



The Unofficial
Ft Lauderdale
Guidebook for
the Needy & Homeless

Welcome.

Fort Lauderdale is a City with a variety of gov't services, charities, church groups, and independent volunteers that offer aid to homeless and impoverished people. This is particularly true in downtown Fort Lauderdale which has the largest population of chronically homeless people in Broward County.

The 1st thing to know about homeless services in the area is that most shelters and other facilities are filled to capacity year round. Many needy people congregate in a few particular places downtown in part because its where regular and irregular aid & charity relief groups can connect with the needy.

Included in this book:

- +A brief introduction to homeless policing**
- +Free meal locations in Ft Lauderdale**
- +A list of pantries, shelters, rehabs, & support groups**
- +BSO's 2015 "Homeless Resource Guide"**
- +A short introduction to homeless policymakers for Ft Lauderdale**

This book is not directly associated with any government or non-profit entities. It is an attempt by volunteers in downtown Ft Lauderdale to better educate people about the range of services for the needy that are available.

If you have updates or corrections for information relevant to this guidebook, please contact the editor, Nathan, at swampzine at gmail dot com.

We will do our best to include it in the next edition.

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Homelessness & The Police

Homeless people are widely trespassed and sometimes arrested for minor offences in an effort to keep them away from valuable property in downtown Fort Lauderdale.

If you are arrested in downtown by the FLPD, you will generally be processed at the FLPD station and then held at the Jail/Courthouse complex until you make bail or see a magistrate. You may also be transferred to another BSO facility, all of which are in Pompano Beach.

There are a number of laws that pertain to the daily activities of homeless people, particularly in downtown Ft Lauderdale.

Trespassing affidavits are liberally used by public & private buildings downtown to keep homeless people away. **Trespassing** is perhaps one of the most common arrestable offences applied to homeless people downtown.

Panhandling, public urination, & camping/sleeping outdoors are arrestable misdemeanors. There is also a law allowing police to confiscate and store property left in public spaces for storage.

There is also a law that criminalizes **food sharing** downtown. Its legality is being challenged in the court system and sharings currently continue.

For up-to-date information on recently implemented anti-homeless laws, see www.homelesshatelaws.blogspot.com

Municipal bond courts currently do not provide attorneys for homeless people who are arrested for minor offences in Ft Lauderdale. The public defender's office is working for changes in the court system but currently is unable to represent municipal code offenders in most cases.

Free Food in Fort Lauderdale

Monday:

LifeNet4Families 8:30 am
1 NW 33 Terrace

Peanut Butter & Jelly Project 5:30 pm
Stranahan Park, 10 E Broward Blvd

St Christopher's Episcopal Church 6 pm
318 NW 6 Ave

Tuesday:

LifeNet4Families 8:30 am
1 NW 33 Terrace

Salvation Army 4:30 pm
1901 W Broward Blvd

Peanut Butter & Jelly Project 5:30 pm
Stranahan Park, 10 E Broward Blvd

1st Lutheran Evangelical Church, 6:30 pm
441 NE 3rd Ave

Love Bags 8:30 pm
Parker Playhouse/Holiday Park, 707 NE 8 St

Wednesday:

LifeNet4Families 8:30 am
1 NW 33 Terrace

Salvation Army 4:30 pm
1901 W Broward Blvd

Peanut Butter & Jelly Project 5:30 pm
Stranahan Park, 10 E Broward Blvd

Love Thy Neighbor 5:30 pm
800 Seabreeze Blvd, Ft Lauderdale Beach Park

Thursday:

LifeNet4Families 8:30 am
1 NW 33 Terrace

1st Congregational Church 11 am
2501 NE 30 St

Peanut Butter & Jelly Project 5:30 pm
Stranahan Park, 10 E Broward Blvd

New Life United Methodist Church 5:45 pm
1100 N Andrews Ave

Love in Action Meatloaf Dinner 6:00 pm
1100 N Andrews Ave

Friday:

LifeNet4Families
8:30 am
1 NW 33 Terrace

Food Not Bombs 5 pm
Stranahan Park,
10 E Broward Blvd

Salvation Army
4:30 pm
1901 W Broward Blvd

Saturday:

Project Downtown 1 pm
Stranahan Park,
10 E Broward Blvd

Salvation Army
4:30 pm
1901 W Broward Blvd

Sunday:

LifeNet4Families 11:00 am
1 NW 33 Terrace

Love Thy Neighbor 1 pm
211 NW 5th Ave

Dining with Jesus 1 pm
318 NW 6 Ave

Salvation Army 4:30 pm
1901 W Broward Blvd

REMAR USA 5:30 pm
211 NW 5th Ave

*There are a number of other missions, churches, and individuals who deliver food to the sidewalk next to Stranahan Park on a regular basis not listed here. There is also a bus service that runs from Stranahan Park to some of the church sharings on this list that are affiliated with Broward County.

