

# News

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## **Volunteers needed to help with homeless resource event**

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich. – The Macomb County Homeless Coalition and Macomb County Continuum of Care are seeking volunteers for a Community Connection Day for the homeless.

The Community Connection Day will serve as a way to assist local homeless people with obtaining housing and services. Numerous organizations will be on hand to take applications and provide services.

Volunteers are needed to prepare and serve lunch and to help the homeless get all the services available. Professionals willing to volunteer their services also are encouraged to take part.

Services offered at the event include:

- Food
- Personal care (haircuts, personal care supplies and clothing)
- Health screenings (blood pressure, glucose, etc.)
- Mental health screenings

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- General benefits counseling (Department of Human Services, Social Security, etc.)
- Legal services
- Employment services (job referrals, employment counseling)
- Housing and shelter information
- Activities and entertainment

The Community Connection Day will be from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 28, at Cairns Community Center, 58 Orchard Street in Mount Clemens.

The January 2007 Point in Time Count recorded a total of 1,142 homeless in Macomb County. A 2009 Point in Time Count will be conducted in conjunction with the Community Connection Day.

Contact Carrie Fortune, Continuum of Care coordinator, at 586-741-4521 or [carrie.fortune@macombcountymi.gov](mailto:carrie.fortune@macombcountymi.gov) for more information or to volunteer.

### **About Macomb County**

Macomb County is an enriching community in Southeastern Michigan that has enjoyed one of the state's fastest growth rates over the past 15 years. Macomb's 833,000 residents – up more than 44,000 since the 2000 census – make it Michigan's third-largest county, with direct access to Lake St. Clair and Anchor Bay, and a host of cultural and entertainment options. Its highly skilled workforce and investment in new and expanding businesses make it open to enterprise. An increasingly diverse population and high quality of life make Macomb County accessible to all.

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