

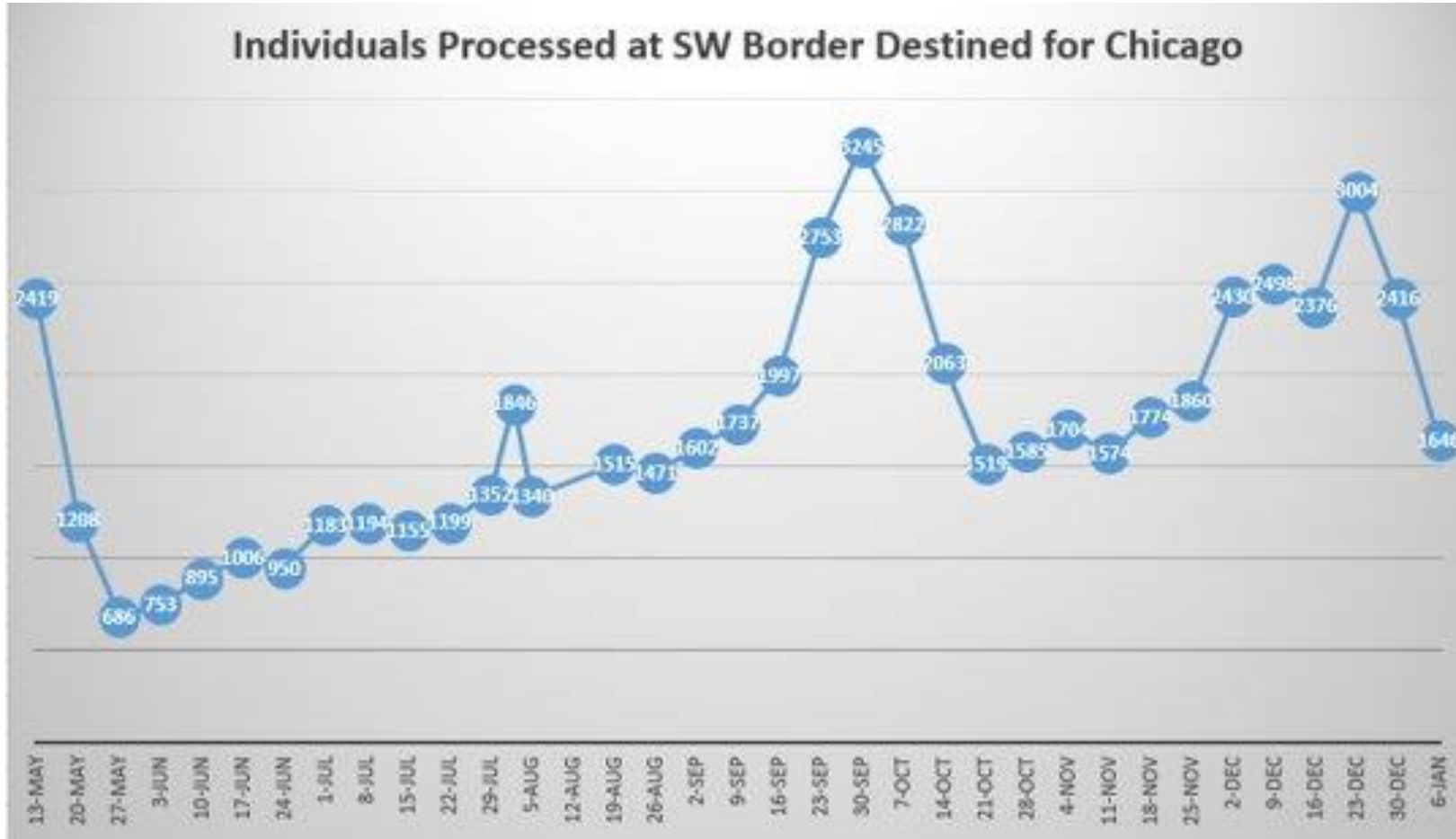


The Welcoming City



New Arrivals Briefing

January 17, 2024



An estimated 30,000+ asylum seekers have arrived in Chicago since Aug 31st, 2022

As of January 16, the City has **14,967** clients in 28 shelters.

