



Our Mission: *To respectfully and compassionately empower persons and families who are in need of housing to become self-sustaining by providing shelter, needed services and professional guidance.*

Basic Shelter Program

The Shelter Program operates 365 days and nights, providing 24/7 safety and security to men, women, and children. In a single congregate facility, separate sleeping quarters are designated for men, women, and families equipped with pads and fresh linens. Guests have access to showers and laundry facilities, clothing and hygiene products, as well as three daily meals (including packed lunches) and bedtime snacks while accommodating specific dietary needs. In addition to overnight and day shelter, PADS provides comprehensive case management service to individuals and families.

Case managers work with each guest to create an action plan that addresses their individual needs. Case management services offered to guests include money management and financial literacy, life skills, counseling, housing referrals, mental health assessments, substance abuse support, advocacy, employment, and educational opportunities.

Shelter Diversion

This program works to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless. PADS of Elgin can support/fund up to \$2,000 in a 12-month period for either back rent, a security deposit, or funding toward a new lease if someone has been in the shelter for less than fourteen days. These funds are limited.

Project Recovery

We must address homelessness and addiction together. If a client needs addiction services and chooses to seek treatment while they are staying at PADS, Case Managers help facilitate the process of getting the client into a treatment program. After the client has completed their program successfully, PADS of Elgin will welcome them back into our shelter program. At that time, the client will work with a Case Manager to locate placement in a Sober Living Home (recovery housing residences that encompass sober living arrangements that promote long term recovery). PADS of Elgin will assist with the housing fees on a weekly basis for up to three months and provide monthly case management to the client while they are in Project Recovery.

Outreach Services

Any member of our community can come to the PADS of Elgin lobby seven days a week between 7:00 AM and 9:30 PM for a meal, clothing, hygiene products, water, or to get out of elements. There are no rules regarding community connection to access these services.

PADS of Elgin

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