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DATE: June 12, 2006
TO: Gainesville City Commission
FROM: St. Francis House
SUBJECT: COLD NIGHT SHELTER REPORT

SFH Cold night shelter operated when the temperature reached 45 and below from October 2005 through March 2006 with the following statistics.

Number of cold nights per month:		Average number of people per night:	
October:	3	October:	19
November:	5	November:	20
December:	21	December:	31
January:	17	January:	13
February:	17	February:	12
March:	12	March:	12

A total of 75 cold shelter nights were provided with a total of 1362 shelter beds occupied. The overall average of people assisted per night was 18. The highest number of assisted individuals per night was 46 on December 26th, 2005.

The City assisted SFH in providing supplemental cold night shelter by providing \$26,565 from December 19, 2005 – March 31, 2006.

The items purchased with the city funding included, 60 cots and a storage building. The cots and the storage building will be used for the 2006/2007 cold night shelter.

Approximately 75% of the clients that participated in cold night shelter have been homeless for one year or longer.

Approximately 80% of the clients were local residents.

The reasons for being homeless and in the shelter are as follows:
No income, low income, medical, substance abuse, mental illness, no family, family unable to help.

Respectfully,
Kent Vann
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Executive Director

COLD NIGHT SHELTER

CHANGES IN RULES FOR RESIDENT'S

LAST LOAD OF LAUNDRY 8:00pm
CHILDREN MUST ALWAYS BE IN ROOM AT 8:30pm

RULES FOR COLD NIGHT GUESTS

- MUST PROVIDE A POLICE CLEARANCE
- CHECK IN TIME **7:30**pm to 11:00pm
- WAKE UP 6:30am
- MUST VACATE HOUSE BY 8:00am
- MUST FOLLOW HOUSE RULES

NO EXCEPTIONS!

- MEN WILL SLEEP IN DINING ROOM
- WOMEN WILL SLEEP IN
CHILDREN'S AREA

House Rules for St. Francis House Residents

Hours: 7:00 am	WAKE UP. Do not get up before 7 am, unless it is for work
7:30 – 8:00 am	Breakfast
8:00 am	House & Dining room closes
9:00 am	House opens, Day Shelter available, ask for guidelines at the front desk.
10:30 – 1:30 pm	Lunch served, line forms on the back porch
4:30 – 6:00 pm	Check in for bed 4:30pm M-F and 3:30pm Sat and Sun
6:00 pm	Returning residents must have checked in or lose their beds.
5:00 – 9:00 pm	Residents must do housekeeping chores assigned by Client Service Rep
10:00 pm	Return to St. Francis or lose your bed
11:00 pm	LIGHTS OUT!!! TV's and RADIOS OFF!!!!

RULES

- ❖ Enter and exit only through the main entrance (east doors).
- ❖ Cooperate with Staff and Volunteers.
- ❖ Be Courteous to others at all times.
- ❖ No smoking in the house at any time. Smoke outdoors only.
- ❖ No DRINKING, DRUGS or INTOXICATION on or off the property.
- ❖ No Foul or Abusive language.
- ❖ No fighting or threatening behavior.
- ❖ No weapons, dangerous items or pornography.
- ❖ No stealing or possession of stolen property.
- ❖ No switching rooms or beds without approval from staff.
- ❖ Do not enter anyone else's room.
- ❖ No inappropriate physical contact or sexual language.
- ❖ No night clothes outside of rooms.
- ❖ Maintain personal hygiene at all times.
- ❖ No dogs or pets in the house or inside the fenced porch area.
- ❖ No dishes or tableware can be taken out of the dining room.
- ❖ No open containers of food or drinks outside of the dining area.
- ❖ Residents are not allowed to serve food or give supplies to visitors.
- ❖ Make you bed everyday and keep your room clean.
- ❖ Do your housekeeping chore daily (check with staff for chore).
- ❖ Recycle cans, bottles, plastic and newspaper at the front desk.
- ❖ Daily progress must be reported to the Client Services Representative.
- ❖ Children are to be supervised by a parent at all times. All children must be in bed at bedtime.
- ❖ Report any violations of house rules to staff or a volunteer, don't attempt to handle the violations yourself.
- ❖ VIOLATIONS OF THESE RULES COULD RESULT IN LOSS OF YOUR BED

Resident Signature

Date

Staff Witness

Date