2021 PARTICIPANT PACKET



SLEEP OUT: EXECUTIVE EDITION

Thank you for joining us November 18th to sleep outside so our youth don't have to!

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Conference Call: (Please Join for Updates or Questions)

Wednesday, Nov 17th at 11:00 am and 3:00 pm

Join us on Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84858100332

Meeting ID: 848 5810 0332

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Event Details

When:

Thursday, November 18, 2021 6:30 pm – 11:30 pm

Where:

New York Avenue Presbyterian Church 1313 New York Avenue NW, Washington DC, 20005

or via Zoom livestream

Covenant House Greater Washington - Virtual Sleep Out Time: Nov 18, 2021 06:30 PM ET

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Schedule of Events:

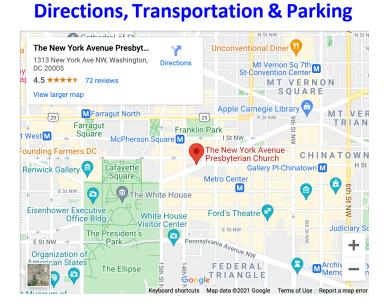
- 6:30 pm Registration/Check-In
- 7:00 pm Welcome Remarks
- 7:20 pm Candlelight Vigil
- 8:00 pm Dinner (Virtual Sleep Out Panelists will speak at this time)
- 8:20 pm Youth Panel Discussion
- 8:50 pm Team Roll Call & Fundraising Totals Announced
- 9:00 11:00 pm Symbolic Sleep Out
- 11:00 pm Sleeper Reflections
- 11:30 pm Closing

Sleeper Conference Calls:

Have any questions or concerns before the big night? Join us during one of our sleeper conference calls:

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New York Avenue Presbyterian Church 1313 New York Avenue NW, Washington DC, 20005

Click here for directions

If you are traveling by car, please allow ample travel time from your destination to 1313 New York Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20005



Parking Free Parking will be available at the 1333 H Street Garage

> This garage is directly across the street from the church on New York Avenue Entrance is on H Street-East bound (one way street). Southbound traffic on 14th Street needs to make a left and Northbound traffic from 14th Street needs to make a right turn to access the garage. The garage entrance is on H Street on the left side.

What We Provide vs. What You Bring

Covenant House Greater Washington Will Provide:

- Sleeping Bags (Please let us know if you plan to bring your own)
- Cardboard and garbage bag for insulation
- Nametag (which we ask you to please wear at all times)
- Dinner
- Restroom facilities inside New York Ave Presbyterian Church

What You Can Bring:

- If you're attending the vigil, please wear comfortable and warm clothing and shoes. For all sleepers, we recommend dressing in layers and extra socks; bring a knit hat and hand/foot warmers
- Personal medication and toiletries

What You Should NOT Bring:

- Food, unless necessary for personal or medical reasons. Dinner will be served prior to the youth panel discussion and breakfast will be provided in the morning.
- Alcoholic beverages. Alcohol is strictly prohibited!
- Extra bedding. Please, no airbeds or luxury bedding items allowed. Sleep Out is an opportunity to sleep uncomfortably for one night as many youth must endure on a daily basis.
- Valuables: We will not provide any secure storage for your belongings. We recommend that you limit the amount of valuables (electronics, jewelry, money, etc.) for your own peace of mind. Covenant House Greater Washington will not be responsible for any lost items.

Weather

Life on the street is tough, especially for homeless youth. As you sleep out in solidarity with them, we promise in return an inspirational and safe experience while you are with us. The event will take place rain, snow or shine!

In the event of extremely poor weather conditions, there will be space available inside. This space will be available regardless of the weather, and it is your decision where you would like to sleep on this night. We appreciate all you do to support our youth and our mission.

Sleep Out Forecast

Given the unpredictability of the weather, we suggest you check the forecast before you head out!

Currently, the extended forecast is projecting cloudy skies with a high temperature of 78 degrees and a low of 40 degrees.

THURSDAY NIGHT



Communications

We understand that you have family and loved ones at home who may wish to hear from you before "lights out." You are welcome to reach out to them anytime using your personal mobile devices; Wi-Fi will be available. Wi-Fi credentials will be provided during our info session conference calls and the night of the Sleep Out.

Social Media

We encourage you to tweet and post photos on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram throughout the event!

- Use the hashtags **#SleepOutDC** and **#CovenantHouseDC**
- Don't forget to "LIKE" or "FOLLOW" us on Facebook and Instagram!
- **BE SURE** to tag Covenant House Greater Washington in your photos and we will share it on our page as well!

You can find us online at:

WEBSITE: <u>https://covenanthousedc.org/</u> INSTAGRAM: @CovenantHouseGW FACEBOOK: <u>https://www.facebook.com/CovenantHouseGW/</u>

Event Security

While we do not anticipate any security threats during the event, we want you to know that you will be safe while with us. To ensure the safety and security of our sleep out participants, the Metropolitan Police Department will be patrolling the site and we have a private security firm on site all night.

From Covenant House Greater Washington

All of the contributors to your webpage received an automatic thank you message from Covenant House Greater Washington that can be used as a tax receipt. Those who made gifts by check received a thank you letter in the mail that can also serve as a tax receipt.

From YOU!

We also encourage you to send a personal "thank you" to your donors as well. After all, if it weren't for your participation, your friends and family would not have been so generous!

We know that you are incredibly busy and we want to make acknowledging your donors as easy as possible. You can send thank you messages directly from your webpage participant center on your online Sleep Out page!

