

Care and Share of Crookston

Is a regional shelter that provides hospitality, support and hope to those in need.



The Hope Center (Upper Left), previously a rectory built in 1957, houses 4 or 5 families that are experiencing homelessness. To repair/ replace the flat roof at the Hope Center is \$ 62,000.00 and to replace windows there would be \$ 47, 669.86. The last time work was done on this roof was 24 years ago. Last work on some of the windows was done 26 years ago.

An old catholic elementary school built in 1932 houses single males and females, staff, the soup kitchen, food shelf and donation room. The cost to repair/replace flat roof on the school is \$ 162,000.00 and to replace windows there would be \$306,398.70. There was a roof layover 15 years ago at the school. We have no records of replacement of windows here.

We are experiencing water damage at each location and windows would significantly reduce heating costs and improve function.

To add an elevator at the old school would cost \$ 366,000.00.

The total cost being \$ 944,068.56.

Heads in Beds: Average 33 per night or 12,045 yearly

Soup Kitchen Lunch and Supper: Average 1, 053 per month

Food Shelf : Average 343 Family Members and 7,645.15 Pounds of food per month

Care and Share was established in 1986. We enjoy board community support from individuals, partner agencies and churches; which is necessary given our shoe string budget. Private donations from individuals and churches averages \$97,000 annually. Mental Health, County Social Services, Law Enforcement, Public Health and Tri Valley Community Action all greatly value our housing and services for families and female and male individuals who are experiencing homelessness and support us in doing so.

We are a regional shelter for families and individuals servicing the counties of Polk, Marshall, Kittson, Norman, Mahnomen, Pennington, Red Lake and Roseau. The nearest shelter that serves families is a 1 and ½ hour car drive away.

We provide a warm bed which becomes their own, 2 hot meals, clothing and personal care items. Residents can stay as long as they are making progress toward their goals. Case managers assist in obtaining IDs, housing, acquisition of cash and insurance benefits, mental, addiction and physical health services. Transportation is provided to help achieve these goals.

We provide quality services to very needy folks to help them reach self-sufficiency. I was pleased to hear homelessness is a bi partisan issue. Please move forward and pass our bill so we can continue to do so.