3-1-1 data: Since 09/25/22, **7,055** New Arrivals have been placed in shelters through 311.

New Arrivals Shelter Census

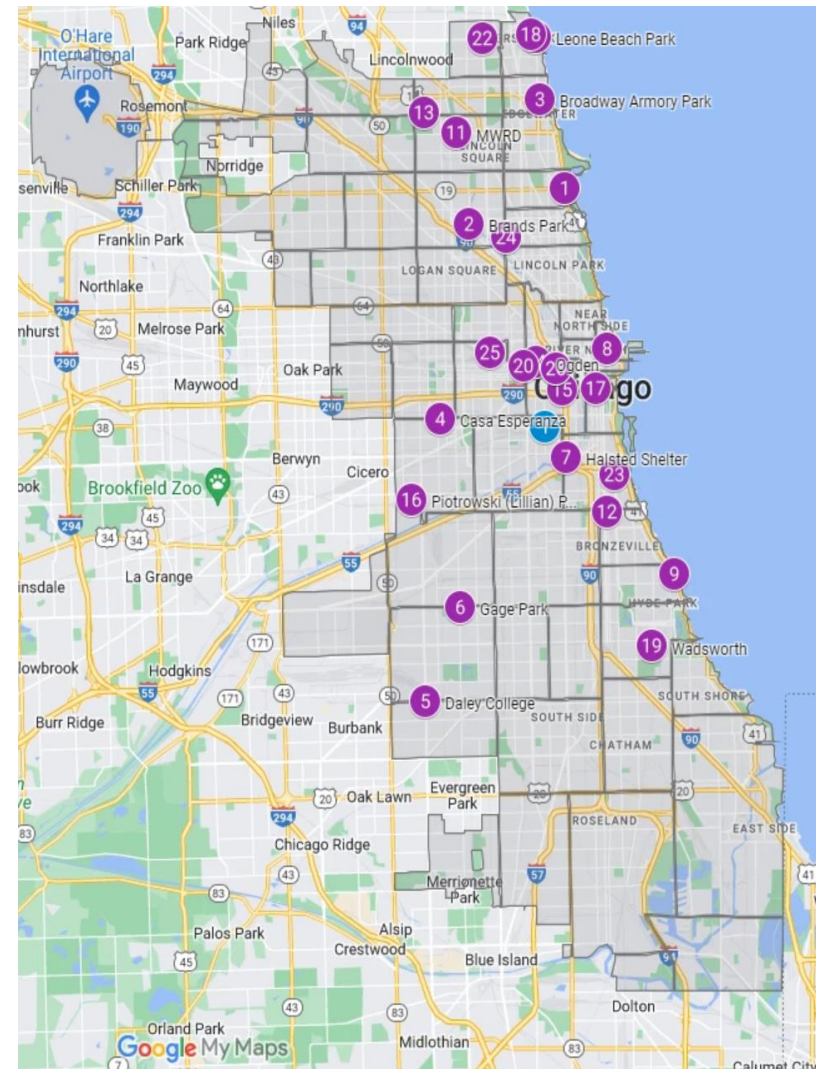
There are **14,667** shelter residents in **28** active shelters, across **21** Wards. As of *1/16/2024*

NOTE: The census numbers are updated daily and can fluctuate due to resettlement, finding housing independently, onward movement, rogue bus drop-offs, among other factors. Additionally, the bus numbers are fluid and can change.

New Arrivals Waiting for Shelter: 215+ (this number is fluid and will change throughout the day)

- 202 at ORD
- 0 at MDW
- 13 at Landing Zone/HWL
- 0 buses expected today

Total New Arrivals in Our Care: ~15,000+



New Arrivals Shelter Map



Placed in shelter this week

1,105



Single Beds Needed

216



people exiting the city's system in the last 7 days

808



Family Beds Needed

0

- All districts remain empty since December 15, 2023.
- People continue report to CPD stations looking for assistance after being dropped by rogue buses.
- Districts that report New Arrivals are taken to the Landing Zone if space is not available at a shelter.

