

SOAN 324: Hunger & Homelessness Internship / Service Opportunities*

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Agencies for Which I Have Recent Data

Agencies in Redlands

1. * Home Again Project / Family Service Association

- 612 Lawton, Redlands – 909.793.2673
- Help homeless families through childcare, office duties, client services, help in food pantry and clothing room
- Contact: 909.793.2673
- <https://www.redlandsfamilyservice.org/>

2. *Blessing Center

- ~~60 E. Stuart St., Redlands, CA 92374~~
- (909) 793-5677; <http://theblessingcenterredlands.org/>
- General food, clothing distribution and inventory work
- Provides temp shelter in winter months
- Medical/dental clinic
- Homeless services

***The Blessing Center lost its lease and is currently in transition.
It is currently not available for Internships.***

3. *Youth Hope

- Focused on Redlands' street teens, many of whom are homeless
- A relatively young organization, which has grown rapidly in the last few years
- Recently built a youth drop-in center
- Volunteers should be solid, focused, and willing to take a long-term commitment
- <http://youthhope.org> (909) 793-2345

4. *Steps 4 Life

- Provides transitional programs for people/families experiencing poverty
- Temporary housing, employment readiness, preventing recidivism, personal development, etc.
- <https://steps4lifetoday.org/> (909) 335-1488

5. *Thrive Single Moms:

- Provides services for single mothers, including housing, women's support groups, life skills, leadership training
- <https://www.thrivesinglemoms.org/> 909.253.5294

6. *Inland Temporary Homes

- 26300 Mission Road, Loma Linda – 909.796.6381
 - *They often don't return calls quickly; be persistent.*

* Starred/boldface entries have been good learning experiences for students in past years. The others aren't bad; they may just not have had students visit them recently. (See me for details.) Agencies new to this list so marked.

- Assist with various kids' groups, assist Tuesday nights with "Kidz Night Out", etc. Tutor.
- <http://www.ithomes.org/>
Inland Temporary Homes was not accepting interns last year. However, their website currently says they accept volunteers.

7. *Our House Youth Shelter

- <https://www.facebook.com/OurHouseCA>
- 1387 Jasper Ave, Mentone, California 92359; phone 909-335-2676; can message through Facebook (*FB page is current*)
- A project of Family Assistance www.familyassist.org
- *Requires letters of recommendation, background check, extensive training. Very worthwhile.*

8. Salvation Army (Redlands)

- 838 Alta Street, Redlands
- Social Services phone: 951 792-6868
- Feeding program and store
The Salvation Army is consolidating its operations in San Bernardino. It is probably not available for Internships.

9. Habitat for Humanity

- 25948 Business Center Drive, Redlands – 909.478.1176
- <http://www.habitat4humanity.net/>
- Everything from office work to fundraising to construction to working with delinquent families.

10. Inland Harvest

- <https://inlandharvest.org/>
- A group that distributes unused food from groceries and other institutional settings to established feeding programs.
- Lots of opportunity to pick up and deliver food. Not sure how much opportunity to observe the organization.
- (909) 353-7890; inlandharvest1@gmail.com

11. Helping Hands Pantry (*Redlands & San Bernardino*)

- Food pantry, distributing free food 7 days a week, 362 days a year
- Lots of volunteer opportunities: <https://helpinghandspantry.org/volunteers/>
- **Community Garden: 1106 Chestnut, Redlands CA 92373**
- Warehouse: 2205 S. Artesia, San Bernardino, CA 92408
- <https://helpinghandspantry.org/>

Agencies in Nearby Cities:

1. * Central City Lutheran Mission

- 1354 North "G" Street – 909.381.6921
- Men's shelter (November to April), free clinic, other activities.
- <http://www.cclm.org>; http://www.cclm.org/mens_shelter.php
- <https://www.facebook.com/CentralCityLutheranMission>

2. *Path of Life Ministries

- Homeless shelters in Riverside for single people, families, transitional housing, etc.
- Various assignments, from mentor, homework assistance, food server, interpreter, office support, etc.
- Volunteer Contact: Vanessa Clark at vanessa@thepathoflife.com
- Main website: <http://thepathoflife.com/> (recently redone)
- Program page: <http://thepathoflife.com/services/>

7. *Second Harvest Food Bank (Riverside)

- 2950 Jefferson St # B, Riverside – 951.359.4757
- <https://www.facebook.com/secondharvest.us>

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13. Visionary Homes (NEW)

- A shelter for homeless youth in San Bernardino, open since Fall, 2012
- 3171 North Sierra Way, San Bernardino, CA 92404 (909) 486-3454
- http://testsite.vvyla-ie.org/?page_id=663 has a rudimentary description of the shelter program and a link to an online internship application. Also explore <http://www.vvyla-ie.org/>
- Only takes volunteers when there are enough clients

5. Frazee Community Center

- 1140 W. Mill St, San Bernardino -- 909.889.4424
- Services for homeless and meals
- <http://www.frazeecenter.org/>

6. Mary's Mercy Center

- 641 Robards, San Bernardino – 909.889.2558 [check address before going]
- Food program Monday through Thursday, transitional housing for adult pregnant women and their children
- <http://www.marysmercycenter.org/volunteer.html> Call Marsha or Ernestine

8. Catholic Charities, San Bernardino

- 1450 North D Street San Bernardino – 909.388.1239 (current administrative site)
- Food bank and meals. Social, educational and health counseling and support. Temporary shelter and housing.
- <http://www.ccsbriv.org/> Online volunteer form at <http://ccsbriv.org/volunteer/>

9. Time for Change Foundation for Homeless Women & Children (NEW)

- <http://www.timeforchangefoundation.org/>; (909) 886-2994
- “Transitional living for homeless women and children

3. *Cornerstone Compassion Center

- 903 East Third Street, San Bernardino – (909) 888 - 1729
- 1605 N. Sierra Way, SB – (909)886 - 8104
- <http://www.cornerstonecompassion.org/compassioncenter.html>
- Rev. Robin Hyde (rockrev@aol.com)

This organization appears to have disappeared.

