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HISTORY AND PROPOSAL

ECH is an association of churches, social service agencies, government, service clubs, businesses and concerned citizens who recognize the growing need for additional shelter resources and related support services to assist the homeless of the Eastside to become self-sufficient. ECH was formed in March 1987 at the urging of the EISCC, to educate, advocate and network on behalf of services for the homeless. Neither ECH or EISCC provide any direct service.

The ECH originally approached the ARC with a program proposal (The H.O.P.E. Project) designed to meet the needs of the growing homeless population on the Eastside. The H.O.P.E. project is now operating very successfully. The program links newly homeless individuals and/or family units with the donated hotel accommodations (up to three nights on a space available basis), the advocacy of community volunteers, nutritious food provided by the Emergency Feeding Program/Eastside, and the programs provided by the direct service agencies who serve Eastside clients. This program is currently administrated through the efforts of a paid administrator and a part-time administrative assistant. Both individuals are ARC staff members.

Recently the ECH and the EISCC became acquainted with a program from Palo Alto, California; the Hotel de Zink, under the auspices of the Urban Ministry of Palo Alto. There are 25 congregations contributing to the program in the form of money to go toward the budget, with volunteers to assist with Hotel de Zink, and with church facilities to house the homeless. A church takes one month a year during which homeless adults are allowed to sleep in their facilities. There is a paid staff of four who screen the homeless and who also spend nights at the shelter "overseeing the guests".

It is proposed that a program, similar to Hotel de Zink and tentatively named Phase II of the H.O.P.E. Project, be adopted for the Eastside area. We already have the H.O.P.E. Project to provide three nights lodging in Eastside hotels. This new program will provide additional housing and assistance for up to 60 days in area churches. It is proposed this project be administered by ARC.

HOW EASTSIDE COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS EVOLVED

Eastside Interfaith Social Concerns Council, as its name implies, worked to determine Eastside needs. Hence, a May, 1986, discussion of shelters prompted the June 10 program of speakers concerning homelessness.

As president of EISCC, I asked for volunteers and appointed others to a task force on homelessness/shelters. Council members direction was not to reinvent the wheel but co-ordinate all available information. I appointed Geoff Ethelston of St. John's Episcopal, Kirkland, chairman. Others participating were: Rev. D. Bloom, Church Council of Greater Seattle -Rev. Sanford Brown, Lake Washington United Methodist -Jean Hopps, Salvation Army -Karin Frankenburger, Kirkland Interfaith Network -Steve Kautz, St. Vincent dePaul -Darlene Sabah, Catholic Community Services -Darby Williams, St. Margaret's Episcopal.

An interim report was made in September with the final in November. Discussion continued in Congregations with Council members individually returning with information from their Churches. In March, Council members voted for a Coalition for the Homeless. Invitations were immediately extended to corporate business, agencies, United Way, and Congregations. I convened the first meetings to provide structure and elect a nominating committee followed with co-chair Geoff Ethelston (1 yr.) and Beth Boyd (2 yr.) St. Madeleine Sophie, and sec./treasurer Virginia Bentson, Cross of Christ Lutheran. During this period, this most enthusiastic group opted to meet every two weeks with subcommittees meeting between these meetings.

A number of accomplishments follow: Mission Statement
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- *Developed by-laws *Established four standing committees
- *Speakers bureau has been active in raising public awareness
- *Advocacy work continues concerning closing of trailer courts
- *Legislation has been recommended with Cities, King County, and State government...telephone line of members used as needed
- *Resource committee has reached an agreement with Red Cross to hire a co-ordinator for all to work together to assist the homeless to mainstream into society again.

Nadine Shannon 746-6019

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What are St. Vincent de Paul, Bellevue Community College, Eastside Mental Health, Northshore MultiService Center, United Way, and Overlake Christian Church all citing as a crying need here on the Eastside? SHELTER. They are seeing an increasing need for both emergency and low cost housing.

BCC has cited instances of women with small children living on campus in their cars. A church in Eastgate gave a family permission to live in their car in the church parking lot. North/East MultiService Center has noticed people living in their parking lot.

Let me introduce myself. My name is ________. I am speaking here tonight on behalf of a new organization: Eastside Coalition for the Homeless. We are a newly-formed group of social service agencies, churches and concerned citizens who have gathered to respond to the growing number of housing requests we are all receiving.

We studied recent reports on shelter needs done by the MultiService Centers, the City of Bellevue Planning Department, King County Housing and Community Development Division, Eastside Human Services Futuring Committee, and United Way. Then we conducted a survey of the 160 churches here on the Eastside.

