



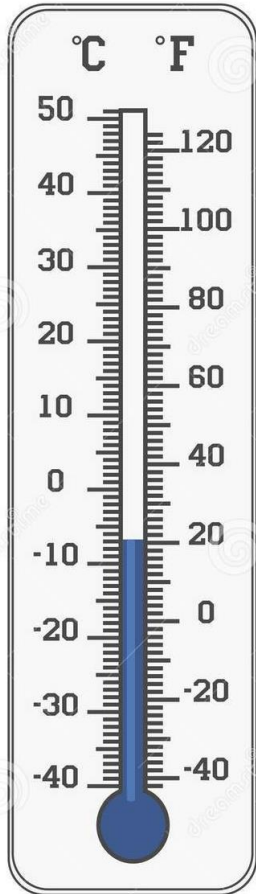
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## Crisis Cold Weather Shelter Season Summary

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# Crisis Cold Weather Shelter Overview



- Seasonal overnight shelter beds
- Independently “staffed” and operated
- Follow health and safety guidelines of the City of Springfield
- Supplement to the approximately 400 emergency shelter beds available year-round

# 2020 -2021 Summary

Shelter sites open 72 nights providing 5,801 bed nights  
Average of 80 people served per night

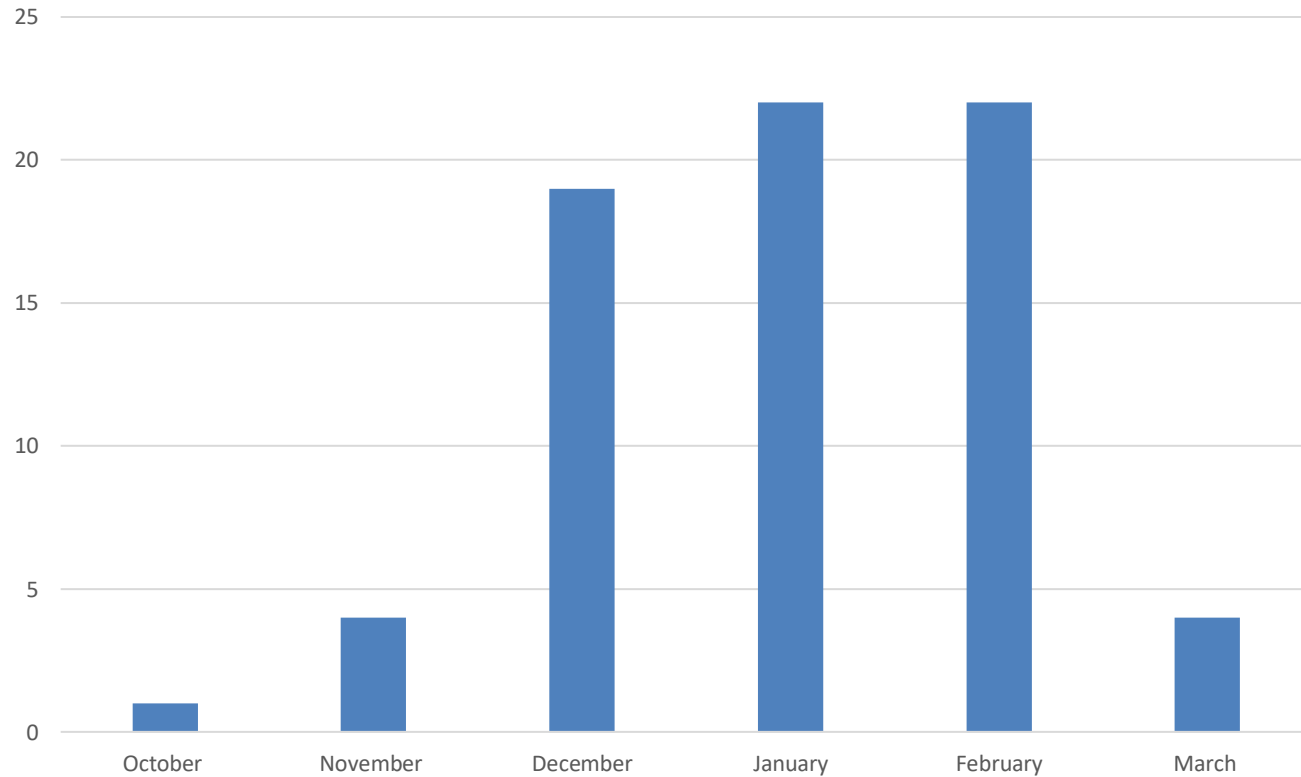
## **Men's/Couples Shelters**

Average of 68 people served per night

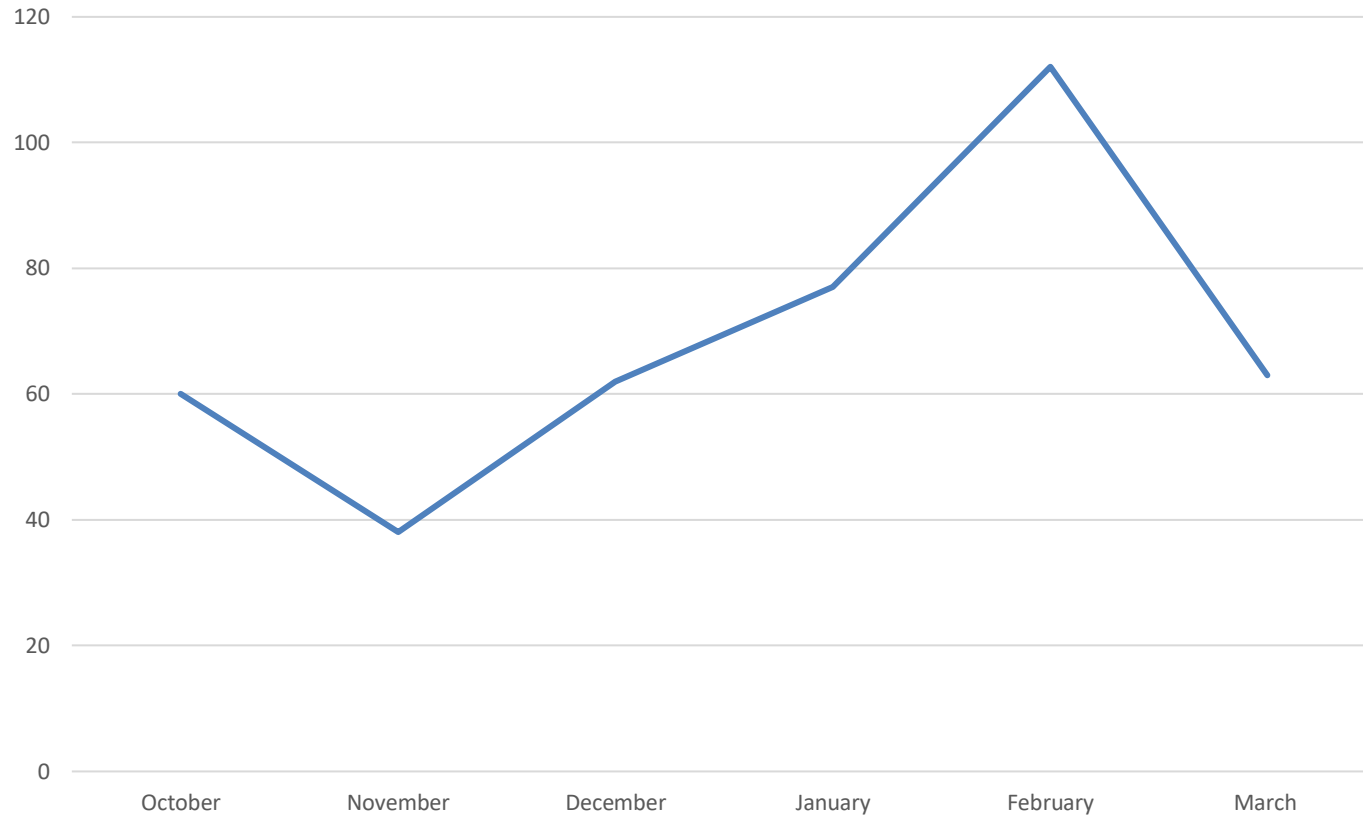
## **Women's Shelter**

Average of 12 women served per night

# Nights Open per Month



# Monthly Average Served per Night



# Ozarks Alliance Partners

*Provided a shelter site, transportation, pick-up site, and/or funding*

Brentwood Christian Church

City of Springfield

City Utilities Transit

East Sunshine Church of Christ

First Unitarian Universalist

Freeway Ministries

Grace United Methodist Church

Hope Church

National Avenue Christian Church

Salvation Army

The Gathering Tree

United Way of the Ozarks

Veterans Coming Home Center



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# Volunteer Feedback

*Support was also provided by countless community volunteers and advocates. This is why they volunteered.*

Following the example  
of Christ to love my  
neighbor

I had many powerful and  
incredible moments. . . I was  
humbled over and over again.

It was the right  
thing to do

It was a crisis and I  
was able to help

Loved meeting  
other members of  
my community.

Wanted  
to be part of the  
solution

It was a good  
opportunity to  
serve



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# Looking Ahead to 2021-2022

*Crisis Cold Weather Shelter Planning Committee will focus on . . .*

## **Sustainability**

- Earlier planning
- Coordinated opportunities for support outside of overnight volunteers
- Consistency across sites with volunteer training, scheduling, and policies

## **Shelter Considerations**

- Fewer, larger shelter sites with easier sign-up/transportation process
- Shelters for couples/pets
- Shelters that can easily increase beds as needed

## **Anticipated Needs**

- Funding
- Shelter Sites
- Transportation Assistance
- Volunteers



*I was relieved to see the commitment to safety of guests and volunteers and the efforts made to keep everyone safe. It opened my mind to the idea that we can still meet needs when new challenges come, we just have to be creative and work together.*

*- Crisis Cold Weather Shelter Volunteer*

**For more information:**

[www.cpozarks.org/endhomelessness](http://www.cpozarks.org/endhomelessness)

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