



The Men's Warming Center started in the winter of 2007 as a seasonal warming center for homeless men to find a warm meal and a safe place to sleep each night. Originally established through a partnership with the Salvation Army, United Way of York County, and the City of Rock Hill, the Men's Overnight Shelter gained a permanent home in 2009 at [Bethel United Methodist Church](#), where it remains today.

As the need for homelessness services continued to grow in the tri-county area (York, Chester, and Lancaster Counties), the Bethel Men's Warming Center began sheltering more and more men each season. Because of this tremendous need and the commitment of Bethel, its partners, and passionate community members, in April of 2019, rather than closing its doors as it does at the end of each warming season, the Bethel Men's Warming Center remained open and officially became the Bethel Men's Shelter, the first and only year-round emergency shelter in the tri-county area.

Since 2021, the Bethel Shelter has expanded its mission to operate the Bethel Day Shelter for men and women as a tenant of the Pathways Community Center in Rock Hill at 546 South Cherry Road, Suite S. The day shelter operates seven days per week and remains open from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., offering laundry services, showers and restroom facilities, lockers, respite, and partners with other agencies to connect clients to needed services.

The Bethel Men's Shelter continues to offer all clients a warm meal and a safe place to sleep each night. At the Men's Shelter, an on-site social worker conducts intakes and assessments with all men, and offers them a number of services and resources.

Bethel Men's Shelter and the Bethel Day Shelter have some part time staff but are greatly supported by our volunteer base, who help us prepare and serve meals, launder clothes and linens, and organize events. If you would like to volunteer with us, take a look at our current opportunities below. If you have any questions about how to get involved at the shelters, [reach out to us](#) and we'll get back to you as soon as possible.