

St. Bartholomew School Sheltering Operation

December 18, 2023

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New Arrival Shelters

By the numbers



604 buses that have arrived since August 2022503 since May 12, 2023

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Over **26,000** new arrivals since August 2022 •Chartered Buses • Flights • Independent Travel



30 shelters have been utilized within City network27 in current operation



13,992 current shelter residents (4,561 children)

• 241 awaiting shelter in Police Stations and Airports



CHICAGO Need for Increased Shelter Capacity

We are shifting our emergency response from using police district stations to shelter people to increasing shelter capacity and other initiatives for emergency housing.

This is a dynamic and ever evolving humanitarian crisis, with buses continuing to arrive to Chicago and increasing, the need for shelter remains urgent.



Resettlement & Outmigration

IDHS + IHDA



9,328 individuals resettled into an apartment unit since August 2022.



3,233 individuals reunited with a sponsor across the city, state of IL, and country.



90% decrease in people awaiting shelter at police stations and airports from last month

- On 11/18/23, 2,386 individuals
- On 12/18/23, 241 individuals



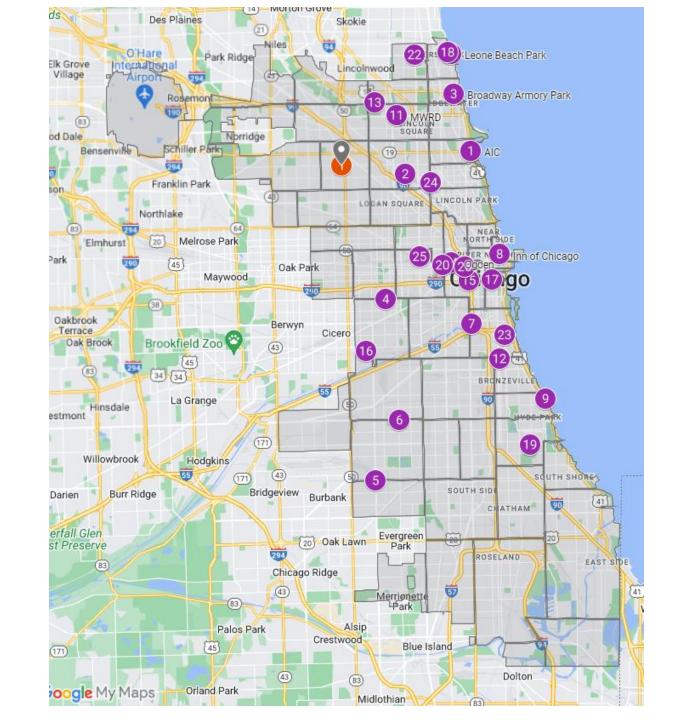
Map showing current New Arrival Shelters



Shelter Sites (27)



St. Bartholomew





Strategic Priorities



Our goal is to welcome new arrivals with dignity, help meet their basic needs, and connect them to resources that put them on a path to self- sufficiency and resettlement.



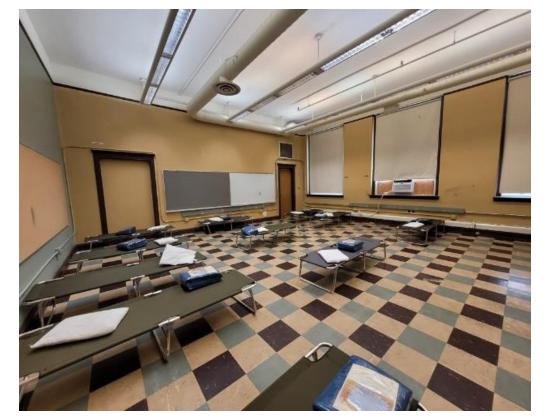
Projected move-in date: Early-January

- Address: 4910 W. Addison
- Population: Young families with children
- Capacity: 300-350 individuals
 - School: 200-250, Convent: 100



• 27 shelters are currently operating across the City.

- Upon arrival to shelter, a welcome orientation is conducted, and initial intake is completed.
- New Arrivals are provided with:
 - Cot + blanket + pillow
 - Three meals per day
 - Showers and towels
 - Hygiene kits: toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, soap, shampoo
 - Access to laundry room or service





Shelter



What rules and expectations are there for residents?

- No visitors or walk-ins
- Be a good neighbor
- Abide by 11pm curfew
- Entry and re-entry screening procedure
- No drugs and alcohol allowed
- Clients allowed to leave the building
- Residents may be discharged for violation of rules



Access to case management and support services:

- Outmigration Catholic Charities
- Resettlement Catholic Charities, IHDA, and New Life
- Legal MFS Legal Aid Society and partners
- Health Mental health screening and appointment for health screening in partnership with Cook County Health
- On-site health care from CDPH lead coordinating organizations Heartland Alliance Health, Lawndale Christian Health Center, Mobile Migrant Health Team and others
- CityKey Events City Clerk
- IDHS Victims of Trafficking, Torture, or Other Serious Crimes (VTTC) Benefits Enrollment
- Chicago Public Schools enrollment



What rules and expectations are there for residents?

- Residents will not be allowed to congregate at front of shelter, while most loitering is not a crime, residents will be encouraged to use designated areas.
- Residents will be informed of "Good Neighbor" policies in regard to the businesses in the community and households.
- Residents will only enter and exit from designated doors.



Community Safety

Security outside campus: CPD

- Special attention
- Frequent building checks on every watch
- Logbook and interactivity with onsite security



Together with onsite security resulting in 24/7 security.

Deputy Mayor of Community Safety and team are coordinating resources to support shelter and community safety.

