

## Narrative

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Please provide the following information.

**Please provide a narrative regarding any accomplishments or barriers during this quarter. You may also upload any supporting documentation below.**

We completed our season in this quarter. We provided 854 night stays with 854 evening meals and 854 light breakfasts. One great success story is one of our guests agreed to AODA counseling and at the end of the season had remained sober for 4 months. Our largest barrier this quarter was the fact that we were closing on the morning of May 1st. As we reach the end of the season, reality begins to set in for many that we will no longer be a resource for them. Especially those that are banned from the Salvation Army. The reality for them is they will be homeless on the streets.

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The Warming Center is open November 1st through May 1st so we do not have any new data for this reporting period.

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We began a new season in this quarter. We provided 1199 night stays with 1199 evening meals and 1199 light breakfasts. Our largest challenge this quarter was getting all of our staff and volunteers trained so we could open our doors on November 1st. We see a large influx of folks utilizing our services right away with the cold weather so we have to be very efficient with client intake as soon as we open.

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We neared the end of a shelter season this quarter. We provided 3,030 night stays with 3,030 evening meals and 3,030 light breakfasts. Our largest challenge this quarter was dealing with a stretch of severe winter weather with multiple days/nights below zero where we operated at emergency capacity, which can require more of our shelter staff and volunteers. We had to work very efficiently to ensure we served all shelter guests and provided the needed care during those cold nights.

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## Final Report

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Please provide the following information.

**1. Briefly describe the public service activity and its purpose. Mention who the activity was intended to help and the community need it addressed.**

The La Crosse Warming Center (LWC) is a seasonal emergency night-by-night shelter open each night from November 1st through the morning of May 1st annually. The LWC provides single adults experiencing homelessness a safe place to be and sleep, a warm dinner, a light breakfast, showers, laundry, personal care items, warm clothing, and referrals to mainstream resources. The LWC can serve up to 34 individuals every night, with capacity raised to 44 in extreme weather.

**2. Summarize key accomplishments, such as the number of people served, types of services provided, and any specific outcomes achieved.**

In total, during the grant period we served 336 unduplicated individuals at the LWC for a total of 5,883 bed nights and 5,883 suppers and light breakfasts. As a No Wrong Door agency, we participate in Coordinated Entry and connected guests to mainstream resources throughout the grant period. During the grant period, a total of 64 exited shelter to more permanent housing situations, and we grew our partnerships with community partners like the City of La Crosse, St. Clare Health Mission, and Coulee Recovery Center.

**3. Explain how the activity has positively affected the community. Describe the changes in quality of life, access to resources, or any specific benefits for the target population.**

The LWC, by providing this necessary resource for such a vulnerable population, acutely lowers the strain on the City's emergency resources, hospitals, jails, and local businesses. The work of the LWC is a vital piece of the Pathways Home 5 Year Plan to End Homelessness, and by connecting those experiencing homelessness to mainstream resources, especially those who are chronically homeless, we can continue to move towards the goal of stints of homelessness being rare, brief, and singular events.

**4. Briefly mention any challenges faced during the project and how they were addressed. This demonstrates adaptability and problem-solving.**

Aside from those challenges described in the quarterly reports, the biggest challenge currently facing LWC and the guests we served is the coming closure of the shelter for the season and the anxiety that many of our guests have around the uncertainty that follows. During this time, we do our best to engage with guests nightly to plan their shelter exits and ensure they know what community resources they have access to and could benefit from.

**5. Include any success stories or testimonials.**

Anna was at the WC this season. Dealing with addiction issues. Started to get clean and not using. Got a part time job. We brought in an NA meeting group at the WC this season. She started attending the meetings and then we referred her to additional meetings at Coulee Recovery which she attended when not working. She had appts with Mobile Med that comes to the WC. She got a community help worker who helped her secure a spot with Unity through Emplify (30 day) program. She completed, and reunited with her family. We are happy to say as of now, she is currently 120 days sober!

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