



YMCA Van Buren Shelter Services

Monthly news & updates

February 11th, 2021

Give a Meal

[Sign-Up](#) to feed the men at our Van Buren North location this month.

Volunteer Now

[Sign-Up](#) to become a volunteer and get involved.

Top 3 Donation Needs

1. Men's Boxer Briefs- *all sizes*
2. Towels and Washcloths- *new or gently used*
3. Travel Size Toiletries

[View Our Wishlist](#)



Van Buren Emergency Shelters

This month YMCA Van Buren Emergency Shelters served

- 447 men
- 292 women
- 63 families, or 208 individuals

Spreading Love & Cheer (*safely*) this Valentine's Day

BESA Valentine's Day Spaghetti Dinner

This Friday, BESA will host its annual Valentine's Dinner at Van Buren Center for our single adult women and families. We are excited to have BESA return again this year for the event while continuing to take precautions to keep everyone safe.

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Besa
BE THE GOOD

Random Acts of Kindness Week February 14th-20th, 2021

Even the smallest act of kindness can change a life and with next week being **Random Acts of Kindness Week**, we want to encourage everyone to Explore the Good and Make Kindness the Norm. Visit the foundation's webpage below for ideas to spread kindness and consider trying out one of their projects to share with the guests at Van Buren.



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Staff Spotlight

Van Buren Center



Agustin Correa- Facilities Director

We are so thankful to have Gus back at Van Buren Center. With the recent weather conditions, he has been our snow warrior. Salting, shoveling, plowing at all hours of the day and night to keep us all safe!

Van Buren North (Men's Shelter)



Jayonna Tivis-Peake- Team Lead

Jayonna's commitment to serving and her natural ability to lead makes her a positive influence to her peers. She expresses the bigger picture in why we do what we do in our community and inspires others to do the same.

Impact #'s for the 2020 Year



536
Volunteers Mobilized
IN 2020
**AT VAN BUREN
EMERGENCY
SHELTERS**



250
Employment Connections
IN 2020
(Between Sept. and Dec.)
**AT VAN BUREN
EMERGENCY
SHELTERS**



232
Clients Impacted
IN 2020
**BY GIVE HER
HOPE FUNDS**



4,999
Individuals Served
IN 2020
**AT VAN BUREN
EMERGENCY
SHELTERS**



160,899
Meals Served
IN 2020
**AT VAN BUREN
EMERGENCY
SHELTERS**

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