



COVENANT HOUSE
Sleep Out
To Support Homeless Youth



**One
night
can make a
difference.**



“Supporting Covenant House is an easy choice. The work they do for homeless kids is incredible. Much more than just a shelter, it’s a place for children to find a foundation to grow and be loved.”

Thomas Morstead
2019 Co-Chair



How We Help Runaway, Homeless, and At-Risk Youth in the New Orleans Area

Over a thousand youth receive our help each year.

In addition to food, clothing, and short & long-term housing, we provide medical and behavioral healthcare, individual and family counseling, job placement and training, educational assistance, life skills, and more.

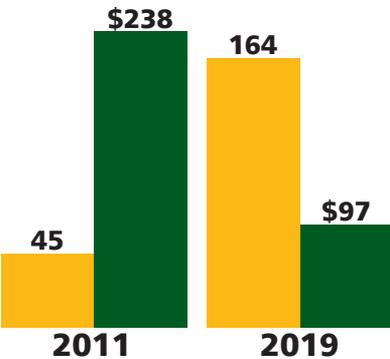
Here are some of our accomplishments:

- **943** youth and children were saved from the streets and abusive, dysfunctional homes, including **471** in our 24/7 Emergency Crisis Center
- **184** youth found work or began training programs
- **101** youth and children enrolled in school
- **98%** of our youth received comprehensive medical & behavioral healthcare, in partnership with Tulane Medical School.
- **74%** of our Crisis Center graduates and **88%** of our “Rights of Passage” graduates successfully reunited with family, enrolled in transitional or supportive housing, or saved enough of their employment income to rent an apartment.





Average Daily Census/ Average Daily Cost



For over 30 years, Covenant House has provided a safe haven for at-risk youth (ages 16-22), touching the lives of over 30,000 abused & neglected kids.

In the past eight years, our average daily census has increased from 45 to 164 kids per night.

We are guided by three cornerstones: **open intake, unconditional love & absolute respect.** No matter how full we are, *there is always room for one more.*



Schedule: November 21, 2019

- 7:00pm – Arrive for registration & tours
- 8:30pm – Testimonials & round-table discussions
- 10:30pm – Keynote
- 11:00pm – Sleep Out
- 6:00am – Light breakfast, reflections, departure

What will I need? To give up your bed for a night. We will provide a sleeping bag, a cardboard box, and a memorable experience.

Am I too old? Sleepers range in age from 26-80.

How much do I need to raise? We hope you will raise awareness by emailing at least 50 friends, and suggest a goal of raising **\$2,000** (minimum **\$1,000**) for our returning sleepers and **\$1,000** (minimum **\$500**) for our new sleepers. The average sleeper raised over \$2,500 last year. We provide a personal webpage and all the tools & resources you need to reach your goal.

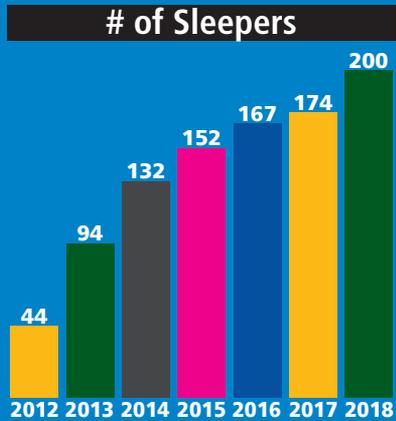
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Our Goal

Spending the night on the sidewalk with nothing but a sleeping bag and a cardboard box is a small sacrifice that sends a powerful message to runaway, homeless, and at-risk youth: “we stand with you in your struggles, celebrate your courage and resiliency, and support your promise and dreams.”

After seven successful Sleep Outs, our goal for 2019 is to raise \$525,000 and recruit 215 sleepers. We can only do it with your help.



“Sleeping Out is our way of saying: *we’re on your side. You matter to us.*”

Liz Sloss

2014 Co-Chair, 5-time sleeper & Board Member

“The stories of resilience from these amazing kids stay with you long after the Sleep Out is over.”

Katie Harvill

2019 Co-Chair, 5-time sleeper & Board Member



“Sleeping Out is critically important for these kids – Covenant House is 75% *privately funded.*”

Philip Claverie

2016 Co-Chair, 6-time sleeper

& 2018 Board Chair

“My mom had a drug problem, and she left one day... Covenant House is a place where *people care about you.* It was the best move I ever made in my *entire life.*”

Former Resident

“*Everyone is welcome. No one is ever turned away.*”

Joseph Exnicios

2015 Co-Chair & 7-time sleeper



"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me..."

Matthew 25:35-36



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