

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY SHELTER WINTER PILOT

NEED IN THE MIDCOAST:

Our neighbors who become homeless need a safe, warm place to sleep.

150 homeless individuals receive support from the Knox County Homeless Coalition each month, but only 22 beds exist in their family shelter in Rockport. Over 50% of KCHC clients are families with children.

Emergency funds are available from General Assistance Offices and local churches, but are often insufficient to cover the need and the process can be time-consuming.

EMERGENCY SHELTER - WINTER PILOT PROGRAM:

The Community Emergency Shelter Committee hopes to address this need by piloting a three to four month shelter program in winter 2019 - 2020. The pilot will help the committee to better understand and assess long-term, emergency shelter needs.

The Flanagan Community Rec Center of Rockland is the proposed location for this winter pilot program, pending City Council approval.

HOW TO HELP:

Donations and volunteers are needed in order to launch the pilot this winter!

Contact emergencysHELTERpilot@gmail.com to learn more about volunteering.

Tax-deductible donations can be mailed to: **Emergency Shelter Pilot, PO Box 1255, Rockland, ME, 04841**. Checks should be payable to "Knox County Homeless Coalition" and note: "Emergency Shelter Pilot Fund," as KCHC is acting as the fiscal sponsor.

QUESTIONS OR SUGGESTIONS?

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[The Community Emergency Shelter Committee members](#) include local clergy, community leaders, and staff from the Knox County Homeless Coalition (KCHC).