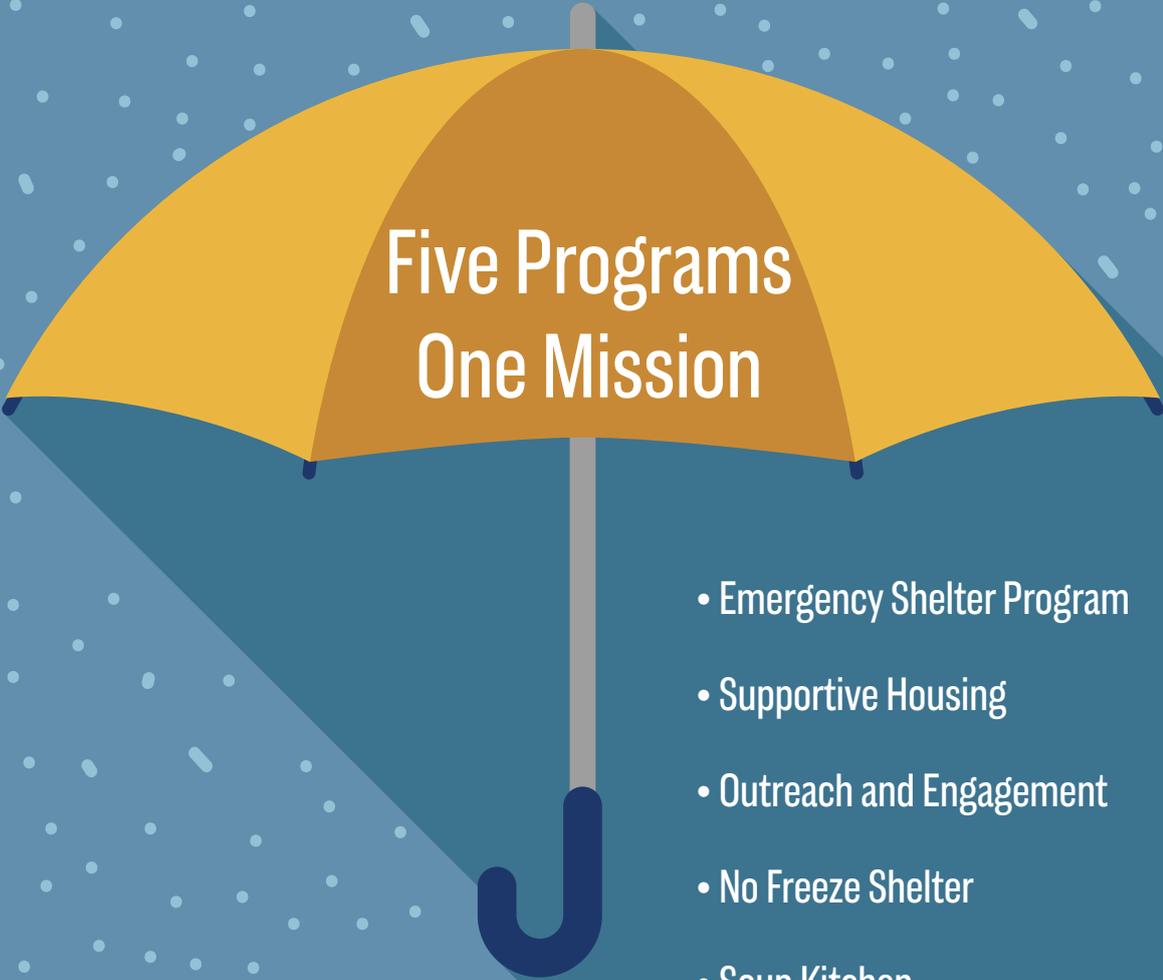


BETH-EL CENTER 2018 ANNUAL REPORT



Five Programs One Mission

- Emergency Shelter Program
- Supportive Housing
- Outreach and Engagement
- No Freeze Shelter
- Soup Kitchen

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“Small Acts Change the World”

This five-word statement hangs in the lobby of the Beth-El Center, painted on a plain wooden sign that could easily blend in as most art eventually does. Instead it appears to stand out, with most new visitors or guests commenting daily on its truthfulness because it is the spirit of our Center.

As we bring the intentions, goals and struggles of 2018 to a close and look forward to the work ahead, we admire that despite how many small acts are needed to meet the needs of those we serve, you continue to offer your contributions to change the world. Through volunteerism, in-kind and monetary donations and advocacy, you continue to tackle the ever-changing needs of those experiencing homelessness and hunger in our community knowing that it takes your small acts, and the acts of others, to accomplish our community goals.

