REALTORS® Believe: We believe in working together for Florida’s future. Not only does homeownership matter, but housing matters.

Total Homeless in Lee County 848
- Emergency Shelter 236
- Transitional Housing 216
- Unsheltered 396

Homeless Populations Survey, Dept. of Housing and Urban Development 2013 Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Programs. Data reflects 10-week survey sample to give providers a view of the current need for housing and funded social services.

...Since 2007, Florida has had the largest increases in the rate of homelessness in the nation. Having a place to stay—a place to call home—is the first step to building the strong, vibrant communities we all envision. Together we can make a difference!

- Sherri Meadows, Florida Realtors President

Percent of Florida’s homeless population was living in homes just one year prior to survey.

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<th>School District</th>
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<td>Lee</td>
<td>1,446</td>
<td>93,825</td>
<td>1 in 65 students</td>
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Florida Department of Education, Bureau of Federal Educational Programs. 2012-2013 Final Homeless Counts. Annual census of all enrolled students. Federal definition of homeless students includes those who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, based on specific criteria.
Get Involved!

*Helping our neighbors in need strengthens the community for us all.*

Abuse Counseling and Treatment, Inc. is a private, not-for-profit agency committed to serving victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking. The ACT Emergency Shelters offer a safe haven for survivors and their children, with 68 beds in Fort Myers and 22 beds in Cape Coral. This past year, ACT sheltered 648 residential clients and provided 18,316 counselling hours to those in need. In August, ACT will open a shelter in Hendry County. To help this amazing organization, visit www.ACTAbuse.com to see a calendar of all their fundraising activities, including Bears and Barbecue, Arts for ACT, or simply lend your time as a volunteer at the Second ACT Thrift Store and Arts for ACT Art Gallery.

Lifeline Family Center is a faith-based organization, providing housing and a safe environment for young women in crisis pregnancies. Here, they can access education and job training, professional counseling, parenting classes, and spiritual direction. Lifeline’s goal is to enable at-risk mothers to redirect their lives and become self-supporting within two years after the birth of their child. Women are guided through the job search process, and are provided free babysitting at the residential facility while they work or pursue their Associate of Science degree. Visit www.LifelineFamilyCenter.org to find out how you can donate your support as a volunteer, or give much-needed household items to mothers in crisis.

Ann’s Restoration House reaches out to the homeless with mental illness and chronic substance abusers, offering a faith-based program of redemption, rehabilitation, and restoration. They operate a transitional residence and a structured, supportive recovery program for individuals and single parents with children maintain long term sobriety and obtain permanent housing. The program is run entirely on donations, and Ann’s hosts community fundraisers throughout the year. Find out how you can help change lives by visiting their Facebook page: www.facebook.com/RecoveryAtRestorationHouse/.

We Care Outreach is a ministry dedicated to empowering people to fight the war on homelessness and addiction in Lee County. They provide shelter, recovery support services, case management, life skills training, legal advocacy, mentoring, and crisis management to help meet their needs until they can help themselves. Residential long-term support is available at their Men’s, and Women’s Recovery Houses, and a house for families and women with children. We Care Outreach also runs a donation-based community food pantry and “Blessing Closet”, providing homeless individuals with clean clothes and hot meals. Donations are welcomed, please contact info@wecarefortmyers.org to contribute to this noble cause.

Each organization listed has multiple ways for you and your fellow Realtors to get involved. We encourage you to inquire how your group can donate your time, household items, monetary gifts, or participate in exciting fundraising events to benefit our neighbors in need!