

MISSION STATEMENT

A Macomb County non-profit agency consisting of a center for intake, assessment, referral, and support for the homeless, including emergency shelter within area host Churches, a safe haven and an opportunity to choose a path that can enable them to become self-sufficient.

VISION STATEMENT

To be the premier advocate for the homeless, valued, and supported by the community and fully integrated into the service structure.

How YOU Can Help:

Volunteering as a Church Congregation

- Host a Week (Become a MCREST Member)
- Assist Other Churches During Their Hosting Week
- Host a Fundraiser for MCREST
- Make MCREST a Recipient of Mission Offerings
- Participate in MCREST Fundraisers

Volunteering as a Corporation:

- Sponsor a Fundraiser in Whole or Part
- Provide Financial Sponsorship
- Provide Advisory Assistance
- Provide Corporate Endorsement

"When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome? I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me..." Matthew 25:40

Are You Looking For:

More Information About MCREST?

- A Speaker for Your Group?
- A Way to Volunteer?
- A Good Tax Deduction?
- A Cause for Your Civic Group, Church or School?

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Macomb County Rotating
Emergency Shelter Team

Macomb County Rotating Emergency Shelter Team (MCREST) is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit working collaboration of the main office and over 80 Macomb County Churches who house the homeless throughout the year.

MCREST guests are screened by professional Case Workers and Managers for eligibility in the program. Most weeks there are more requests than beds. The space available depends upon the churches that host for the week. In the case of smaller churches, we often have two churches sharing the hosting during the same week. We assist men, women and children. Once in the program, the guests are allowed 30 consecutive days in a one-year period to participate. Guests often need more than 30 days to get "back on their feet".

MCREST initiated a 90-day program called Choose a Path (CAP) to assist those guests who are working hard to gain self-sufficiency. This program offers intense case management and goal setting to help guests jump start into self-sufficiency.

HOPE Housing Opportunity Program for Everyone. Through funding, we have two Case Managers (Housing Specialists) to assist clients to return to housing to be self-sufficiently with support services. This includes teaching clients necessary life skills.



MCREST provides each church with:

- An office open 7 days a week for initial screening and intake of guests and their records
- Continued recruiting of Churches to house the homeless
- Pre-acceptance paperwork and screening of each guest.
- 7 days a week, 365 days a year, support and technical assistance to each host Church
- An employee at the church to screen guests as they come into the church and to act as a liaison for the Church
- Liability insurance for each Church location
- 4 inch dense foam mattresses, pillows, linens, and towels for each guest, and carts to store them
- Volunteer training, a church manual and mentoring by MCREST employees and board members
- A liaison in order to provide information from county, state, and national studies, resources, funding, and programs for the homeless, mentally ill, and substance abusers.

**Each host church provides the
MCREST program with:**

- 7 consecutive nights shelter for 25-60 homeless people from 6pm until 8am each day
- Volunteer staff to support MCREST staff during screening each night
- Dinner, breakfast, and sack lunch daily for each guest
- Laundering of MCREST linens, blankets, and towels at the end of the week
- Laundering of guest clothing whenever possible.
- Restroom facilities and personal care items available for use by each guest
- Access to shower facilities
- When able, transportation or bus tickets to accommodate workers, school children and others as necessary: and gas vouchers for those with cars
- Emergency or work related out-going calls for guests
- A truck to transport MCREST equipment, mattresses, bins, etc. from the previous Church location

