

Winter Haven Emergency Shelter An Hypothermia Overnight Women's Shelter

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MISSION

House of Divine Guidance will provide a welcoming atmosphere where women and children experience a nurturing and support Christian atmosphere. Residents receive resource referrals and limited case management follow-up during the evenings to assist residents to gain stability post discharge. We empower women to become self-sufficient and to rise above their circumstances.

Open December 16, 2018 – March 15, 2019

Location:

All sheltering is provided within a church facility in or near Montgomery County Silver Spring and Takoma Park area. Shelter locations vary depending on the week.

Hours 7 p.m. – 7 a.m. No placements after 11 p.m.

Space is limited to **25** persons **single women or single mothers with children**. Minor boys are welcome up to <u>age 12</u>. Pregnant, disabled or elderly women are eligible, but must be able to sleep on a cot and willing to leave upon daily closing.

Service will provide dinner and breakfast. There is <u>no</u> transportation to day shelters/programs or other locations. Bus tokens are not provided.

Referral Process:

Agencies should e-mail <u>donna.robinson@houseofdivineguidance.org</u> to send referral information using the password protected homeless screening when available Contact Donna Robinson, PhD to refer clients. Call the cell phone number 240-888-6775.

Clients should be informed this is a private faith-based non-profit organization voluntarily providing this service to homeless Montgomery County women. Noncounty referrals are accepted.

Clients must be referred by the **Crisis Center**, **HHS or other emergency** services and outreach provider.

Referred clients must stable and free of drugs and alcohol. Clients under the influence of alcohol or drugs **will not be** accepted. Client medication information must be included with referral. Client must be taking medication to stabilize medical and mental health conditions. Women referred have a bed each night of the program; women who have not arrived by 7:30 pm will forfeit their bed.