Pantries & More

AHM Church of God Noon daily noon
744 NW 12th Ave

Mission for Gods Disciples T&Th 8am-4pm
641 SW 30th Ave

Arthur Hall Memorial Church of God T 8 am
744 NW 12th Ave

7th Day Adventist Church T 1 pm
850 W Davie Blvd

Food Pantry of Broward Call 954-358-1481
5457 NW 10th Ter

Soref Jewish Center Call 954-792-6700
6501 W Sunrise Blvd

St George Catholic Church Call 954-583-5892
3640 NW 8th St

Living Water Center M-F 10 am
1501 Riverland Road

Faith Center Outreach Sa 8:30 am
4085 NW 16th St

Mobile Pantry Call 954-518-1855

2nd Chance Society Call 954-763-5999
(help w/ paperwork, work supplies, etc)

Bulk Low Cost Produce 954-895-7879

Treatment & Halfway Houses

Remar USA - Long-term
Christian Rehab for Men
Call 954-850-2247

Halfway House for
Women Call 954-805-
5013

Hollywood Recovery
House (for Men)
Call 954-394 6309 or
954-549-4062

JC Recovery House For
Men Call 954-589-2001
or 954-380-1492
Women: 954-248-6026

2nd Chance Women's
Rehab Call 954-816-4909

Serenity Gardens Sober
Living for Women
Call 956-649-9199

Starting Over Rehab Call
954-588-8398

12 Step Fellowship for
Men Call 954-249-5589

Sexual Abuse Treatment
Center Call 954-357-5775

Cotterimen Mental
Health Center
Call 954-761-7273

Fern House for Men
(Palm Beach)
Call 561-471-0430

Housing for Sex
Offenders
Call 407-925-4471
2420 SW 44th Ter

Women w/ Children or Pregnant:

Family Success Center
954-357-5000 or
954-357-5340

His Caring Place
(Deerfield Beach)
Call 954-429-9222

Genesis House
(Lake Worth)
Call 321-723-3193

Agape Home
(Moore Haven)
Call 863-946-2228

Potters House
(Lake Placid)
Call 863-699-1685

Addiction Support

AA Meetings

AA Speaker Group F 7 pm
City Hall, 100 N Andrews Ave

AA Discussion Group
M-Sa 8:30 am
1st Luthern Church,
441 NE 3rd Ave

Discussion Group M-F noon
St Anthony's 901 NE 2nd St

AA Group M-F 8 am
All Saints Episcopal Church
331 Tarpon Dr

Serenity @ 630 M-F 6:30 am
St Francis Group M-Sa 5:30 pm
208 SE 8th St

NA Meetings

Breakfast Club M-F 7:30 am
401 NW 9th Ave

Monday Night Live M 7pm
Sunshine Cathedral,
1480 SW 9th Ave

Steps to Serenity T, TH 7:30 pm
Foundations 999 Prospect Rd

Saturday Variety Meeting 6 pm
Colours (LBGTQ) 8 pm
12 Step House, 205 SW 23rd St

Sunday Solutions, Sun 4 pm
12 Step House, 205 SW 23rd St

Recover & Live Sun 7 pm
Lambda Club,
1231A E Las Olas Blvd

Las Olas Sunday Night Sun 8 pm
Colee Hammock Park,
1500 Brickell Dr

This is just a small sampling of support groups in the downtown area. For complete listings for the greater Ft Lauderdale area, see aa.broward.org, or call 954-462-0265 or 954-462-7202, and goldcoastna.org, or call 888-524-1777

2015 BSO Homeless Resource Guide

COORDINATED ENTRY AND HOUSING

If you are homeless call Broward County's Homeless Coordinated Entry and Assessment Screening, Information and Referral hotline operated by 2-1-1 Broward by dialing **211 or 954.563.HELP (4357)**.

EMERGENCY HOUSING

All homeless housing interventions, with the exception of Covenant House, Women In Distress, Lippman Center and Henderson Village are accessed through Broward County's Homeless Coordinated Entry and Assessment Screening, Information and Referral hotline operated by 2-1-1 Broward. Please call:

• **Coordinated Entry and Assessment Screening, Information, and Referral (CEASIR) hotline operated by 2-1-1 Broward - 954.563.4357 or 211**

Centralized intake to check on all available emergency housing beds in Broward County. Toll free for homeless persons **1.888.537.0211**

The following housings do not require entry from the Homeless Helpline.

• **Covenant House 954.561.5559**
733 Breakers Avenue, Fort Lauderdale. Emergency/ temporary housing and crisis intervention for youth under 21 and youth with babies. 24-hour intake.

• **Women In Distress 954.761.1133**
Emergency/Temporary housing and crisis intervention to victims of domestic violence. 24-hour crisis line intake.

• **The Lippman Family Center 954.568.2801**
221 NW 43rd Court, Oakland Park. Short term crisis and runaway housing for abused, troubled and homeless adolescents (12-17 years). 24-hour intake.

For your convenience here is a listing of all the homeless emergency shelters in Broward County; however, all are accessed through Broward County's Homeless Coordinated Entry and Assessment Screening, Information and Referral hotline operated by 2-1-1 Broward.

• **South Homeless Assistance Center (SHAC) owned and operated by Broward Outreach Center 954.926.7417**
Emergency housing and a comprehensive recovery program, for men, women and families. Admission through the Homeless Helpline.

• **North Homeless Assistance Center (NHAC) operated by Broward Outreach Center 954.935.3000**
Emergency housing and a comprehensive recovery program, for men, women and families. Admission through the Homeless Helpline.

• **Central Homeless Assistance Center (CHAC) operated by Broward Partnership for the Homeless, Inc. 954.779.3990**
Emergency Housing with comprehensive rehabilitative services for men, women and families. Admission through the Homeless Helpline.

• **Hope South Florida Call 2-1-1**
Emergency and rapid-rehousing for homeless families and Veterans referred through the Homeless Helpline.

• **Salvation Army 954.524.6991**
1445 W. Broward Blvd., Fort Lauderdale.

DAYTIME SHELTERS

• **St. Laurence Chapel 954.972.2958**
1698 Blount Road, Pompano Beach, Mon.-Fri. 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Receive mail, legal address, transportation, showers, clothing and chapel services.

• **Silver Impact 954.572.0444**
7155 W Oakland Park Blvd, Lauderhill

• **Rebel Drop-in Center 954.965.6452, ext. 205**
3400 North 29 Avenue, Hollywood. The center is open 365 days, Monday through Friday, from 3 to 8pm, weekends and holidays from noon to 5pm.

TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

All transitional housing require a referral from a homeless provider.

• **Susan B. Anthony 954.733.6068**
Provides transitional housing and support services for women in recovery and their children for up to 9 years old.

• **Covenant House 954.561.5559**
Transitional housing and support services for youth under 21, both individuals and families (adolescent parent[s] with child(ren)).

• **Salvation Army 954.524.6991**
Transitional housings for families and single individuals.

• **Salvation Army Adult Rehabilitation Center 954.463.3725**
(No referral necessary, walk-ins accepted) 1901 West Broward Blvd. Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312. Residential facility for males ages 21-65 offering a spiritual based 12-step work therapy program. • Intake: Mon.-Fri. from 7:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

• **Hope4Vets, Hope South Florida 954.566.2311**

• **Keystone Halls 954.763.2300**

• **Henderson Transitional Housing ... 954.735.4331 x124 or 126**

WHERE TO GO FOR FOOD OR MEALS

• **All Saints Catholic Mission/All Saints Soup Kitchen. 954.396.3086**
3350 Powerline Rd, Oakland Park. Daily 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

• **LifeNet4Families/Cooperative Feeding Program. 954.792.2328**
1 NW 33rd Terrace, Fort Lauderdale, Mon.-Sun. 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

• **Jubilee Center of South Broward, Inc. 954.920.0106**
2020 Scott Street, Hollywood, Mon.-Fri. 11 a.m.-noon

• **St. Laurence Chapel 954.972.2958**
1698 Blount Rd Pompano Beach. Breakfast: 8:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m., Lunch: 12:30 p.m.-1:00 p.m.

• **Our Fathers House Soup Kitchen 954.968.7550**
2380 Martin Luther King Blvd., Pompano Beach, Mon.-Fri. only. Lunch: 11:30 a.m.-12:55p.m. They give bag dinners and have a food pantry.

