



SUPPER AT THE SHELTER

The Community Shelter of Union County serves 90-100+ people three meals a day, for both the clients staying in the shelter and those hungry in the community. We invite you to "sponsor and serve" Supper at the Shelter on the 3rd Thursday of each month. Visit the website to see available dates and to sign up to serve.

"Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality." - Romans 12:13

HOW TO "SPONSOR AND SERVE"

1. PROVIDE

- Plan a meal and shop for the ingredients.
- Meals can be bought, homemade, or a combination of both.

2. PREPARE

- Enjoy a time of fellowship while you prepare the meal. Pray over the meal when it's complete.
- Please place all meal items in large sized disposable aluminum serving trays.

3. SERVE

- Location: Community Shelter of Union County 160 Meadow St., Monroe, NC. On the side of the building is a door marked "Donation Drop Off." Park here and ring the doorbell to enter.
- Dinner is served from 6:00-7:00 p.m. Please arrive by 5:30 p.m. to set up and receive instructions from the kitchen staff onsite to assist you. Clean-up after dinner usually takes about 15 minutes.
- While serving, we ask that long hair be pulled back and gloves be worn (gloves will be provided).
- As the guests come through the dinner line, you will serve the food and then hand them the tray, silverware, and drinks.
- 6-8 volunteers are needed. Children ages 10 and up are welcome to serve.

MEAL SUGGESTIONS:

Chicken tenders from Publix, green beans and fruit
Frozen lasagnas, salad and breadsticks
Pizza (2 slices each), salad and dessert
Casserole dishes, green beans, salad and bread
Roasted chicken, potatoes, salad and brownies
Anything your family enjoys!

TIPS:

- Check serving sizes and consider providing a well-rounded meal, typical of one you would serve at home.
- There is a large warming oven at the shelter where food can be stored until served, especially if you have multiple trays.
- Any "extra" food can be left at the shelter and they will use it.
- If providing a salad, Ranch dressing is very popular!
- The shelter provides all the plates, silverware, cups, and serving utensils.
- You are welcome to bring drinks (gallons of tea, lemonade, soda) or may just serve water from the kitchen. Ice is available on site.

For questions and to reserve a month on the calendar to serve, please reach out to our Local Missions Minister, Aaron Smith at aaron.smith@weddingtonchurch.org

"Our group provided the meal for the shelter last night and it was a blessing to all of us. William, the shelter kitchen employee, was very helpful and expertly guided us through every aspect of the meal service. He even washed the plates for us! The diners were appreciative of the meal and very courteous." - Wendy Hall

