

Deer Ridge Trailer Park

Deer Ridge Trailer Park was purchased in 1991 for the purpose of ensuring that the park remained open for its low income residents. Currently there are twelve dwellings in the trailer park. The park is self sufficient, each resident owns their own trailer which is located on land trust. The tenants are responsible for a fair lot rental. The park although overseen administratively from H.O.M.E. is managed by the residents, who meet monthly. Deer Ridge is an affordable mobile home park, all tenants are responsible for their own utilities and rent income from tenants is managed in an account solely for maintenance and upkeep of the park, such as plowing.

Similar to the Covenant Community Land Trust models in Dedham and Sedgwick, Deer Ridge tenants have a renewable and inheritable land lease.

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The Dorr House

The Dorr House, located on grounds in Orland serves as a shelter for adult males. The house offers a community kitchen, common room and four bedrooms with two beds in each. The residents are not required to leave during the day and are encouraged to work in various departments of H.O.M.E.

The residents of the Dorr House have access to vegetables daily and food boxes are provided to residents based on need. A hot meal is served in the market stand on weekdays and on Sundays.

The shelter is equipped with a phone service and a coin operated laundry is provided on grounds. The resident house manager is provided a vehicle to transport men to various outreach services such as appointments and errands.



H.O.M.E./EMMAUS is a nonprofit organization dedicated to keeping and enhancing the quality of life for low-income and homeless families. Through services, stewardship of resources, and shared responsibility, we aim to bring forth new possibilities for food, jobs, shelter, low-income housing, education and self sufficiency.



"Serve First Those Who Suffer Most"

The Sister Barbara Hance House

The Sister Barbara Hance House has a capacity for eight residents. Located on 2 1/2 acres the house is an old farmhouse. Every resident has his/her own room. Residents of the Sister Barbara Hance House share all household responsibilities.

The house is for men and women who are single and without children. The house maintains a strict drug-free environment and residents are encouraged to seek treatment for substance abuse if needed. All residents are expected to develop an individual goal-oriented plan. The plan addresses the problematic aspects of residents' lives and is designed to prevent future homelessness. There is an onsite laundry and phone service available to residents. The length of stay is two years. The Sister Barbara Hance House is a transitional house with occupancy and shared office hours 8am-4pm
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Dedham Transitional Apartments

The Transitional Houses in Dedham were built with the goal of housing people who are in transition from homelessness to permanent housing. The complex consists of two duplexes. Each duplex consists of two, two-bedroom apartments. Residents are responsible for paying telephone and cable expenses. Electricity and



Mandala Farm

Mandala Farm began welcoming homeless people in 1972. Today, Mandala Farm continues to provide shelter for 10 people. Mandala Farm serves women, men, children. Each Saturday, in addition to weekly chores, residents are expected to work until noon.

The Shelter, located on Toddy Pond, is a working farm and residents are required to work. In addition a community meal is open to residents and the public on Monday and Thursday evenings. All meals are provided. A telephone is provided, as is internet access. Residents are required to contribute their portion of the phone expenses. Transportation and Outreach services are provided. Subscriptions to local newspapers are maintained to help residents who are in need of employment.
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Resident Director, Ellen Moore



The Hospitality House

The Hospitality House serves as a shelter for men, women and children. There are two handicap accessible apartments. The Hospitality House contains small efficiency apartments with two beds in each. Each apartment has a full service kitchen. There is a laundry room on-site.

Each resident receives one food box per month from H.O.M.E's food bank. There is no shelter director on-site, however Shelter staff visit the house regularly to meet with residents to discuss

the first services and permanent housing. Buddy's service is available on a sliding scale to assist parents who are looking for work or attending the Learning Center.



The St Francis Inn

The St Francis Inn is a nine bed emergency shelter for homeless women and children. The shelter offers access to one full service kitchen and provides food for breakfast and is open for community dinners. Residents do not have to leave during the day and are encouraged to work toward finding permanent housing.

The St. Francis Inn provides resources for residents to assist them in locating work, housing and applying for assistance programs. The shelter posts housing and employment information and provides transportation if needed to meet these appointments. Residents have a private space to store personal items and the house has a community laundry and shared shower. Each resident has access to vegetables daily and food boxes from the food bank. A hot meal is provided daily at the soup kitchen.

