

**PROPOSAL REVIEW: Individual Staff Review for 2011-2012
For Community Resources Proposals to be Submitted to the
CDBG Committee**

1. **Program Name:** Warming Shelter

2. **Agency Name:** The Salvation Army of Dane County

3. **Requested Amounts:** 2011: \$40,750
 2012: \$40,750 **Prior Year Level: \$40,750**

4. **Project Type:** New Continuing

5. **Framework Plan Objective Most Directly Addressed by Proposed by Activity:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> A. Housing – Owner – occupied housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> J. Improvement of services to homeless and special populations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> B. Housing – Housing for homebuyers | <input type="checkbox"/> X. Access to Resources |
| <input type="checkbox"/> D. Housing – Rental housing | <input type="checkbox"/> K. Physical improvement of community service facilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> E. Business development and job creation | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> F. Economic development of small businesses | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> L. Revitalization of strategic areas | |

6. **Anticipated Accomplishments (Proposed Service Goals)**

Provide safety net opportunity for 14-16 homeless individuals in families 365 days a year, providing a place to sleep, meals and supportive services from 5 PM to 8 AM at The Salvation Army and during the daytime hours at The Road Home.

7. **To what extent does the proposal meet the Objectives of the Community Development Program Goals and Priorities for 2011-2012?**

Staff Comments: Outcome objective J. Stabilization or improvement of the housing situation of homeless or near homeless individuals. The Warming Shelter serves as a safety net when there are no other options for the family, helping the family move from homelessness to housing meeting the CD objective.

8. **To what extent is the proposed program design and work plan sufficiently detailed to demonstrate the ability to result in a positive impact on the need or problem identified?**

Staff Comments: Warming Shelter was a concept developed by members of the Shelter Providers Committee of the Homeless Services Consortium as a way to provide minimal, but safe shelter for families with no other place to go during the cold winter months. The Warming Shelter expanded in 2008 to operate year round in response to the growing need evidenced by the number of families turned away without shelter during the summer and fall. The Warming Shelter costs less to operate than building new shelter space while ensuring that homeless families receive shelter and services.

9. **To what extent does the proposal include objectives that are realistic and measurable and are likely to be achieved within the proposed timeline?**

Staff Comments: Proposal is realistic. The goal is simply to provide a safe night of shelter for families with children. The Salvation Army has experience and expertise, along with other family shelter providers, to operate this program.

10. **To what extent do the agency, staff and/or Board experience, qualifications, past performance and capacity indicate probable success of the proposal?**

Staff Comments: The staff at The Salvation Army is hired for their ability to work with the target population and receive additional training during the year on dealing with the issues of homeless who are a diverse group.

11. **To what extent is the agency's proposed budget reasonable and realistic, able to leverage additional resources, and demonstrate sound fiscal planning and management?**

Staff Comments: The budget is reasonable. CDBG Office staff have done on-site monitoring and have found The Salvation Army to be compliant with required federal and local regulations and ordinances.

12. **To what extent does the agency's proposal demonstrate efforts and success at securing a diverse array of support, including volunteers, in-kind support and securing partnerships with agencies and community groups?**

Staff Comments: The Warming Shelter utilizes volunteer help in serving meals to residents of Warming Shelter. A network of medical and dental volunteers have been organized to operate multiple clinics for residents of Warming Shelter, as well as family shelter residents.

13. To what extent does the applicant propose services that are accessible and appropriate to the needs of low income individuals, culturally diverse populations and/or populations with specific language barriers and/or physical or mental disabilities?

Staff Comments: The Salvation Army building is handicapped accessible and staff is trained to work with low-income persons with significant barriers to maintaining stable housing.

14. To what extent does the proposal meet the technical and regulatory requirements and unit cost limits as applicable? To what extent is there clear and precise proposal information to determine eligibility?

Staff Comments: The proposal meets all requirements.

15. To what extent is the site identified for the proposed project appropriate in terms of minimizing negative environmental issues, relocation and neighborhood or public concerns?

Staff Comments: The Warming Shelter utilizes office and programming space at 630 E. Washington Avenue by placing mattresses on the floor each evening. The Salvation Army site also includes 60 beds for homeless families and 30 drop-in beds for homeless single women.

16. **Other comments:**

The list of Board of Directors was not attached to application.

Questions:

17. **Staff Recommendation**

Not recommended for consideration

Recommend for consideration

Recommend with Qualifications

Suggested Qualifications: