



## Everyone deserves a safe place to sleep.

This is the rallying cry at the center of Covenant House's Sleep Out movement. It is the universal truth that calls Covenant House to welcome every young person seeking safe shelter with absolute respect and unconditional love. And it is the shared belief that brings together a community of advocates from across the Broadway, film, and television industries for one night each August. We hope you'll consider being one of them.

Covenant House has been on the front line of the youth homelessness crisis for over 50 years. Their doors are open 24/7, 365 days a year in 34 cities across the United States, Latin America, and Canada. In New York City, the oldest and largest Covenant House crisis shelter stands only blocks from Broadway and houses 120 young people each night.

What might it mean to those young people to have 120 members of our industry give up our beds for a night? The funds raised could mean they could rest easy, knowing a warm bed and loving care would remain available at no cost to them. The interactions shared might mean that they leave walking a little taller, having been seen for who they are beyond being homeless. And the attention earned might mean that the next young person seeking a safe place to sleep knows where to look.

It would mean one uncomfortable night for you. But it could mean the world to them.

Join us and Sleep Out on Sunday, August 18th, at Covenant House New York in Manhattan or unite with us remotely from anywhere in the world. [You can sign up here.](#)

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*"I love Sleep Out because you get to meet the Covenant House youth, so 'homeless kids' are no longer the distant, camouflaged strangers we too often pass on the streets. It just changes your worldview. It can't not."*

*-Audra McDonald (The Gilded Age, Rustin, Ohio State Murders) | 9-Time Sleeper*

*"Sleep Out is intense, wonderfully eye-opening, and immensely special."*

*-Ariana DeBose (Wish, West Side Story, Hamilton) | 6-Time Sleeper*

*"Sleep Out is a small challenge. It's sweaty. It's a little noisy. It's buggy. But it is not homelessness. It's an act of solidarity. It's an exercise in perspective, and also in connection."*

*-Ruthie Fierberg (Executive Editor, Broadway News) | 6-Time Sleeper*

*"There's no better way to expand your empathy when it comes to homelessness. You can read all the articles you want, but until you actually meet and listen to people who have experienced homelessness and who are actively working to end it, I don't think you can fully grasp its nuances and complexities."*

*-Miles G. Jackson (Stargazers, Problemista, The Other Two) | 4-Time Sleeper*

*"My life was profoundly changed by my first Sleep Out. I was 23 years old, in the earlier days of my career; I met a young man who was also 23. We were sitting across from each other and I was struck at the idea that, with such a few small shifts in circumstance, we could be sitting on the opposite side of the table."*

*-Rachel Brosnahan (The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel) | 11-Time Sleeper*