



We are Eastern Niagara's only
Emergency Homeless Shelter
188 Genesee Street, Lockport, NY
Living Well Program (Day Program for Women)
192 Genesee Street, Lockport, NY
<http://www.lockportcares.org>
Shelter: 716.280.3444 ~ Business: 716.438.2273

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SPECIAL EDITION

"I don't know what I would do without all of you!! I wish I could stay forever!! Thank you for the guidance, help and food. The volunteers and staff never judged me. My stay at Lockport CARES helped me feel that there are nice people who aren't just out to "get me. All My Love, Kristin".

~ former guest

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Psalm 91: ¹Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. ²I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust." ³Surely he will save you from the fowler's snare and from the deadly pestilence. ⁴He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.

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The classrooms at George Southard's Elementary school each set a goal to collect 100 pairs of socks by the 100th day of school. The kiddos collected 1,700 pairs of new socks! Thank you so much for your "undeFEETable" donation ;)

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Thank you to the Newfane Middle School Service Club who provided dinner for our guests volunteers and staff. The meal was delicious and we could tell it was made with a lot of love!

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Thank you Cindy, representing the Women of the Moose Ch. 382 who donated 17 NEW mattress encasements. A much needed addition as we prepare to open our 192 Genesee Street location.

COVID -19 RESPONSE UPDATE!

Keeping with public health advisories



In light of the current COVID-19 pandemic, and in response to current public health advisories, the Board of Directors of Lockport CARES homeless shelter has decided to temporarily place a hold on receiving new guests, effective

immediately. Although this was a difficult decision to make, we are confident that this is in the best interest of those already facing housing and financial challenges, as well as the health and well-being of our faithful and loving volunteers.

We are taking the current situation seriously, and are praying for those in the city of Lockport and surrounding areas, as we navigate these difficult days.

For those facing an emergency shelter need, our Intake line (716-939-0926) is still open to provide resource information and direction. CARES Staff will be on-site to manage day to day duties and prepare the shelters to be ready to resume serving our community once this challenge has passed.

Our goal is to continue our Mission... "In response to God's love shown to us through Jesus Christ, Lockport C.A.R.E.S. opens its doors to women, men and families with children who find themselves in need by providing emergency shelter, material needs, and compassionate care with dignity and respect."

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In February, the Lockport Community (Farmers) Market hosted an event called "Spread the Love". Vendors and the community were encouraged to donate wish list items for the shelter. Thank you to the volunteers who manned the table, answered questions, recruited help and collected donations. We'd also like to thank Mr. John Maser of WLVL for his brief interview with CARES Executive Director, Pastor Kevin Wing, effectively promoting CARES needs on the radio.

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Volunteer, Roxanne S. donated her time to repair the ceiling in the front foyer from an earlier water leak. She is blessed with so many gifts and we are so fortunate to have her as part of our CARES family.

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The office is open Monday-Friday.
Call 716.438.2273 with questions.



..Mark R. and Ethan W. and **Congratulations** on completing your training and orientation. Thank you for coming to serve with the Lockport CARES family.

THANK YOU

Peggy and Bradley
for thinking of CARES.

Pictured here at
Churchill Memorial
UMC in Hamburg,
where CARES was the
recipient of the the
Niagara Frontier
District United
Methodist Woman
Gift Day!



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SHELTER NEEDS

Floor cleaner

Snack bags for lunches

Large brown paper lunch bags

Bleach

Disinfectant wipes and spray

Aluminum Foil

Auto dishwasher soap

and VOLUNTEERS

Gift Cards from Niagara County Produce, Dollar General, Aldi's, TOPS Markets are also appreciated as we frequent these stores to purchase non-perishable items.

Thank you, from Shelter Manager

Chris