

DAYBREAK SHELTER

DAYBREAK operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year and provides emergency housing, food and support services to individuals and families who are homeless. Clients from outside Will, Grundy, Kendall, Ford, Iroquois, and Kankakee Counties will be admitted for a 3-night stay.

TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

Provides long-term housing for female-head of households.. This two-year program is designed for homeless families with children to become independent and financially self-sufficient. While enrolled in this program, clients must demonstrate an effort to acquire additional education, upgrade their job or technical skills, reduce debt levels and increase their savings to become financially independent.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

The emergency services department provides services and access to resources to individuals and families with the hope of preventing homelessness. Services include but are not limited to food, clothing, household items, assistance obtaining identification and prescription assistance.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Daybreak offers many volunteer opportunities that can be done by individuals who are willing to dedicated their time to help the low income and homeless individuals and families in our area. Daybreak also offers a group of individuals. Many of these opportunities can be done monthly, quarterly or yearly.

- * Becoming a volunteer means that you are sincerely interested in helping others and fulfilling the mission of the organization. Catholic Charities appreciates your dedicated service and looks forward to working with you.

What can you do to help?

Individually you can help by becoming one of the following:

- ▼ Case Aid
- ▼ Child Care Assistant
- ▼ Clerical Aid
- ▼ Driver -- to pick up donations, transport clients
- ▼ Education Coordinator Assistant
- ▼ Emergency Services Assistant
- ▼ Employment Coordinator Assistant
- ▼ Fundraising / PR
- ▼ Kitchen Coordinator Assistant
- ▼ Maintenance Assistant
- ▼ Mentor
- ▼ Pastoral Counselor
- ▼ Quality Services Assistant
- ▼ Residential Manager Assistant
- ▼ Volunteer Coordinator Assistant
- ▼ Wellness Corrdinator Assistant

In agrroup setting you can help by:

- ▼ Adopt A Room in Transitional Housing
- ▼ Food / Personal product drives
- ▼ Hosting a party for our residential clients
- ▼ Meal Program

DAYBREAK'S WISH LIST

When donating to Daybreak please be mindful that Daybreak accepts only new items. If you have used items that you would like to donate to Daybreak, please contact the Quality Service Specialist at the Center.

Daybreak appreciates your support and generosity.

- * **Monetary donations**
- * **Seasonal clothing for Men, Women and Children in all sizes S-4XL**
Sweat suits, pants/jeans, t-shirts, sweaters, pajamas, nightgowns, robes, socks, slippers, underwear, bras, shoes, coats, hats, scarves, gloves, boots, swimsuits
- * **Entertainment for Men, Women and Children**
Board games, toys, playing cards, journals, diaries, bibles, devotionals, books
- * **Gift Certificates for Men, Women**
Suggested vendors: Walgreen's, Wal-Mart, Department stores, gasoline stations, bus tokens, grocery stores, fast food restaurants, movie theatres
- * **Personal Hygiene Products for Men, Women, and Children**
Shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, razors, shaving cream, lotion, combs/brushes, powder, colognes, q-tips, non-aspirin, etc
- * **Linens for Emergency Shelter and Transitional Housing**
Twin size White flat and fitted sheets, pillow-cases, thermal blankets, towels, washcloths
- * **Baby Needs**
Diapers, wipes, bottles, bottle brushes, formula
- * **Extras:**
wallets, purses, batteries, backpacks, appointment books, watches, school supplies

HOMELESS PREVENTION

The Homeless Prevention Program provides case management services to Will County residents who are at-risk of becoming homeless due to a situational crisis. This program provides immediate crisis intervention and long-term case management services.

SHEPHERD'S TABLE

Shepherd's Table provides a free mid-day meal to members of the community who are hungry and unable to provide for themselves. Meals are prepared and served by volunteers seven days a week. Shepherd's Table is a designated warming and cooling center open to the community during extreme weather conditions.

PROGRAM AND AFTERCARE

SERVICES PROVIDED:

Addictions Referrals; Advocacy; Assessments; Budget Counseling; Money Management; Case Management; Childcare (Residential Only); Family Programs; Education Programs & Services; Employment Programs & Services; Financial Assistance; Group Counseling; Support Groups; Housing Location & Inspection; Mental Health Referrals; Parent Training & Support Groups; Seasonal Programs; Wellness Services

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet, translates God's reconciling love into professional human services, advocates for a just and compassionate society and brings together members of the community, church, business, health care and government to develop effective responses to human needs. We commit to define these needs, seek solutions, and call forth other resources so that those we serve are empowered to achieve for themselves satisfying and productive lives.



General Business Hours
M – F 8:30 am to 4:30 pm
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DAYBREAK CENTER



Providing an atmosphere and programs that empower individuals to grow and develop their:

Self-sufficiency
Self-reliance
Self-esteem

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