



COVENANT HOUSE
Sleep Out
To Support Homeless Youth



**One
night
can make a
difference.**



Covid-19 Pandemic Precautions

The safety of our youth and sleepers is our #1 priority. Those who choose to participate “virtually” will be included in all aspects of our immersive and rewarding program—from their living rooms or backyards. In-person attendees will be required to wear masks at all times and practice proper social distancing.



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.

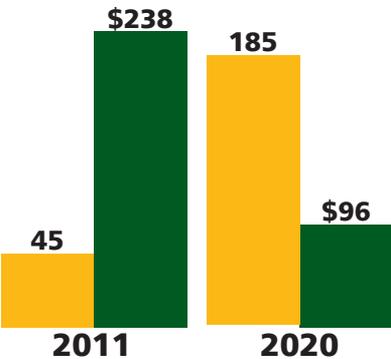
Here are some of our accomplishments:

- **896** youth and children were saved from the streets and abusive, dysfunctional homes, including **480** in our 24/7 Emergency Crisis Center
- **214** youth found work or began training programs
- **115** youth and children enrolled in school
- **98%** of our youth received comprehensive medical & behavioral healthcare, in partnership with Tulane Medical School.
- **70%** of our Crisis Center graduates and **86%** 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 185 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 19, 2020*

- 7:30pm – Register & Proceed to Armstrong Park
- 8:45pm – Testimonials, Presentations, Keynote
- 10:00pm – Depart Armstrong Park
- 10:20pm – Small Group Reflections (Virtual)
- 11:00pm – Sleep Out (or “Sleep In”)

*The entire program will be available via live online stream

What will I need? To give up your bed for a night. We provide a sleeping bag, a cardboard box, and a memorable experience. (This year, you also have the option to “Sleep In” from your own home or backyard.)

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

How much do I need to raise? We 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.

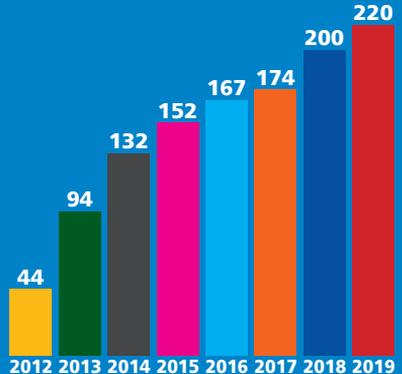
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or rarnold@covenanthouse.org / 504-584-1141

Our Goal

Sleeping Out – or “Sleeping In” – 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.”

Due to the pandemic, this year’s event will not look the same; but the urgency has never been greater. The critical funds you raise will help ensure that no child is turned away during this time of extraordinary crisis.

of Sleepers



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

Heather Millican Doyle

2020 Co-Chair, 3-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, 6-time sleeper & Board Member



“Sleeping Out is critically important for these kids – Covenant House is 74% privately funded.”

Philip Claverie

2016 Co-Chair, 7-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 & 8-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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