelter will serve up to 81 people per night.



When will the shelter operate?

The shelter will operate 24 hours per day from December 19, 2022 through March 31, 2023



Will people at the shelter come and go throughout the day?

- No walk-ups will be accepted at the shelter; everyone who seeks shelter will need to visit the Multi-Service Center (MSC).
- People will be taken to and from the site via the winter shelter shuttle bus.
- The shuttle will transport people from the shelter to the MSC in the mornings and will return people to the shelter in the evenings.
- Unless a special accommodation is needed, such as for work or medical appointments, people will not be able to leave the shelter except on the shuttle bus.
- For the safety of shelter guests and the community, security will be on site.



What services does the shelter offer?

- Housing-focused case management and screening for housing programs
- Referrals to year-round shelter programs
- Three meals per day
- Showers and restrooms
- Activities



Who will operate the program?

The Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services and LAHSA have engaged First to Serve, a nonprofit organization, to handle day-to-day shelter operations.



How can I learn more?

For more information about Long Beach's response to homelessness, visit longbeach.gov/everyone-home-long-beach