Cold Weather Referrals  
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- **Single men** in need of shelter can go to **Porchlight’s First Street Shelter** *(200 N First Street)*. Men’s shelter is open 5pm-8am daily and the intake hours are 5pm-8pm. After hour intakes are accepted through MPD, hospital, or outreach referrals after COVID clearance. Buses will transport guests from The Beacon *(615 E. Washington Ave)* to the First Street Shelter every day at 4:45 p.m. You don’t have to use the Beacon in order to use the bus. Call 608-416-1446 if you have questions.

- **Single women** in need of shelter can go to **The Salvation Army women’s shelter** *(630 E. Washington Ave)*. The shelter is open 24/7 now. Typical intake hours are 4:15-5pm, but women can show up any time during excessive cold. Call (608) 250-2220 during business hours and (608) 513-2392 after 4pm if you have questions.

- **Families with children**
  - The Salvation Army will be opening an **overflow day warming center at 630 E. Washington Ave. for families** during excessive cold starting tonight through 2/12, if The Beacon’s family space is at capacity. Families self-identify and are eligible for services if there is a child in the household under the age of 18 (or over 18 if enrolled in High School). Families may come to Salvation Army between 9am-5pm and lunch and dinner will be provided. Capacity for the family warming center is 30 people. All families will be asked to wear a mask and complete a COVID-19 screen upon entry. If you are working with or know a family that is in need of a place to go during the day please call ahead to Salvation Army’s main line (608-250-2200) to make sure there is space.
  - If families are in need of night time shelter please continue to call the **Salvation Army family shelter** intake line at (608) 250-2298. Families will be prompted to leave a message with their name, family size and contact number/email for follow up.
  - Families in need of shelter can also call **Sankofa Educational Leadership United** at (608) 618-9977 or complete an online intake at [https://sankofaeducationalleadershipunited.simdif.com/](https://sankofaeducationalleadershipunited.simdif.com/) to get on the waiting list.

- **The Beacon Day Resource Center** *(615 E. Washington Ave)* is typically open 8am-5pm, but will open earlier at 7:30am during excessive cold. Individuals or families who haven’t used the Beacon before, please call ahead at 608-826-8040. During the pandemic, the Beacon is serving only people experiencing homelessness and the family space is limited.

- If you are concerned about someone who’s sleeping outside or in vehicles and are not sure if they are connected with outreach program, you can inquire by emailing Sarah Lim, City of Madison Community Development Division, at slim@cityofmadison.com. Outreach program directory can be found on the HSC website: [https://www.danecountyhomeless.org/hsc-community-resources](https://www.danecountyhomeless.org/hsc-community-resources).