

Warm Weather Emergency Shelter

Martha's
VILLAGE & KITCHEN

**Open in Palm Springs
July 6 - September 30, 2021**

Martha's Village & Kitchen is proud to announce the opening of their new Warm Weather Emergency Shelter in Palm Springs, CA. The shelter will provide services to the homeless facing extreme summer temperatures here in the desert.

Services Provided

- Meals
- Shelter
- Daily Showers
- Full Case Management Wrap-Around services such as an initial assessment of needs, the development of a case plan and goals, and the support needed to make progress towards those goals.
- Much more...!

Location

United Methodist Church
1555 E. Alejo Road
Palm Springs, CA 92262
Phone: (760) 424-8241

Enrollment Now Open

Applications for new clients are being accepted from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm daily. Due to limited bed availability, applications are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.



For more information, please contact us:
Phone: (760) 424-8241 or info@marthasvillage.org



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Riverside County, Martha's Village & Kitchen Open 24/7 Cooling Shelter for People Experiencing Homelessness

PALM SPRINGS – Riverside County, in partnership with nonprofit organization Martha's Village & Kitchen, opened a 24/7 cooling shelter in Palm Springs to help people experiencing homelessness have relief from the Coachella Valley's extreme summer temperatures. The shelter will also connect residents in need to services.

The shelter is at United Methodist Church of Palm Springs, 1555 E. Alejo Rd.

This is the third consecutive summer that Riverside County has offered overnight cooling centers for homeless residents in need of a place to sleep out of the heat. Supervisor V. Manuel Perez each year has been able to find one-time county funding sources to open these centers as an emergency safety measure in the hot summer months.

“The summer overnight cooling shelters have been a worthy effort to help those who are not fortunate to have stable housing to escape the Coachella Valley's dangerous heat conditions,” said Supervisor Perez. “I appreciate Martha's Village & Kitchen for partnering to operate this center, and providing an access point to link people experiencing homelessness with social services and resources they need. This is life-saving assistance that will help our vulnerable residents survive and have supportive services.”

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The United Methodist Church of Palm Springs shelter will be funded utilizing \$277,000 from the federal Emergency Solutions Grant received by the county. The Desert Healthcare District is contributing an additional \$20,000. Martha's Village & Kitchen, a nonprofit homelessness provider in Indio, will manage the site, which will run 24-hours instead of only overnight.

The center will run through September 30. The center has a capacity of 40.

For questions about the cooling shelter, contact Martha's Village & Kitchen at 760-347-4741. A direct shelter contact phone number will be operational Thursday, and that phone number will be 760-424-8241.

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Supervisor V. Manuel Perez represents the eastern two-thirds of Riverside County on the Riverside County Board of Supervisors. Stretching from Palm Springs and Desert Hot Springs, south to the Salton Sea and east to Blythe and the Colorado River, the 4th District is the largest geographical district in the county.

Supervisor Perez's office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.