



The Samaritan Inn

HOPE FOR THE HOMELESS

PRIMARY CAUSE FOR HOMELESSNESS

LACK OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING

- This is the #1 cause across the nation and especially impactful in Collin County. (Check out *Homelessness is a Housing Problem* by Gregg Colburn)
- \$24.88 is the living wage for an INDIVIDUAL living in Collin County, and this amount only increases based upon household size. (MIT Living Wage Calculator)
- *Average 2-bedroom apartment in Collin County is \$1570/mo, which is 18.5% higher than the state average and 9.8% higher than the national average (March 2024 Best Places)*
- *There are only 25 available units per 100 extremely low-income households in Texas, putting Texas in the top 6 states responsible for the housing crisis (2024 National Low Income Housing Coalition)*
- *Area landlords are resistant to accept housing vouchers while housed neighbors protest based on the stigmas associated with those experiencing homelessness*

COLLIN COUNTY HOMELESS 2023

FACTS:

22% of the 516 homeless in the 2023 Collin County count were unsheltered

38% of the 2023 Collin County sheltered count were at the Inn

54% of Inn residents had some degree/certification beyond HS in FY23

48% of Samaritan Inn residents entered the program employed in FY23

HOW DOES THE SAMARITAN INN ANSWER THE CALL?

"We are a comprehensive housing program that supports individuals in realizing dignity and gaining independence."



A PIECE OF THE PUZZLE

Through our values of H.O.P.E. we work with other Samaritans such as agencies within our greater Continuum of Care, community partners, and our supporters so we may achieve our vision of a North Texas in which all people are empowered to contribute to our shared society.

Heart
Opportunity
Perseverance
Engagement

THE SHELTER

Applications occur 3 days a week: Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday

- ❑ Application process begins at 9am and ends at 1:30pm
 - Adults need
 - ✓ government issued photo ID and Social Security card/number
 - ✓ Social Security cards and birth certificates for any children
 - ✓ Be able to pass a drug test beyond THC usage
 - ✓ Be able and willing to work full-time or part-time if receiving disability
 - ✓ Not have a violent offense on their background within the past 10 years

A resident's stay will vary case by case. As long as they are working their program and meeting their goals, their stay could be anywhere from a couple of months to almost two years.



THE SHELTER PROGRAMMING: 4 PILLARS



CASE MANAGEMENT

- ▶ The Coach
- ▶ Weekly meetings
- ▶ They work with them from A-Z with things both in the shelter and outside of it



COUNSELING

- ▶ Required
- ▶ Can be on-site, off-site, individual or group
- ▶ 3 licensed staff, multiple Master's level students



CAREER DEVELOPMENT

- ▶ Work Keys certifications and classes
- ▶ Resume assistance
- ▶ Interviewing skills
- ▶ College assistance



FINANCIAL EDUCATION

- ▶ Classes: Relationship with Money, Income and Spending, Credit and Debt, Saving and Budgeting
- ▶ Budget lab
- ▶ One-on-one mentoring

DIVERSION

- ▶ A new initiative priority for our Continuum of Care overall in 2024, with only 8 agencies receiving funding for either CAS (Coordinated Access System) or Diversion Case Management
- ▶ This new program opens another avenue of services for The Samaritan Inn
- ▶ Diversion is the step between prevention and entering the homeless response system for an extended stay
- ▶ Implementation this year allows for
 - Increase in services
 - Data gathering for future planning
 - Collaborative opportunities communitywide

DIVERSION AND THE HOUSING PROBLEM-SOLVING TIMELINE (HPS)



HOW CAN YOU BE A CONTRIBUTING SAMARITAN?

MONETARY

- Setup one-time or recurring donations by visiting our website
- Drop off at our Administration Building @ 1725 N. McDonald St., McKinney M-F 10am-4pm
- Visit our social media sites and click to give



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IN-KIND DONATION

- Check our website for our Needs List and Amazon Wishlist
- If you need it to provide for your household, we'll need it too! New items can be brought to our shelter location @ 1514 N. McDonald St., McKinney any day from 9am-6pm
- Used items, including furniture and household goods can be dropped off at our InnStyle Resale Store @ 103 E. University Dr., McKinney T-Sa 9am-2pm

HOW CAN YOU BE A HANDS-ON SAMARITAN?

- ▶ How do I volunteer?
 - ▶ Check out our website for general information or email volunteer@saminn.org
- ▶ Can my kids come?
 - ▶ There are limited opportunities for children under 14, please email volunteer@saminn.org for specifics. They are always welcome on our monthly scheduled tours
- ▶ Can we serve a meal?
 - ▶ YES! Our meal sponsorship allows up to 6 people in your group to come serve breakfast, lunch or dinner to the residents. Your donation of \$500 subsidizes the cost of feeding the entire shelter. No prep work or shopping necessary—just show up and work some piece of the meal service!



HOW CAN YOU BE A VIP SAMARITAN?



SPONSOR AN EVENT

- ▶ GALA 2024- April 20th @ Omni PGA Frisco
- ▶ North Texas Giving Day- September 19, 2024
- ▶ Homeless Awareness Week- November 17-23, 2024
- ▶ Sponsor-A-Child Campaign- Launches in the Spring
- ▶ Holiday Gift Card Drive- runs all year but heavily promoted November and December
- ▶ Giving Grace Campaign- November 1st as a direct mail campaign
- ▶ Inn Bloom 2025- TBD



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