

Warming Centers Winter 2024/2025

St. Joseph Public Library

304 S. Main Street (corner of Wayne & Main)

M-Th 9am-8pm, F-Sa 9am-5pm, Su 1-5pm

Information and Resources

Century Center

120 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd

Seating and restrooms open to the public. Limited hours

Howard Park Event Center

winter hours Dec 1-Mar 29

219 S. St. Louis Blvd

Monday-Thursday: 8am-8pm, Friday 8am-10pm,

Saturday: 9am-10pm, Sunday: 11am-8pm

Seating and restrooms open to public

Weather Amnesty Winter 2024/2025

- Amnesty goes from November 1st, 2024- April 30, 2025
- Amnesty starts at 8pm, ends at 8am- you will need a form of ID!!
- No Drugs, paraphernalia, alcohol or weapons
- You are expected to follow the rules and respect the CFH staff
- You may be asked for your information even if WAM is full

How to start services at Oaklawn

Visit one of our Open Access clinics to begin treatment. You do not need to call to schedule an appointment. Visit during any of the days/times listed below at the location where you want to receive services. Clinics are held:

Elkhart campus
2600 Oakland Ave.
Elkhart, IN 46517

South Bend campus
415 E. Madison St.
South Bend, IN 46617

- Monday 8a-2p
- Tuesday 8a-2p
- Wednesday 12-6p
- Thursday 10a-4p
- Friday 8a-2p

Goshen campus
330 Lakeview Dr.
Goshen, IN 46528

- Monday 10a-2p
- Tuesday 10a-2p
- Wednesday 2-6p
- Thursday 12-4p
- Friday 10a-2p

What to bring with you (if you have them):

- Insurance card
- Valid photo ID (driver's license, state ID, etc.)
- Social Security number of the person beginning services

**If client is under 18, their legal guardian must accompany them to the clinic.*

COT

City Outreach Team



OAKLAWN

Toward Health & Wholeness

Contact us

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What is COT?

The City Outreach Team is designed to support the outreach, engagement and delivery of services to people who are unstably housed.

Who is eligible?

People who are homeless, age 18 and older:

- Sleeping in a place not meant for human habitation, such as cars, inadequate dwellings, tents, abandoned buildings or the street
- People who are unstably housed or people who are in need of housing retention services to maintain their current housing

What to expect

A COT- team member will meet with you to:

- Discuss your immediate shelter needs
- Provide resources for WAM, or warming centers
- Provide resources for starting Oaklawn services
- Discuss your history of homelessness and illness, review barriers to being housed
- Complete housing assessments or reassessments

Services provided include

- Help with attaining emergency shelter
- Help with housing applications
- Connection to a therapist for mental health and substance use disorder treatment
- Connection to government resources (FSSA, SSA, HIP, Voc Rehab, etc.)
- Connection to other community partners

Housing possibilities

COT does not have housing, but helps with housing applications, which include:

- Permanent supportive housing for the homeless
- Subsidized housing
- Oliver Apartments / FUSE project (St. Joseph County only)
- Private landlords

Emergency Shelters

- Faith Mission (Elkhart)
- Hope Ministries (South Bend)
- Center for the Homeless (South Bend)
- Motels4Now (South Bend)
- First Light Mission (Goshen)
- Several low-barrier shelters

Community partners include

- “Soup kitchens”
- Food pantries
- Clothing pantries
- Health Navigators
- Homeless shelters
- Domestic violence safe havens
- Addiction treatment facilities

Other important resources:

National Suicide Prevention and Crisis hotline (24/7): 988

Oaklawn On-Call (24/7):
574-533-1234

Elkhart City Homeless Coalition:
www.facebook.com/elkhomecoalition

About Oaklawn

Oaklawn is the community mental health center for St. Joseph and Elkhart counties.

Our Mission

With uncommon expertise in mental health and addictions services, Oaklawn joins with individuals, families and our community on the journey toward health and wholeness.

Our Values

As part of a faith-based organization, the people of Oaklawn are committed to: compassion, integrity, human dignity, professional expertise and community partnerships.