• **TasteHOP-Love in Action 1100 North Andrews Ave., Fort Lauderdale, Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. (meatloaf dinner)**

• **Ruth's Ministries At First Congregational Church, UCC 954.563.4271**

2501 NE 30th Street, Fort Lauderdale, Lunch-Thursdays 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

• **The Salvation Army 1445 W Broward Blvd., Ft. Lauderdale Friday through Wednesday, 4:30 pm to 5:15 pm**

WHERE TO GO FOR HEALTH CARE



- **Broward Health Care-Healthcare for the Homeless Center** **954.527.6041**
1101 West Broward Blvd., Fort Lauderdale, Toll Free **1.866.662.5565**.
Mondays 8:00 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Tuesdays - Thursday 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Fridays 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
- **Cora E. Brayon Family Center** **954.759.6600**
200 NW 7th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale. Hours vary, call for an appointment. Urgent care available.
- **Annie L. Weaver Health Center** **954.786.5901**
2011 NW 3rd Avenue, Pompano Beach, Hours vary, call for appointment.
- **Pompano Pediatric Primary Care Center** **954.786.5413**
601 West Atlantic Blvd., 2nd floor, Pompano Beach, Mon.-Fri. 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
- **Luz del Mundo/Light of the World** **954.563.9876**
806 East Prospect Road, Oakland Park
- **Broward County Health Dept.** **954.467.4700**
780 SW 24th Street, Fort Lauderdale
Dental Treatment..... **954.467.4820**
Immunizations..... **954.467.4700 x5710**
TB Clinic..... **954.467.4700 x5746**
WIC (Women/infant/children) **954.767.5110**
- **Broward Addiction Recovery Centers**..... **954.357.4879**
1000 SW 2nd Street, Fort Lauderdale
- **Veterans Outpatient Clinic**..... **954.475.5500**
9800 W Commercial Blvd., Sunrise
- **South Broward Community Health Services**..... **954.985.1551**
4105 Pembroke Road, Hollywood, Florida 33021
Hours:
Adult Clinic - Mon.- Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
OB/GYN Clinic - Mon. 8 a.m.-8 p.m. • Tue.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Pharmacy - Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-8 p.m. • Saturday 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

HOSPITAL EMERGENCY FACILITIES

- **Broward Health Medical Center** **954.355.4400**
1600 South Andrews Ave., Fort Lauderdale
- **Broward Health Imperial Point** **954.776.8610**
6401 N. Federal Highway, Fort Lauderdale
- **Broward Health Coral Springs** **954.344.3100**
3000 Coral Hills Drive, Coral Springs
- **Broward Health North** **954.786.6800**
201 E. Sample Road, Pompano Beach
- **Memorial Regional Hospital** **954.987.2000**
3501 Johnson Street, Hollywood
- **Holy Cross Hospital** **954.771.8000**
4725 North Federal Highway, Fort Lauderdale
- **Northwest Medical Center**..... **954.974.0400**
2801 North State Road 7, Margate
- **University Hospital** **954.722.9933**
7201 North University Drive, Tamarac

MENTAL HEALTH

- **Mental Health Association** **954.746.2055**
7145 W. Oakland Park Blvd, Lauderhill, Information referral
- **Archways**..... **954.763.2030**
919 NE 13th Street, Fort Lauderdale
- **Henderson Crisis** **954.463.0911**
4720 N State Road 7, Headway Complex, Building B, Lauderdale Lakes. Open seven day from 8:00 a.m. to midnight.
- **Henderson Behavioral Health** **954.677.3113**
2900 West Prospect Road, Fort Lauderdale

WHERE TO GO FOR CLOTHING

- **St. Laurence Chapel**..... **954.972.2958**
1698 Blount Road Pompano Beach, Mon.-Fri. 9am -11am
- **Jubilee Center** **954.920.0106**
2020 Scott Street, Mon.-Fri. 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

WHERE TO GO FOR JOBS

- **Career Source Broward - Skills assessment and job placement**
2610 W. Oakland Park Blvd, Oakland Park
954.677.5701
2301 West Sample Rd. Bldg. 4, 7-A Pompano Beach
954.969.3541
7550 Davie Rd. Extension, Hollywood... **954.967.1039**
- **Volunteers of America of Florida** **954.676.5009**
1001 NW 6th Ave. Pompano Beach, 33060