Last year brought us both challenges and great success. We have experienced an increased need for our public soup kitchen services as we now serve more than ten additional guests per day. We've also seen an increase in those who are unsheltered in our community, seeking refuge in public spaces and looking for safety, while reconciling hard realities with opportunities for help. We've seen the complexity of barriers and needs for those admitted to our 90-day shelter program grow and our No Freeze winter emergency shelter remains at capacity nightly. This is when your small acts have the greatest impact.

Thank you for your small acts as they continue to change our world. Because of you, we look to 2019 from a position of hope and strength.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Paradis, Executive Director
Ed Davies, Board Chairperson

Beth-El Center Statistics 2018 vs. 2017

Soup Kitchen Meals Served:
29,000 **28,000**

**Individuals sheltered and supported in our
90 day shelter program:**
128 **90**

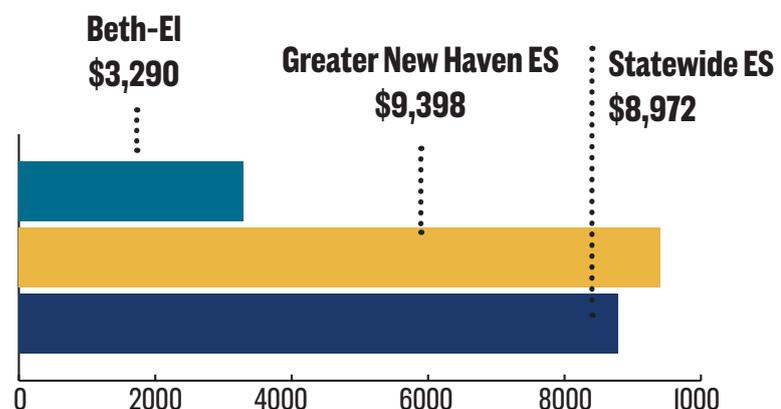
**Individuals who stayed in our
No Freeze Shelter/Nights Stayed:**
108 **63**
1452 **1296**

**Volunteers who generously give their
time to Beth-El Center**
100+ **80+**

**The need for our programs and
services has significantly increased
from 2017 to 2018.**

Operational Efficiency

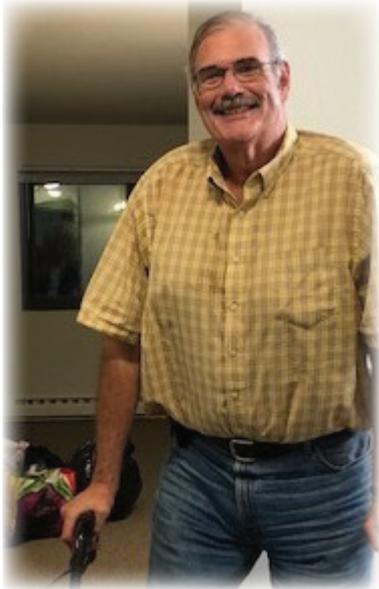
Average Per Person Shelter Stay Cost



State of Connecticut Emergency Shelter (ES) Statistics

The Beth-El Center is an efficient and effective organization according to the data from the State of CT Analytics. The Center is able to maintain efficiency by keeping length of stays short, while not compromising positive, stable housing exits and therefore operate 1/3 more efficiently than other shelters in the region and statewide.*

*Report published 10/2018 uses data from 2016-17



Disability from Arthritis Results in Job and Housing Loss for Local Man

Steve, age 57, came to the Beth-El Center through our outreach and engagement efforts during our Soup Kitchen lunch service. Steve was diagnosed with severe arthritis causing him to lose his job as a construction site manager. His situation snowballed and resulted in the loss of his housing. Steve went through all of his savings, forcing him to live in his vehicle.

After staying several nights in our No Freeze winter emergency shelter, Steve was admitted to our 90-day shelter program and began his journey toward reestablishing self sufficiency. With complex medical issues, Steve worked tirelessly to engage in his healthcare while working to obtain his Social Security Disability Income. He was awarded his Social Security Disability Income with the support and advocacy of our trained staff and housed within 30 days of his award.

“Coming from a situation of complete destitution to being able to obtain resources like Medicaid and food stamps and other benefits while in a safe, stable environment was such a blessing,” said Steve. “Then, with Beth-El’s help, I was able to focus on getting my disability benefits.” Outcomes such as this verify that our system is working and a robust outreach and engagement effort is critical to ensuring prioritized coordinated entry to shelter.

“Beth-El Center has an intensive program and talented and committed staff who are willing to facilitate in any way they can,” according to Steve. “Beth El provided a profound blessing to my life’s journey through the most challenging times.”