Shelter residents meet with the resident director to assess each individual's plans for permanent housing. A phone is provided for residents and vouchers are available for residents (when they find housing) to find needed items at the Bargain Barn. Residents are required to do an intake with the resident director on arrival.

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H.O.M.E. Overflow space.

Pottery Shop:

Located on grounds are four additional shelter spaces: one is above the Pottery Shop and houses one single male. The apartment is an efficiency apartment designed for people in transition. All expenses are incurred by H.O.M.E.

Bill's house:

Behind the Bargain Barn lies a small house suitable for a family or individual. The house is self sufficient, all expenses are paid by the tenant.

Charlottes Apt:

The small efficiency apartment attached to the Dorr House Men's Shelter is home to a couple without children. The apartment is rented out and utilities are included.

The Volunteer Center and Learning Center are

considered overflow shelter space. The volunteer Center serves as shelter space. It houses large families and several individuals. There is a large dormitory style room equipped with shower and bathroom.

The Learning Center is used to shelter people when there is no room available for families. A large classroom is available for up to ten people.

There is a coin-operated laundry on-site and the Market Stand and Food Bank services are available to individuals and families. Residents in overflow also utilize our outreach service. A phone is not provided for incoming calls; however, a phone is available downstairs in the community kitchen for outgoing local calls. Shelter residents who need to call long distance are required to make arrangements with a staff member to make calls.

The Emmaus Center

The Mission of the Emmaus Homeless Shelter in Ellsworth, Maine, on the corner of Main and Water Street, is to provide a safe and comfortable environment for homeless men, women and families in need of temporary shelter who are willing to work towards ending their homelessness. We are committed to helping the poor in our local communities by offering a wide range of services and referrals to anyone in need.

The Emmaus Shelter is a 25- bed alcohol and drug free facility that includes two dormitories, one each for single men and woman and four family rooms. It is a 24 - hour staffed facility open 365 days a year and in 2009 we served 319 guests with 6315 bed nights.

During the past ten years, the 43 Homeless Shelters in Maine have experienced many Federal and State cuts in our yearly subsidy. In order for the Emmaus Shelter to serve this many bed nights we are compelled to do some serious fund-raising which includes our Spring Fest.

The Emmaus Homeless Shelter 5th Annual Spring Fest Concert and Auction on April 25th was a wonderful event and very successful and has caused our barometer on the shelter to rise!

I was truly touched by the overwhelming support and thrilled to share our final tally - \$55,500! Four times what we did at our 1st Spring Fest in 2006 that netted \$13,600.

It truly was a collaborative effort of many and some of the proceeds of this event will go to updating the shelter's old heating system, chimney repair and maintenance needed in order to stay in compliance with the lead abatement regulations.

Some of the "Friends of Emmaus" who made this annual fund-raiser possible were: 96 pledges from individuals, business and churches; Michael and Fayelle Anderson of the August Moon Catering Service of Bar Harbor who donated their talent and time and provided us with delicious appetizers and buffet; Brian Spencer of Wallace Tent and Party Rentals for all the hall appliances and furnishings and Wo's Barbeque for furnishing a grill and grilling. The Auction Committee, especially Eileen and Bill Mulliken, who formulated and displayed all 120 auction items donated by our loyal and supportive local businesses.

The audience was entertained by a relaxing Jazz Concert performed by Hugh Bowden & John Gallagher. Also, young Gus LaCasse, who has been an Emmaus volunteer since the age of four, made his debut playing the violin.

The shelter is truly grateful to the many "Friends of Emmaus" who over the past 17 years have made the following quote by Anthony Robbins come alive - "Life is a gift, and it offers us the privilege, opportunity, and responsibility to give something back"

Sister Lucille MacDonald, Director
Photos taken by Kim Wade



Sr. Miriam Devlin, Sr Nancy Earle, Sr Lucille MacDonald and Kay Marando



Entertainment: Hugh Bowden, John Gallagher and Gus La Casse



Michael and Fayelle Anderson - August Moon Catering Service.



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