WHERE TO GO FOR EDUCATION

- **ABE/GED** **754.321.8400 or 754.321.7600**
Employment Education Classes, Vocational Adult and Community Education Dept.
- **Homeless Education Program**..... **754.321.1566**
Provides educational support services for all homeless students, PreK-12 grade.
- **School Social Work and Attendance Dept.**..... **754.321.2490**
South Central Area..... **754.321.3870**
North Central Area..... **754.321.3040**
North Area **754.321.3470**
South Area **754.321.3614**
- **Enrollment and Boundary**..... **754.321.2480**
- **Pupil Placement** **754.321.3035**

SUPPORT SERVICES

- **Broward County Transit Bus Service** **954.357.8400**
For information regarding bus service in Broward County.
- **Receiving Mail - LifeNet4Families**
Life Net 4 Families **954.792.2328**
1 NW 33rd Terrace, Fort Lauderdale.
Jubilee Center of South Broward..... **954.920.0106**
2020 Scott Street, Hollywood.
St. Laurence Chapel **954.972.2958**
1698 Blount Road, Pompano Beach.
- **General Delivery - US Postal Service**
Main Post Office **800.275.8777**

OTHER HELPFUL AGENCIES

- **2-1-1- Broward** **211 or 954.537.0211**
24-hour crisis/suicide intervention, empathetic listening, and information and referral Helpline Service.
- **Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF) Automated Community Connection to Economic Self Sufficiency (ACCESS).**
Provides Food Assistance (aka Food Stamps), Medicaid and cash assistance.
311 North State Road 7, Plantation **954.327.5000**
7261 Sheridan Street, Hollywood **954.967.1333**
1400 W. Commercial Blvd. Ft. Laud. **954.267.2000**
- **Children's Diagnostic Treatment Center (for HIV+ women and children only)** **954.728.8080**
1401 South Federal Highway, Ft. Lauderdale. Medical care, case managers, support groups and education
- **Legal Aid Services of Broward County** **954.736.2400**
491 North State Road 7, Plantation
- **Coalition to End Homelessness** **954.792.4000**
924 NW 1st Street Bay 1, Ft. Lauderdale
- **Gateway Community Outreach** **954.725.8434**
They assist with rent, water, and food pantries.
- **Broward County Social Services - Family Success Centers**
Administrative **954.357.6367**
South Broward County **954.357.5650**
Central Broward County **954.357.5001**
North Broward County **954.357.5340**
Coral Springs North West **954.357.5000**
Davie **954.797.2054**
- **Veterans Outpatient Clinic** **954.475.5500**
9800 W Commercial Blvd., Sunrise. Toll free **1.888.497.4647**
- **Fort Lauderdale Vet Center** **954.356.7926**
713 NE 3rd Avenue, Fort Lauderdale
- **Elderly and Veterans Services Division** **954.357.6622**
2995 N. Dixie Highway, Fort Lauderdale
- **Epilepsy Foundation Services of Broward** **954.779.1509**
Case management/social and medical services for homeless persons with epilepsy or seizure disorders.
- **Volunteers of America** **954.735.5068**
2713 N Andrews Ave., Wilton Manors. Subsidized housing and support services to adults, families and veterans with severe/persistent mental illness and substance abuse.
- **Broward County Community Action Agency** **954.357.5025**
900 NW 31st Ave., Suite 3100 Mon.-Fri. 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

OBTAINING IDENTIFICATION

Birth Certificate – LifeNet 4 Families

An original birth certificate can be obtained by written request to the Bureau of Vital Statistics in the county where you were born. There is usually a fee for this service. To find the address and phone number of the Bureau of Vital Statistics for the county of your birth, look in the local library for the directory of the city in which you were born. You can also phone information for the telephone number. **Dial 1** (Area code of the birth county) **555.1212** and ask for the Bureau of Vital Statistics. This is usually a free call.

Social Security Card

For information on obtaining your Social Security Card, you may phone or go in person to the:

Social Security Office **1.800.772.1213 or 1.877.253.4720**
3201 W Commercial Blvd., Suite 100 Ft Lauderdale, FL 33309, 3511 N. Pine Island, Sunrise and 500 N. Hiatus Rd., Pembroke Pines
Hours: Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Wednesday 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

U.S. citizens need a certified copy of their birth certificate or baptismal record. Non U.S. citizens need their birth certificate and legal papers, such as a passport, visa, green card or work authorization permit. No Photocopies allowed.



Identification Card

To get an identification card, you can apply for one at any driver's license office. You must:

- (a) be 12 years of age or older
- (b) present your official Social Security card
- (c) have two items of identification, one of which must list your full name and date of birth, and a second supporting document, such as: birth certificate, school record stating date of birth, baptismal certificate, family bible record, passport, Florida vehicle registration certificate, court order which includes name, voter registration card, marriage license or certificate, Florida or out-of-state driver license, military ID card
- (d) There is no fee for Florida homeless and you must present documentation of homelessness.