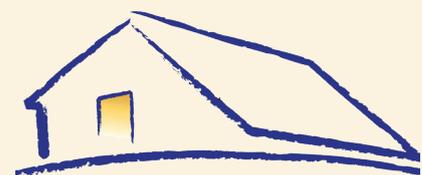
Donor Profile

Donor, Albert Munroe Jr., owner of Al Munroe Plumbing and Heating and lifelong Milford resident, has been a committed donor to the Beth-El Center for close to ten years. Al was introduced to the Center when plumbing services were needed and he donated his time for some small projects. When former Executive Director, Toni Dolan, called him repeatedly for plumbing assistance, he started donating money in addition to his time.

“I remember what it’s like to struggle,” says Munroe. “I know there are a lot of people less fortunate than I am who just need a break. Sometimes life is hard and people need help. The Beth-El Center is there for them.”

In addition to periodically donating food and toiletries, Al has made a monthly donation to the Center for nearly the past decade.

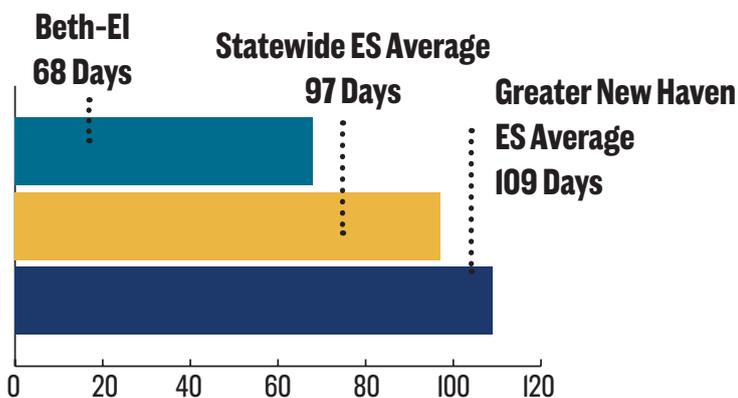
According to Jennifer Paradis, Beth-El’s Executive Director, “Al Munroe and the business he has created with his sons is a testament to the spirit of Milford. He continues to give to the Center, supporting our critical programs and services because, as he would say, anyone could experience homelessness and hunger in their lives. It is incredibly important to support community non-profits when possible, making our communities happier and healthier!”



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Length of Stay



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Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended December 31, 2018
(Unaudited)

Support and Revenue	
Government & Related Contracts	\$ 435,528
Foundations & Corporations	75,130
Contributions	250,436
Fundraising Income	135,088
Program Income	2,199
Miscellaneous	830
Total Support & Revenue	\$ 899,212
Expenses	
Salaries & Wages	\$ 428,539
Fringe Benefits	72,675
Occupancy	53,849
Utilities	40,567
Administrative Expenses	42,179
Professional Fees	56,843
Insurance	14,189
Program Expenses	157,417
Contributions & Sponsorships	185
Fundraising	8,906
Property Taxes	12
Interest	582
Unrealized Loss on Investment	521
Depreciation	51,067
Total Expenses	\$ 927,528
Change in Net Assets	(28,316)

2019 Beth-El Center
Board of Directors

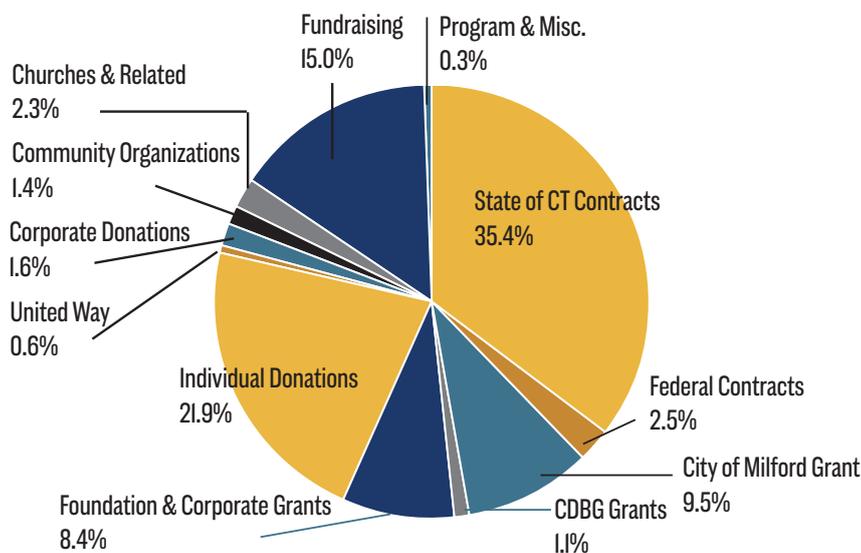
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Revenue by Source



Expense by Program

