

## Sheltering Workshop

The Winter Faith Collaborative is an interfaith movement formed to serve, shelter, and advocate for the houseless community in Santa Clara County. It began in 2015 when a group of churches decided to open their doors to homeless guests during the winter months. In our first two seasons we served over 700 individuals.

Consider these sobering facts:

- There are over 7300 unhoused in Santa Clara County.
- We sorely lack enough shelter beds. Space for families and women and children are especially needed.
- The coroner's report shows a 55% increase in deaths of the unhoused in 2016, with most of these due to exposure.

**We help communities work together in coordinating:**

***~overnight shelters    ~meals    ~monetary & in-kind donations  
~daytime warming shelters    ~safe car parks    ~volunteers***

Please join us at this sheltering 2 ½ hour workshop to see how you and your community can make a difference in people's lives. It will include information on each of the various means of participating and what resources are available to help interested sites plan and operate a successful shelter, safe parking site or daytime warming center. Previous shelter directors, volunteers, and guests will share their experiences and be available to answer any questions. Your organization can learn about and explore the various models and choose which type(s) of service is most fitting. Thank you for your willingness to see how you can become involved in this life-changing and life-saving effort.

**Most Holy Trinity Church  
2040 Nassau Dr. San Jose 95122  
Thursday December 7<sup>th</sup> at 630pm**



For updates & more information: <https://faithcollaborative.wordpress.com/>