LifeNet4Families can assist persons experiencing homelessness obtain their birth Certificate and State of FL Identification card.

WHERE TO GO DURING A HURRICANE

Direct people to the closest hurricane shelter and/or call 2-1-1 to find out where the closest hurricane shelter is located.

WHERE TO GO DURING COLD WEATHER

Broward County's Homeless Coordinated Entry and Assessment Screening, Information and Referral hotline operated by 2-1-1 Broward by dialing 211 or 954.563.4357. (Activated only during a hurricane 954.831.4000)

Broward County Transit will pick up people at any of the following locations and transport them to designated emergency locations. Buses will run until the wind speed exceeds 39 mph.

- **CENTRAL Salvation Army** - 1445 W. Broward Blvd., Fort Lauderdale
- **NORTH Pompano Beach City Hall** - 100 West Atlantic Blvd., Pompano Beach (south side parking lot)

HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH HIV/AIDS (HOPWA)

Program in Broward County

• **Broward Regional Health
Planning Council**

954.561.9681

Emergency financial
assistance for rent, mortgage,
utilities and permanent
housing placement
assistance to prevent
homelessness.



• **Broward House Assisted Living**

Facility **954.468.1290**

Emergency Transition Housing, Supportive Housing.

• **Shadowood II** **954.462.3719**

Emergency Transition Housing, Supportive Housing.

• **Susan B. Anthony** **954.733.6068**

Supportive Housing for women and children only.

• **House of Hope** **954.524.8989**

Supportive Housing

• **Care Resource** **954.567.7141**

Housing Case Management preventing homelessness.

• **Minority Development & Empowerment** **954.315.4530**

**For a full directory of services
in Broward County, call 211,
954.563.4357 or go to [http://www.
resourcehouse.com/211-broward](http://www.resourcehouse.com/211-broward)**

**TASKFORCE FOR ENDING
HOMELESSNESS INC. TO MEET WITH THE
HOMELESS OUTREACH TEAM GO TO THE
ASSESSMENT POINTS LISTED BELOW:**

South Region: NW Corner of Pembroke Road
and South 21st Ave., Hollywood. *Tuesday-
Saturday starting at 11:30 a.m.*

Central Region: 100 feet north of the Central
Bus Terminal on NW 1st Avenue. *Every day
(except Thursdays) starting at 2:45 p.m. Thursday
– 1100 N Andrews Avenue in the parking lot
starting at 3:00 p.m.*

North Region: NW corner of NW 3rd Ave. and
NW 3rd St., (MLK Blvd./Hammondville Rd.)
Monday-Friday starting at 11:30 a.m.

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Homelessness Policymakers

There are a number of government institutions responsible for homeless policies in downtown Ft Lauderdale.

City of Ft Lauderdale

- The Mayor & City Commission creates many of the rules governing the treatment of homeless people in downtown, but few of the actual homeless services. There are public Commission meetings every 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6 pm at City Hall, 100 N Andrews Ave. There are a number of other advisory boards that handle issues downtown. For a complete list see www.fortlauderdale.gov/departments-/city-clerk-s-office/advisory-board

Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing:

Jery Pryor 954-828-5024

Sandi Downs-Keesling 954-828-4060

Task Force for Ending Homelessness:

Lorraine Wilby 954-525-3494

- **The FLPD** enforces criminal laws against homeless people downtown. The City & downtown businesses also contract a number of private security employees.
- **The Downtown Development Authority** is a special district created to promote development and “combat urban blight.” Their 7 member board, comprised mostly of large downtown property owners and developers, is appointed by the City Commission. They have a public meeting every 2nd Thursday of the month at 8:30 am at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts, 201 SW 5th Ave

Broward County

- **Broward County Commission** is the major policymaker for the majority of services provided to homeless people in Ft Lauderdale. They meet every Tuesday morning at 10 am at the Governmental Center, 115 S Andrews Ave.
- **The Continuum of Care Board** is a 24 member advisory board to the County gov’t for all homeless services. They have a public meeting every 4th Wednesday of the month at 10 am in the Governmental Center, 115 S Andrews Ave.
- **Broward Sheriff’s Office** has a number of Homeless Outreach Deputies. Contact: Deputy Monica Jean, 954-831-8221
- For most Broward County Homeless Services, see the County’s reference guide on the previous pages.