

There is an alternative ...

Volunteer this winter with the CCHP!

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Homelessness in Cambridge is rising year on year and continues to stretch the resources of the organisations in the city set up to help. Estimates last winter found twice as many people sleeping rough in the town centre as the previous year, and many more are “hidden” homeless sheltering in cars or squats, or dividing time between the streets and a friend’s floor. With the colder weather the situation becomes increasingly desperate as people struggle to find shelter and keep safe, dry and warm.

The Cambridge Churches Homeless Project works together with the City Council, Jimmy’s and other service providers and runs from **December to March** in eight churches and one synagogue, one venue for each night of the week. We take turns to provide a friendly welcome, hot supper, and safe space to sleep to up to 15 homeless guests. Volunteers act as hosts each night, and the scheme is joined up by a core team of support workers who offer pastoral care and links to further help.

To find out more, you are warmly invited to supper on one of three evenings:

Wednesday 8th November 7pm @ St Paul’s Church, Hills Road * * **Thursday 9th November** 7pm @ Great St Mary’s Church * * **Tuesday 14th November** 7pm @ Little St Mary’s Church, Trumpington Street

You don’t need a career in social work, or even in hospitality, to be a huge help in this immensely rewarding work. All you need is a friendly interest, a little time this winter, and a willingness to give and be blessed!

RSVP to info@cchp.org.uk ... and thank you!