Non-emergency contact available: newarrivalschicago@cityofchicago.org



Adopting a Holistic

Regional Coordination Approach

We coordinate regional calls with CPD commanders, council members, representatives from various city departments/agencies, and community organizations to discuss security challenges and identify solutions. Previously, topics discussed included sharing information about work authorization, access to resources, and rule enforcement.



Recruitment of Volunteer Support

Mayor's Office of Community Safety is partnering with the Mayor's Office of Immigrant, Migrant, and Refugee Rights to draft and launch a volunteer support program that will enhance capacity in shelters.

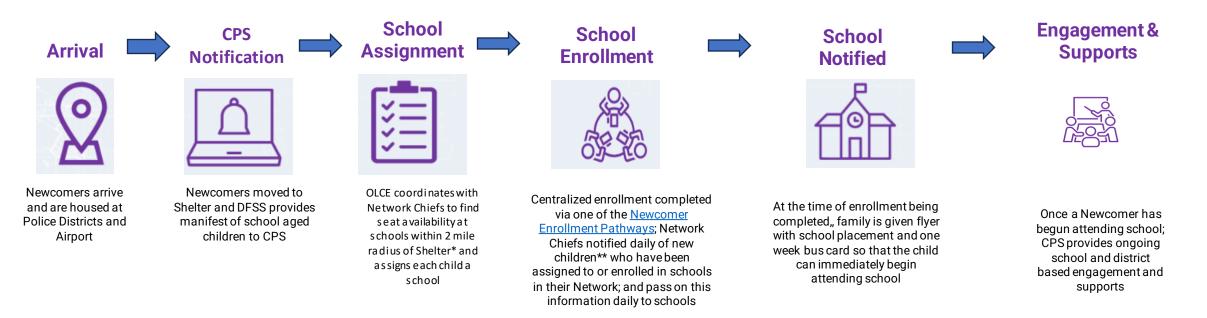
Best practices from shelters such as Brands Park demonstrate that strong mutual support and volunteer engagement reduce tensions.



- Coordinating regional meetings that include CPD District Commanders, alders' staff, City departments and agencies, and community to identify and agree on policy solutions related to safety
- Issues raised by community:
 - Loitering in large groups; cleanliness; concerns around community safety
- Community safety solutions:
 - Coordinating with the Site Captain, CPD, OEMC to keep the alder informed
 - Working with the CSCC to assess concerns around street organizations
 - CPD to enforce local laws



Newcomer Enrollment Process



These steps describe the centralized CPS enrollment process currently in place for Newcomer students. This process is subject to change at any time given the dynamic nature of the situation. **Please note- any Newcomer student has the right to walk** *into their Neighborhood school to enroll and in these cases, the school should enroll the child rather than follow this centralized process.*

*As schools reach capacity, as determined by OLCE and Network Chiefs, the radius is expanded and new schools with seat availability are added and the process repeats itself **Network Chiefs receive name, DOB, age, and grade level of students who have been assigned or enrolled at schools in their network



Newcomer Enrollment Pathways

	Neighborhood School Walk-In Enrollment	Mobile Enrollment Unit	Welcome Center (Clemente)
Who is eligible?	Any school age child in Chicago is eligible to enroll in their Neighborhood School at any time	Newcomers staying at Shelters or Police Departments	A subset of families staying at Shelters or Police Departments will receive an appointment and transportation to the Welcome Center
What school does the child enroll in?	Neighborhood school based on the child's home address	Best fit school* as identified by CPS Central Office staff	Best fit school* as identified by CPS Central Office staff
Who enrolls the child?	The school clerk	A cross-departmental Central Office Team and CTU volunteers	Welcome Center staff
Who provides students with STLS transportation cards?	School of enrollment	Shelter until school of enrollment is able to provide	Welcome Center until school of enrollment is able to provide
Who conducts the student's social-emotional, academic, and linguistic assessments?	School of enrollment	School of enrollment	Welcome Center

*Best fit school is the school which has the capacity to provide appropriate supports and instructional setting to the student and which the family can travel to daily.



How to Get Involved

Donate or Volunteer

- With mutual aid groups helping with the migrant mission
- Amazon Wish List: chicago.gov/support
- Winter items (new preferred) dropped off at **4401 W. Ogden** (Mon-Friday, 8AM-5PM)
- Winter items (new and gently used) dropped off at one of Cradles 2 Crayons several locations
- Volunteers at <u>New Life Centers Warehouse</u>

Recommend Sites for Shelters or Apartments

Suggest potential shelters or rental units

https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/sites/texas-new-arrivals/home/shelter.html

• **Advocate** for State and Federal Action



City of Chicago/Archdiocese of Chicago Background



Over the past 18 months, the Archdiocese of Chicago has conducted tours for city, county and state representatives of several archdiocesan properties that could be used as temporary housing for asylum seekers.

The city has selected the St. Bartholomew convent and the unused school building on Addison Street as two properties it will temporarily lease for to temporarily house migrant families.

The Archdiocese of Chicago supports this endeavor to save lives and to ease suffering of the refugee families who are facing the harshness of a Chicago winter, and we thank Fr. Michael O'Connell and his parishioners for their generosity of heart and sense of accompaniment.

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Outreach to Migrants



Our Lady of the Rosary Parish began hosting migrants from nearby Wright Community College in June.

These migrants, many of whom are Venezuelan, regularly attend mass at St. Pascal and come to the parish for meals and other accompaniment.

Since the summer, the Parish has been collecting and distributing clothes, shoes, and toys to migrant families.

The Parish is anxious to continue to support the new temporary residents of the St. Bartholomew buildings similarly, providing a unique dynamic to the St. Bartholomew site vs. other shelter locations.



Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Outreach to Migrants

On Thanksgiving, Our Lady of the Rosary hosted a Thanksgiving dinner for migrants.











The City wants to hear from you Questions and Comments



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