10. Operation Grace (*NEW*)

- Food bank, women's shelter, transitional housing for women & children
- <http://operationgrace.com/>; (909) 382-8540 ; Operation.grace@yahoo.com

Farther Afield:1. * ***Los Angeles Catholic Worker (Los Angeles)***

- Programs:
 - Soup Kitchen: 821 E. 6th St, Los Angeles – 213.614.9615
 - Office & Wed. Night Liturgy: 632 N. Britannia St., L.A. – 323.267.8789
- Cooking and serving at the soup kitchen (Tues, Thurs, Saturday early morning); political work; help in medical clinic; weekly anti-war marches and anti-war and anti-death-penalty vigils; other stuff.
- <http://lacatholicworker.org/visiting-and-volunteering/soup-kitchen>
<http://lacatholicworker.org/vigil>
- <http://lacatholicworker.org/>

2. Circle of Hope (Corona)

- Transitional shelter. shelter for single women, single moms & dads, married couples with children
- 420 Harrison St Corona, CA 92880; (951) 278-2215

3. Los Angeles Mission

- 303 East 5th Street , Los Angeles -- 213.629.1227 (volunteer number = ext. 301)
- Volunteer page on website: <http://losangelesmission.org/volunteer/vol-op.html>
- <http://losangelesmission.org/index.html>

4. Union Rescue Mission

- 545 S. San Pedro St., Los Angeles – 213.347.6300
- Volunteer info: <http://www.urm.org/get-involved/volunteer-center/>
- <http://www.urm.org/>

Not Recommended:

1. I Care Shelter Home, Riverside

- At least a food program and training, other assistance
- ***Does not handle interns usefully.***
- Contact:
 - i. Terry – 951-359-8350 or 951-354-2273
 - ii. Pastor Sherry Sweetman (e-mail through website)
- <http://www.icareshelterhome.org/>

Agencies for Which My Data is Old &/or Sketchy (includes websites that don't appear to have been updated recently)

Agencies in Nearby Cities:

1. San Bernardino City Mission
 - 345 N I St San Bernardino (*old address*); website lists a new “temporary” address: 26200 Date Street, Highland,
 - 909.889.2700
 - <http://sanbernardinocitymission.org/asp/Site/WhatWeDo/FeedingTheHungry/>
 - <http://sanbernardinocitymission.org/asp/Site/WhatWeDo/ShelteringTheHomeless/index.asp>
2. San Bernardino Community Action Partnership Food Bank
 - 696 S. Tippecanoe Ave, San Bernardino (and other sites) – 909.723.1500
 - Food Bank Program 909-723-1581
 - Distributes food to individuals and families on a monthly basis
 - Links at <http://www.capsbc.org/>; click on Programs, then find the Food Bank link in the text. Or click on Volunteer and click on Food Bank volunteer. Apparently you have to fill out the form online.
 - <http://www.sbcounty.gov/capsbc/foodbankspot.html> sometimes works. (*The SB County website is very squirrely; often does not load, misdirects to SB County government, etc.*)
3. Riverside Men’s Shelter
 - 3315 Park Avenue, Riverside -- 909.274.0164
 - Offers shelter services to homeless men on a first come, first serve basis. 50 beds available. Supportive services include information and referral, job counseling and employment preparation. Socials services include re-entrance into society, tutoring, alcohol/drug abuse counseling, and education.
 - No contact name
4. Genesis Shelter – a project of Lutheran Social Services
 - 3772 Taft Street, Riverside – 951.689.7847
 - Older phone: 687.7246; old contact: Jim Graham (from 2005)
 - “Genesis House provides a supportive, faith-based atmosphere to assist women with children in moving from homelessness to affordable housing, employment and stable independent living.”
5. Home of Neighborly Service
 - 839 N Mount Vernon Ave, San Bernardino – 909.885.3491
 - Food share program and emergency aid
 - Old contact: Davida Schaeffer (from 2005)

Farther Afield:

1. Whittier First Day Coalition
 - 12426 Whittier Blvd, Whittier -- 562.945.4304
 - Contact: Ted Knoll (as of 2006)
 - <http://www.whittierfirstday.org/>

Websites for Further Exploration

1. Riverside County Homeless Shelter List
 - <http://www.homelesshelterdirectory.org/cgi-bin/id/city.cgi?city=Riverside&state=CA>
2. San Bernardino County Homeless Shelter List
 - <http://www.homelesshelterdirectory.org/cgi-bin/id/opensearch.cgi?city=san+bernardino&state=CA>
3. Riverside County Food Bank List
 - <http://www.homelesshelterdirectory.org/cgi-bin/id/opensearchfb.cgi?city=Riverside&state=CA>
4. San Bernardino County Food Bank List
 - <http://www.homelesshelterdirectory.org/cgi-bin/id/opensearchfb.cgi?city=san+bernardino&state=CA>