- **State**

- State is announced funding for Illinois Welcoming Centers and a new RFP for municipalities (other than Chicago) to support new arrivals.
 - Funding cannot be used for transporting people to Chicago.
- Weatherized tents at the LZ to have final walk through this week.
- CVS Location up and running in the 22nd ward.
- IEMA has provided supplies and two staff to support at the landing zone.

- **County**

- Will do repairs and install showers at St. Bart's
- Convened meeting with OEMC, FEMA Region 5, and IEMA regularly
- Cook County EMRS can redeploy our assigned staff members from Chicago EOC to landing zone
- 2 staffers committed for planning cell

- **Federal**

- FEMA Region 5 starting a planning cell in EOC consisting of all levels of government (OEMC, EMRS, IEMA, FEMA)--Starts Tomorrow, 1/17/24
- 2 staffers committed for planning cell
- Assisting OEMC with supply chain requests to support at shelters

- The National Weather Service (NWS) issued a Wind Chill Warning until noon on Tuesday, January 16 and a wind chill advisory until Wednesday, January 17 at 9 a.m. bringing extreme cold and wind chills as low as -25° to -40° below zero.
- The Harold Washington Library at 400 S. State St opened the lower level as a 24/7 warming center for anyone in need through Wednesday, January 17. Migrants awaiting shelter at the landing zone will be transported to this site.
- The Department of Family and Support Services (DFSS) will activate warming areas at the City's six community service centers when temps are at 32 degrees or below. The warming areas are open Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 - For those needing shelter placement, the Garfield Community Service Center at 10 South Kedzie is open 24-7 to connect families and residents to emergency shelter. The public may use the Garfield location for time-limited warming during non-business hours. Additional facilities are also available as needed. This includes participating Chicago Public Library locations and Chicago Park District facilities during business hours.

- While most DFSS-funded shelters operate 24/7, DFSS activated remaining 6 overnight shelters for youth and adults to operate 24/7 from Saturday evening 1/13 through Wednesday morning 1/17 for warming for those shelter residents.
- DFSS expanded outreach teams to encourage unhoused residents to seek shelter or warming options and conduct well-being checks.

Agency	Operating Hours	Population
Inspiration Corporation (4554 N Broadway #207, Chicago, IL 60640)	Monday, 1/15 - Opening at 7am for breakfast – 9:30am Tuesday, 1/16 - Opening at 6am for breakfast – 12pm or later	All
La Casa Norte at (1736 W 47th St, Chicago, IL 60609)	24/7 Services for youth	Youth
Lincoln Park Community Services (1521 N Sedwick St)	24/7 drop-in Services between Sunday 1/14 - Tuesday 1/16	All
Matthew House (3722 S Indiana)	Saturday, 1/13 - 6:30 am to 2:00 pm Sunday, 1/14 - 6am – 5:30pm Monday, 1/15 - 6am – 6pm Tuesday, 1/16 - 6am – 6pm Wednesday, 1/17 - 6am - 6pm	All
Broadway Youth Center (1023 W. Irving Park Road)	Will not be open on Sunday or Monday, will have extended evening hours Tuesday, 1/16, 9am - 7pm	Youth

Management (OEMC)

- Arranges CTA warming buses
- Communicates with Metra and other municipalities
- Overall operations and logistics

Medical (CDPH)

- Coordinating medical providers' mobile units to support with medical intakes
- Medical triage- 3 layers of care
 - Personnel from CDPH-funded healthcare partners
 - Partners providers follow-up care
 - Federally Qualified Health Center partners

External Partners

- New Life Centers
 - Welcoming, Donations, Snacks/water, Outward Migration, Local relocation
- Catholic Charities
 - Outward migration
- Chi-care
 - Meals (x2 per day)

Other Resources

- Chicago Park District and OEMC coordinating showers at nearest Chicago Park District facility
- Ongoing conversations with ShowerUp regarding logistics given the below freezing temperatures



Weather Extensions:

- **710 extensions** given to residents with planned exit dates of 1/16-1/21
- New exit date is **January 22nd**

- **8,045 notices distributed to date**

• **2022 Arrivals**

- There are **13** people in this group who will need to exit on 1/22/2024.
- This group is 100% connected with Catholic Charities.

