# Syracuse Police Department

Supplemental Manual

## **Homeless Persons**

### **409.1 AVAILABLE SERVICES**

Agency Content

Resources for Emergency Shelter services available within the Onondaga County area include, but are not limited to:

### (a) Adults:

- The Rescue Mission Emergency Shelter The Rescue Mission operates a shelter for homeless men at 122 Dickerson Street in the City of Syracuse. This shelter provides services to homeless men with underlying addiction problems or mental illness.
- 2. Salvation Army Women's Shelter The Salvation Army operates a shelter for women at 664 W. Onondaga Street in the City of Syracuse. The shelter has a ten (10) bed capacity. The Women's Shelter provides services for women with mental health needs, substance abuse problems or alcohol problems. These women are usually homeless women who have been hospitalized in the past but never linked with a community residence or services. They also may have been picked up by the police for "acting out" on the street. The shelter cannot accept individuals who are at medical risk, such as being highly intoxicated or are uncontrollable. The Salvation Army does not provide transportation to its shelters.
- 3. Salvation Army Emergency Family Shelter The Salvation Army operates a shelter for homeless families at 749 South Warren Street in the City of Syracuse. Homeless families of any configuration are provided temporary emergency housing and counseling with 81 beds and 10 cribs. This is primarily a rehabilitation program and is not for individuals that are intoxicated at the time of entry or those with mental health problems. Individuals who are intoxicated should be referred to the Rescue Mission. The homeless are accepted and beds, if available, are set aside for transients.
- 4. Homeless Intervention Service Team The Rescue Mission operates a service for homeless persons from 0800 to 2200 hours, Monday through Saturday. The Homeless Intervention Services (HIS) Team provides quick, mobile intervention on an on-call basis. The HIS Team provides a complete range of services for the homeless individual including transportation, supportive advocacy, assistance in locating housing, crisis intervention at the shelter sites, accompanying clients in need of emergency psychiatric hospitalization through the evaluation and intervention process, etc. The Team is dispatched by 211 and has a mobile radio in the van.

#### (b) Youth:

1. **Booth House** – Located at 3524 Midland Ave, Booth House provides long-term comprehensive case management services to homeless male and female youth ages 13 through 17. The individuals served by this program are runaway or

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- homeless youth who may be able to be reconciled with their families. They do not turn any youths away because of lack of space.
- 2. Barnabas Program Located at 1941 S. Salina, Barnabas provides long-term comprehensive case management services to homeless males and females ages 16 through 21. The individuals served by this program are those that are no longer able to live at home or be reconciled with their families. Barnabas is not a shelter, but will assist in placing clients with other agencies.
- (c) Victims of Domestic Violence:
  - 1. **Vera House** This shelter has room for thirty (30) women and their children and provides meals, counseling and support services for women in crisis. The majority of the clients are involved in domestic violence. Office at 723 James Street, Syracuse 315-425-0818.

#### Resources for Meals for those in need:

- (a) **Rescue Mission** at 148 Gifford Street offers meals daily at 7am-8am, 11am-12pm, 4-5pm.
- (b) **Samaritan Center** at 215 N. State Street offers meals M-F 6:30am 8:30am and M-Th 3-4:30pm, Fridays, Weekends & Holidays 1p-2:30pm.