



We are Eastern Niagara's only Emergency Homeless Shelter

188 & 192 Genesee Street, PO Box 586, Lockport, NY 14095

<http://www.lockportcares.org>

Shelter: 716.280.3444 ~ Business: 716.438.2273 ~ Intake: 716.939.0926

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SUMMER ADDITION

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OFFICE HOURS: Please, call ahead to ensure someone is onsite or call 716.438.2273 with questions.

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Special Shout Out!!!

THANK YOU

PHILIP M. BANKS

for your valued efforts and contribution to Lockport CARES in the last couple of years as Treasurer.

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WE'RE REOPENING!

We're happy to announce that Lockport CARES will re-open Monday June 15, 2020, at our 188 Genesee St shelter, with modifications, to accept men, women and families experiencing emergency homelessness.

Beginning with our 7:00pm shift on Monday June 15 guests will be welcomed into our shelter from 8:00pm to 8:00am seven days a week. This new

modification will continue for thirty (30) days and then be re-considered based on safety factors and overall effectiveness of the shelter.

Guests will still call the shelter intake number **716-939-0926** and follow the intake procedures as before - with a few new protocols following safety and healthy guidelines.

In addition, in order for us to allow each person or family unit to have a designated bathroom, we will limit the number of guests/family units to three at any given time.

Our guests will be fed a light meal when they arrive and provided a packaged Breakfast of fruit, bottled drink and breakfast bars, etc. when they leave in the morning. Guests will still be able to stay with us for ten (10) business days plus two weekends.

While it has been difficult for both our direct care personnel and guests during this suspension of services, we look forward to serving our community in a way that provides a safe environment for all.

Thank you to all who have been praying for the shelter, our Board, staff, volunteers and guests.

God Bless,

Pastor Kevin

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"For This Reason..."

Over the course of the last ten weeks or more of our suspension of services, I have wrestled with many thoughts; mostly thoughts of different ways we could help the people for whom Christ called us to serve but could not. It was frustrating as many of you could likely attest.

Once in a while an idea would escape my mouth and actually be heard by others. Thankfully, after hearing such a thing, the staff or one of the Board members would kindly and patiently remind me of our mission.

When Jesus was faced with experiencing the most excruciating moment of His life, He remembered His mission.

"FOR THIS REASON"

John 12:27

There, in the Garden He knelt and got a grip on what He would face. No asking The Father for a pass but submitting to the process.

Have you faced similar tests? Nothing like Christ, for sure, but tests, nonetheless. Remember your mission.

Soon, we get the privilege of serving men and women in serious straits. We get to be the reason Lockport CARES exists. We get to take some risks. And maybe, we get to remind people what Christ came to do – live in skin, just like them without a place to call home.

We will see you all soon carrying out all the ways we get to say,

"For This Reason..."



Dear Lockport CARES,

It is our pleasure to inform you that Lockport CARES Inc. has been selected as the Winner for the

2020 Best of Lockport Awards
in the category of

Community Organizations.

The Lockport Award Program was created to honor and generate public recognition of the achievements and positive contributions of businesses and organizations in and around Lockport.

Sincerely, Maxine Castro



We are hiring in the position of **Shelter Relief Staff**. The Shelter Relief role will be 24 hours per week, part-time position working here at the Lockport CARES campus.

This person will, after training, provide relief on our Shelter Manager's days off; requiring flexibility to cover varied days and hours including weekends, (on occasion, overnight) and holidays. The position requires the successful applicant to work

closely with our Shelter Manager, continuing her administrative, guest relations, agency correspondent, volunteer contact role. The full job description details can be found on our Facebook page, www.lockportcares.org and on Indeed.com.

If you know someone who would be a great candidate for the role, please forward our newsletter to them, or direct them to Indeed.com.

Applications close Thursday, June 18.

SHELTER NEEDS

Can you help us with a few of our Shelter Needs? Take a look at our revised **Wish List** on our website. We are conscious of the need to remain physically distant, so we encourage our donors to use Amazon Smile to purchase items



from our list, having them delivered to our PO Box or 188 address, whilst donating financially at the same time. You'll notice the list has changed

somewhat, specifically food-wise, as we work to remain compliant with the CDC and Dept. of Health guidelines and reduces food handling at this time. We are still gratefully accepting financial donations on our website – www.lockportcares.org/donor (one time or monthly) or by check to:

Lockport CARES, Inc, PO Box 586, Lockport, NY 14095

All donations are a blessing for which we are eternally grateful.