• **1/1 - 7/31/23 Arrivals**

- 688 households represent **929 individuals**. Down from 1,138 individuals last week on 1/7/2024 (209 exits).
- This group is 100% connected to Catholic Charities.
- Exit date starting on 2/2/24.

• **11/17/23 (On/After) Arrivals**

- 3,680 households represent **7,103 individuals**. Up by 515 individuals from last week on 1/7/2024.
- This group is ineligible for rental assistance.

• **8/1 - 11/16/23 Arrivals**

- There are **6,393 individuals** in this group who will be given 60-day limited stay notices on 2/1/2024. Down from 6,687 last week on 1/7/2024 (294 exits).

• **ICIRR CBOs**

- All sites have been assigned an ICIRR CBO, though a few have not started yet. ICIRR is establishing their schedules and should begin providing services onsite this month.

• **Resettlement**

- Rental assistance is now available at 24 out of the 26 shelters listed.
- Elston and HWL opened after November 17th, so they do not need Catholic Charities onsite.

Meals program transition update:

- The two awarded delegates for the Meal Program RFP are:
 - North Region: **Seventy-Seven Communities, LLC**
 - Region assignments total to 15 sites, including O'Hare Respite
 - South Region: **14 Parish, LLC**
 - Assignment total to 14 sites, including the Landing Zone
- Deliveries of food, equipment, supply goods was completed
- First day of delivery service was today: **Tuesday, January 16th**
 - Breakfast made it at all the sites
 - Hot lunches and dinner to be delivered today
- DFSS to work closely with new delegates to receive and implement resident feedback

Medical Providers

- CDPH launched a provider informational survey on January 3 to discuss the health needs of the new arrival population and the potential for involvement. Interested providers should fill out the following survey and unaffiliated individuals who would like to volunteer are encouraged to apply to the Medical Reserve Corps.
 - **Volunteer Medical Organization**
survey: <https://redcap.dph.illinois.gov/surveys/?s=CPNKWRRRLHEX8XLLR>
- **Medical Reserve Corps (MRC)** – Unaffiliated individuals should **NOT** fill out the survey but are encouraged to apply to the MRC.
 - Information on the MRC can be found [here](#); those interested in applying to the MRC can start through the [Illinois Helps Volunteer Page](#).



AmeriCorps recently awarded the City of Chicago (8) VISTA positions to support the New Arrivals mission.

(3) VISTA members housed at the Mayor's Office and collaborate with volunteer-based organizations to promote volunteerism.

(4) VISTA members will support DFSS New Arrivals Sheltering Team

(1) VISTA member who is designated as VISTA Leader.



[**APPLY**](#)

Volunteer Opportunities:

Click [here](#) to join TRP every **Monday at 2:00 p.m. CST** to learn more about volunteering at upcoming workshops: <https://bit.ly/3SgG3q1>

Click [here](#) to sign up for a shift at an upcoming workshop: <https://bit.ly/424HHP0>



CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS!

Assist recent immigrant arrivals
apply for work permits

WHERE: Downtown Chicago
WHEN: Every Tuesday - Friday
8:30 am - 5:00 pm (shifts available)

For more info and to sign up to volunteer, visit:
welcometoil.org/tps-ead-volunteers

- **Donate or Volunteer**

- With mutual aid groups helping with the migrant mission
- Amazon Wish List: [chicago.gov/support](https://www.chicago.gov/support)
- Winter items (new and gently used) dropped off at one of Cradles 2 Crayons several locations
- Volunteers at [New Life Centers Warehouse](#)

- **Recommend Apartments Units**

Suggest rental units

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

- **Advocate** for State and Federal Action

