

Casting Vision with Greater Purpose

Although Hospitality INC was closed for the last two years, during that time we were busy casting a new vision for our men's shelter. From day one, we aimed to provide emergency shelter for our guests, but over the last few years we felt called to 'up our game'. We realized our shelter and guests had growing needs, and that meant a need for more square footage. After much time spent praying and exploring the Community Church as well as many other options, we are still unsure of our next steps. In the meantime, we have been able to temporarily secure the former shelter location of The Salvation Army for this winter. We are grateful for God's provision and will continue to seek His direction for a permanent, larger facility that will accommodate our growing needs.

As we reflected on the "why" we are in the business of sheltering, we were reminded that we simply do this because we love God, and we love people. By building relationships and offering to help guests in need, we affirm that we are not here to change people, but rather to offer up space where change can take place.

As part of our new vision, we feel it is important to provide more continuity and consistency with our Volunteers. To accomplish this, part of the restructuring plan will move us from Church or Workplace Teams to Missional Teams. The new Teams will allow for greater focus and building community. Volunteers with a passion for the ministry and a heart to make a difference in someone's life are asked to join a Missional Team where they feel called to serve. Serving could be once a week or every other week depending on the team commitment.

A new vision will no doubt include changes, but the heart of the ministry of Hospitality INC remains the same:

In the Name of Christ
Loving God and loving people by building relationships.

13 years of experience in this ministry has confirmed that building solid relationships with our Guests is the common denominator to successfully helping them move forward.

Brief descriptions and time commitments of each Missional Team can be found attached to the volunteer application. We prayerfully hope that God is calling you to join us in this mission field.

Volunteer Application and Consent to Background Check



Hospitality In the Name of Christ

See page 2 for brief Missional Team descriptions.
More details will be posted on the website.

Last Name: _____ First: _____ Middle: _____ Suffix: _____

Race: _____ Gender: _____ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Preferred method to contact you: _____ If cell phone, may we also text you? YES: _____ NO: _____

Which Missional Team(s) would like to serve on? Please **rank in order of preference** if more than one:

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|-----------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| _____ Kitchen | _____ Evening Visitor | _____ Worship Wednesdays | _____ Janitorial |
| _____ Chaplain | _____ Health & Wellness | _____ Laundry | _____ Prayer Partners |
| _____ Overnight | _____ Shelter Coordinator | | |

Which day(s) of the week would you like to participate? Please **rank in order of preference** if more than one:

_____ Sun _____ Mon _____ Tue _____ Wed _____ Thu _____ Fri _____ Sat

Are you flexible and could you serve any day of the week? YES: _____ NO: _____

Also, each Missional Team will need two co-leaders. Would you be interested in helping in this important role?

YES: _____ NO: _____

Have you had a criminal background check conducted within the past 5 years? YES: _____ NO: _____

If yes, please provide the date if known and the reason for the background check.

Date: _____ Reason: _____

Please list any other names that you have used (last/first/middle): _____

Please read the following agreements before signing consent.

1. I hereby authorize Hospitality In the Name of Christ, and any of its authorized representatives, to obtain information from the Michigan State Police ICHAT system pertaining to my criminal history or information that may make me unsuitable as a Volunteer.
2. I hereby authorize you to release such information upon request to Hospitality In The Name of Christ. This Authorization is executed with the full knowledge and understanding that the information is for official use by Hospitality In the Name of Christ.
3. I hereby release you, the organization in which you represent, including its members, both individually and collectively, from any and all liability for damages of whatever kind, which may at any time result to me, my heirs, family or associates because of compliance with this Authorization for Release of Information, or any attempt to comply with it.

This Authorization will continue in effect for 90 days from the date of signature.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Restricted _____	Date _____

Missional Team	Commitment	Time	Brief Description
KITCHEN 8 volunteers per team, 12 teams total. <i>Excludes Tuesdays for Community Table</i>	Once every other week. 11/12 days total.	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm <i>Dinner is 6:30-7:30</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choose/plan menu. • Purchase food. • Prepare meal at home and bring "potluck style" • Serve guests with a smile • Wash dishes & clean kitchen before 8:00 am departure.
EVENING VISITOR 2 volunteers per night	Once every other week. 11/12 days total.	5:30 pm - 10:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet and greet Guests making a point to remember their names. • Eat dinner with Guests. • Interact, make friends, play games, etc. to build genuine relationships with Guests. • Assist coordinators as needed.
2 OVERNIGHT (sleeping) 2 volunteers per night (Either 2 males or 2 females or a married couple)	Once every other week. 11/12 days total.	10:00 pm - 8:00 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan to sleep but be available if needed. • Set up continental breakfast in the morning. • Help the Overnight Staff with anything that comes up as necessary. • Close the shelter after Guests leave for the day.
1 OVERNIGHT (awake) 1 volunteer per night	Once a week. 23 days total.	10:00 pm - 8:00 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stay awake the entire night. • In charge of sleeping Guests. • Complete Intake for any Guests arriving during the night. • Miscellaneous tasks to be completed
LAUNDRY 3 volunteers on laundry day <i>Wash is done once every other week.</i>	Once a month. 6 days total.	7:45 am pick-up from shelter 5:15 pm pick-up from Brite n Clean	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gather dirty laundry and transport to Brite n Clean • Pick up laundry and deliver back to Shelter. • Organize and put away clean laundry
SHELTER COORDINATOR 2 volunteers per evening	Once a week. 23 days total.	5:30 pm - 10:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responsible for all Guests entering the shelter. • Guest intake. • Overall safety of all personnel on site. • Communicate via email to other SC's of the evening events.
HEALTH & WELLNESS			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide protocols for following CDC guidelines for handling influenzas, COVID, etc. • Help guests to learn and incorporate healthy lifestyle behaviors.
WORSHIP WEDNESDAY	Once a week. 23 days total	7:45 pm – 8:45 pm (Family Gathering is 8:00 - 8:30 pm)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People who wish to share their musical talents. • Acoustic instruments are preferred.
CHAPLAIN 1 per evening Excludes Saturdays.	Once a week. 23 days total.	7:45 pm - 8:45 pm (Family Gathering is 8:00 - 8:30 pm)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create an environment where the Guests don't want to miss out on the non-mandatory devotions. • Deliver a 15–20-minute biblical message. • Theme driven. • Communicate via email to other Chaplains of evening's progress
JANITORIAL 2 volunteers per day	Once every other week. 11/12 days total.	7:45 am – 10:00 am?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oversee and assist Guests with daily chores. • Sweep and mop floors • Empty garbage • Clean bathrooms • Tidy up shelter • Disinfect sleeping areas.
PRAYER PARTNERS Unlimited volunteers	Without ceasing	Any/All the time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pray for the Guests and volunteers. • Pray for the direction of the ministry and the Hospitality Board. • Work with the Communications/Public Relations Manager to create a system for people to post their prayer requests as well as their answered prayers.