

Bristol Churches Winter Night Shelter 18/19

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Winter 18/19:

Last winter, churches in Bristol once again opened their doors as part of the Bristol Churches Winter Night Shelter (BCWNS) project. Adopting the Housing Justice model for church-based shelters, a significant contribution was made to homeless work in Bristol. The intention is to open up churches in the same way this winter for a 12-week period from January to March 2019.

Project Coordination:

We are delighted to announce that **Amanda Munday** has been appointed as **Project Coordinator**. Amanda can be contacted via: BristolChurchesWinterShelter@gmail.com and on **07507 735798**. Amanda is the main point of contact for this year's project with support and supervision being given via Jonathan Lee at Crisis Centre Ministries and the Steering Group. Please also connect with the project on [Facebook](#).

We are now advertising for a **Deputy Coordinator**; please contact Amanda for details.

Shelter Venues:

During September we have had conversations with venues that hosted the shelter last year as well as new churches who have approached us and want to be involved. The outcome is that we already have a complete set of venues in which to host this year's shelter! However, if your church is interested in becoming a host venue in the future then Amanda would love to discuss how you could get involved.

Volunteers:

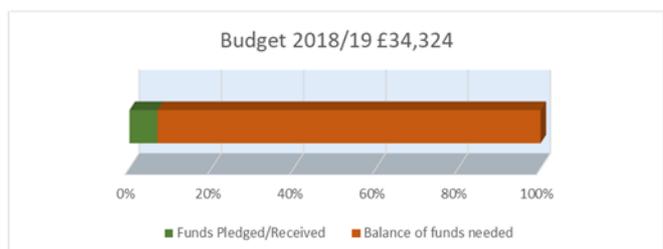
The project was blessed with over 400 volunteers, representing over 60 churches, for last year's 12-week project. This was an amazing response to the need for homeless shelter in Bristol. We are ready to launch our volunteer sign up this year which allows volunteers to sign up for a training session in November. Training sessions run from **Saturday Nov 3rd** until **Tuesday Nov 20th**. Please sign up here <http://bcwns.org>

Finances:

Last year's project was significantly helped by the financial contributions which enabled costs to be met with a surplus of just over £2300. The provisional budget for 2018/19 amounts to £34,324 which allows for running costs and investment in the long term sustainability of the project.

Please advise Amanda of any pledges of financial support that you can make. Contributions towards the BCWNS can be forwarded directly to the following account:

Account Name: Crisis Centre Limited
Account Number: 01408518
Sort Code: 40-14-13
Payment reference: BCWNS



Crisis Centre Ministries hold all funds for the project as a 'restricted fund' meaning that they will not be used for any other purpose.

BCWNS Contacts

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