We discovered that although the population of the Eastside is about 40% of the size of Seattle's, we have 6% of the shelter beds in the Metro area. Seattle has 91%. In 1986 one agency, Eastside Domestic Violence, honored 276 requests for shelter. They turned down 550. Other agencies are having similar experiences. We are not meeting the current need for shelter.

Bellevue's population is growing rapidly. By the year 2000 it is expected to increase by 38% over 1980 levels. The need for social services is growing even more rapidly. Population density is increasing. Already half of our residents live in multifamily housing. That percentage is increasing. The growth in jobs that we are seeing is greatest among those that pay the least. Our population is growing older, poorer, and more ethnically diverse. All of these are indicators that the need for social services will grow faster than the population rate.

We are proud to live here in Bellevue. We would like to see this area develop its own distinctive identity. We enjoy the high quality of life available to us here. Yet the benefits of life here are not equally available to all our citizens. We are not adequately caring for our homeless poor. Giving a person bus fare to Seattle is not giving him or her adequate care. It is time that we accepted the responsibility to care for the poorest of our citizens. People should be able to continue to live in their home town where they have a network of friends and neighbors to support them in their time of need.

We urge you to listen carefully to the requests for emergency housing support that you receive. Please do what you can to make funding available for more shelter beds in Bellevue.

Congratulations to each of you on your selection to this new commission. We appreciate your efforts to serve the people of our community. Thank you for the opportunity to speak at this hearing. We of the Eastside Coalition for the Homeless look forward to working with you.

EASTSIDE COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS

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Goals:

- Increase awareness of need for shelter and support services.
- Identify opportunities to develop or assist in developing shelter facilities.
- 3. Provide support and promote funding to assist development groups in establishing facilities and services to meet the needs of the homeless on the Eastside.
- 4. Reduce causes of homelessness for vulnerable populations of the Eastside.

Eastside Coalition for the Homeless

Our members represent the following organizations:

Private Sector

Bellevue Breakfast Rotary Bellevue Hilton League of Women Voters United Way of King County

Public Sector

City of Bellevue-Planning Department City of Seattle-Office of Management and Budget State of Washington-Department of Social and Health Services

Associations

Eastside Human Services Council Seattle/King County Emergency Housing Coalition

Agencies

Crisis Clinic
Catholic Community Services
Eastside Domestic Violence
Eastside Drug and Alcohol
Eastside Mental Health
Fremont Public Association
Friends of Youth
MultiService Centers of
North & East King County
St. Vincent de Paul Society
Salvation Army
YMCA
YWCA
Youth Eastside Services

Churches

B'nai Torah Church Council of Greater Seattle Church of the Resurrection Episcopal Cross of Christ Lutheran Eastgate Congregational Eastshore Unitarian First Congregational-Bellevue First Presbyterian-Bellevue Kirkland Interfaith Network Mercer Island Presbyterian Newport Presbyterian Overlake Park Presbyterian St. John's Episcopal St. Louise Catholic St. Madeleine Sophie Catholic St. Margaret's Episcopal

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Hotel De Zink

Volunteer and Donation Information

Volunteers:

Hotel De Zink has a paid staff, but relies on volunteers to assure that the shelter is a warm, hospitable place. More volunteers are needed!

6:15 am - 7:00 am. Daily: One or two volunteers help with breakfast and the break down of the shelter.

9:15 pm - 11:00 pm. Nightly: One to two volunteers help supervise the set up of the shelter and conduct weekly guest interviews.

11 pm - 7 am, Nightly: One volunteer maximum stays overnight as a backup to the paid staff person.

Once Weekly: One volunteer does the shelter laundry. Towels and sheets only.

Most importantly, volunteers become informally acquainted with the guests of the shelter and make them feel comfortable and welcome. We want the shelter to be a place where the guests feel it's safe to tell the truth about their situations and can experience a healthy group spirit that is moving in a positive direction. You make it happen! Your contact with the guests helps them to feel that they are part of our society and facilitates their efforts to stabilize their lives and provide shelter for themselves.

If you are interested in volunteering for the shelter, please contact Urban Ministry of Palo Alto 853-8672 in advance. Thank you.

Donations:

Donations can help reduce the shelters operating costs and contribute towards making the guests feel more "at home." Donations are always welcome!

Food: Simple breakfast items (coffee, milk, cereal, juice, fruit), snacks, (cookies, fruit, baked goods), and drinks.

Personal Items: Clean towels, blankets, sleeping bags, shaving cream, razors, sanitary napkins, toothbrushes and paste, shampoos (small) and soaps.

