

MOTOR CITY MITTEN MISSION



The Motor City Mitten Mission is dedicated to helping the homeless, the needy, the sick and those striving for a better way of life while educating, partnering and collaborating with a number of other organizations, schools, churches, clubs and businesses. We do what we do because it's the right thing to do!

By The Numbers 2025 Annual Impact Summary



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Some Problems of Homelessness

U.S. Homelessness (January 2025 PIT Count) Info

- 745,652 people experienced homelessness on a single night — including 266,320 people living on the street on a single night in January 2025 – a 27% increase since 2013.
- 64 % sheltered, 36 % unsheltered
- One-third were in families (259,000 individuals)- family homelessness rose by 39 %, especially sheltered families
- Nearly 150,000 children were homeless, a 33 % increase
- Chronic homelessness reached a new high: around 152,600 people (20 % of total), with 65 % unsheltered.
- Two-thirds were individuals, up 9.6 % over last year.
- Veteran homelessness fell ~8 % to about 32,900

Michigan Homelessness Trends

- Michigan had 9,739 individuals homeless on a single January 2025 night
- That's over 33,000 people total in 2024 — up from 32,705 in 2023.
- Children's homelessness (Pre-K–12) rose about 15 %, affecting nearly 33,000 students plus 10,000 under age 3.
- Michigan recorded a doubling of unsheltered people in some areas such as Detroit (151 to 305 from 2015 to 2024).

Service & Shelter Challenges

- Many shelters remain at capacity, with congested conditions contributing to safety concerns (violence, theft) and disease outbreaks.
- Chronic issues still include lack of IDs, no cell phone/internet, and poor transportation access, which all hinder individuals from accessing support.

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- The Motor City Mitten Mission (MCMM) stands out for its unwavering commitment to hands-on, grassroots outreach. Unlike many organizations that operate from a distance, MCMM works directly on the streets, providing immediate support to individuals experiencing homelessness and housing insecurity. Our team is out every day—365 days a year—bringing food, hygiene supplies, clothing, and compassion to people where they are.
- What truly sets MCMM apart is our comprehensive, wraparound approach to care. In addition to daily street outreach, we offer transitional support services that help individuals move from homelessness into safe and stable housing. We also operate emergency shelter programs, motel support, and food delivery for families and individuals in crisis—creating personalized solutions for each person's unique situation.
- MCMM's strength lies in its deep community roots and dedicated volunteers. We partner with local agencies, churches, schools, and service providers to ensure a coordinated effort across Metro Detroit. Every donation, volunteer hour, and outreach effort directly supports real people in real need—making the Motor City Mitten Mission a powerful force for change and hope in our region.

67,525

Meals Served

- **13,140+** Hours of Street Outreach
- **400+** Children under the age of 17 provided services
- **600** Seniors 65+ provided services
- **100+** Veterans provided services

54,750

Street Outreach Service Encounters

- **702** Clients moved to either transitional or permanent housing as a direct results of MCMM services
- **208** homes furnished
- **186** Clients assisted to Substance Abuse Treatment

8 Million

Plastic Bags COLLECTED

- **7,692** "Plarn" mats & pillows distributed
- **6,153,600** Plastic bags upcycled
- **800+** Collaborations with businesses, schools, churches & other organizations (cumulated from 2018)

156,279

Hours Volunteered

- **\$300K** in Individual supplies distributed
- **2,203** Food donations picked up
- **20+** Free Garage Sales, Grab & Grubs and Safe Haven Events



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