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Subject: Warming Center Training

Please be advised!

NOTICE REGARDING WARMING CENTER VOLUNTEERS:

College Park Church, in partnership with **Oregon Coast Community Action** (ORCCA), will soon open its doors for **The Family Warming Center**. The purpose is to provide a safe, warm shelter for homeless families during the coldest winter nights.

The Family Warming Center is a secure place out of the weather where a warm evening meal awaits. Individual sleeping mats and clean bedding is provided—with breakfast in the morning. While our target population is families, there may be exceptions made for health conditions among the elderly and for those with severe disabilities.

The center will be open on nights when the outside temperatures are predicted by NOAA to be at, or below' 36° Fahrenheit, provided there is sufficient staff.

In order to operate effectively for the season, many volunteers will be needed. Warming center shifts will require a minimum of four (4) adults (male and/or female) to run throughout the night. For the convenience of volunteers, we are organizing these into four-hour increments, though volunteers may work additional shifts through the night, or even the entire night (which would be wonderful for us when that is possible).

Positions will be needed for set up, intake, meal prep & clean-up, guest monitoring, and closing the center. Even one shift per week can make a significant difference.

We have planned our initial training events as follows:

Tuesday, December 18, 6:00-8:00 pm

Wednesday, December 18, 6:00-8:00 pm

Thursday, December 18, 6:00-8:00 pm

YOU ONLY NEED TO ATTEND ONE TRAINING EVENT, and I doubt they will last a full 2 hours.

Please email me back if you would like to attend an event (and which event), so that we can be prepared. If you would like training, but cannot be at one of those events, please contact me to arrange an alternative time, if possible.

I apologize for the short notice, but we have been working hard to complete the 28 requirements that the City of North Bend imposed on our Conditional Use Permit in order to open. Our goal is to be ready for clients no later than January 1st.

One more thing: Because we are offering services to families with underage children, we are required by church policy to do a criminal background check on all volunteers, for which we need your approval. There is, however, no cost to you for this service, and all results are maintained in the strictest of confidence. We hope this does not cause you any difficulty.

For more information about *The College Park Family Warming Center*, please email me at <u>pastorlamar@charter.net</u>, or call me at my cell number, 541-404-6235.

Thank you so much; your participation is greatly appreciated!

Pastor Rich

Senior Pastor, College Park Church