<u>Disposables</u>: Paper plates, cups, and napkins. <u>Money</u>: Checks Payable to "Urban Ministry of Palo Alto".

Donations should be delivered directly to the shelter site. Please call Urban Ministry of Palo Alto 853-8672 in advance. Thank you.

THE URBAN MINISTRY

Hotel De Zink

SHELTER PROGRAM

Background:

The last time Palo Alto hosted a shelter was in the Great Depression. The "Hotel De Zink" of that era was nicknamed after **Chief Zink of the Palo Alto Police**. Times and circumstances have changed, but homelessness is still a fact of life in our community. The new Hotel De Zink is a response of local churches and the wider community to the need for a place where homeless people can begin to regain self-sufficiency.

Now as in the 1930's, our community is behind Hotel De Zink. Most of the nearly \$70,000 required to operate this shelter annually is raised from individual and church donations. You can be a part of Hotel De Zink through donations of food, bedding, money, and volunteer time. Please see information on back.

Program:

Hotel De Zink shelters 15-20 homeless people without children who demonstrate, through weekly interviews, a sincere desire to regain self-sufficiency. Guests may stay up to 60 days per 12 months. Guests must comply with shelter rules and sign a contract which outlines their plans to get off the street. For admission information call Urban Ministry at 853-8672. The shelter operates year-round from 9:00 pm to 7:00 am. Under a City use permit, the shelter site rotates monthly, using 12 Palo Alto church buildings.

Schedule of Shelter Sites: January: St. Thomas Aquinas February: Trinity Lutheran March:1st Congregational April: Church of Christ May: St. Andrew's United Methodist June: 1st United Methodist July: Christian Reformed August: Wesley United Methodist September: Unitarian Church October: First Baptist November: St. Mark's Episcopal December: Friends Meeting.

MORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!
(See other side...)



Hotel De Zink Guest Registration

Guest	Name	ров	
Staff	Interviewer		
Date who	en first admitted		day, yr)
	this reservation		day, yr)
	hen guest may come		
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Take this with you to Hotel de Zink. You can't get in tonight without it! It is good for seven nights starting with the date listed on this sheet. If you do not come to the shelter tonight, this sheet will not be any good for tomorrow night; you'll need to go back to Rolling Estates on a weekday morning for another one. STORAGE: You may store no more than 2 garbage-bag sized sacks of bedding and or belongings at the shelter. We are not responsible for items left at the shelter after your registration at the shelter expires; such items will be disposed of after 24 hours. Your place in the shelter is available as long as:

- 1) You show up tonight no earlier than 9:30 and no later than 11 pm. Otherwise, you will lose your bed tomorrow night and this registration sheet will be invalid.
- 2) You are not absent from the shelter for more than three nights in a one-month period. If you must be absent, call 853-8672 and leave a message with your name, the date, time, and reason for the absence.
- 3) You are able to follow shelter rules and are not asked to leave by Urban Ministry/Hotel de Zink staff:
 - * Cooperate to make Hotel de Zink a safe, quiet, hospitable, clean and sober place to sleep.
 - * Help set up, take down, and clean equipment and facilities.
 - * No drugs or alcohol allowed, or people under the influence thereof.
 - * No weapons, threatening or abusive behavior or talk.
 - * No conditions which might threaten others' health, such as TB, gross dirtiness, or lice.
 - * Active effort to get off the streets and into jobs, programs, disability income, and housing.
 - * No loitering on or near the church site before 9:30 pm or after 7:30 am.
- 4) You return to Rolling Estates drop-in center on weekday mornings within 7 days for another registration sheet like this one for another 7 days, up to a total of 60 days in a 12-month period.

HOTEL DE ZINK SHELTER PROGRAM OF URBAN MINISTRY OF PALO ALTO

PERSONAL DATA SHEET

NAME
LAST RESIDENCE ADDRESS
SOCIAL SECURITY #
ID TYPE AND #
DATE OF BIRTH
ETHNIC ORIGIN
SOURCE AND AMOUNT OF INCOME
JOB (WHERE AND WHAT KIND AND HOURS)
GASS, SSISDI
OTHER DISABILITY INCOMEUE
SAVINGS/TRUSTSOTHER
ELIGIBLE FOR ANY BENEFITS (UE, DISAB?)
EDUCATION LEVEL
SPECIAL SKILLS OR TRAINING, AVOCATIONS
JOB HISTORY

JOB GOALS OR INTERESTS

MEDICAL OR PSYCHIATRIC CONDITIONS

MEDICATIONS OR SPECIAL NEEDS, NAMES AND PHONES OF DOCTORS, ETC.