

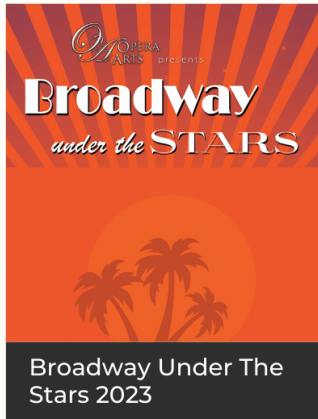


The Well In The Desert News

Poverty Prevention

Intervention

Advocacy



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Message from the President of the Well in the Desert

The Well in the Desert was founded in 1996 as a 501c3 organization with the strong mission of making sure people do not go hungry. We opened up our doors and began serving the community with food, services, and a listening ear.



Arlene Rosenthal

We distribute food packages to those in need through local churches.

Despite facing numerous issues, the organization perseveres and continues to make a difference in the lives of many.

The Well has become a pillar of the community, offering not only basic needs but also programs to break the cycle of poverty such as resume writing assistance.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Well has become a beacon of hope for many families in our region. We have established strong relationships with other organizations, churches, and supermarkets that help with our strong mission of helping the community.

We provide those in need with hot meals, clothing, and even utility assistance to help them get back on their feet.

Last month, we held our annual public event, "Broadway Under The Stars". The event was held on an early spring evening at the Renaissance Esmeralda -- nestled amongst the palm trees of Indian Wells. The sky was lit up with stars and a cool breeze carried through the air. The guests arrived at the event to be welcomed by a live orchestra.

As the sun set, hundreds of people gathered around a large stage to enjoy a night of musicals. Singers took turns performing beloved Broadway classics such as "Les Miserables" and "Phantom of the Opera". The audience was captivated by the soulful melodies and passionate performances that left everyone in awe.

Afterwards there was a special presentation honoring Jeanie Cunningham who thanked everyone for their support of this unique event, including those who couldn't make it but donated in order for it to come to life.

The audience was truly captivated by the performances and each one was met with overwhelming applause and cheers. Meanwhile, donations for those who couldn't make it to the event rolled in from all corners of the world. It wasn't just money that people gave either -- some donated their time to help out at the event or offered up goods like blankets or food for those in need.

You can still help support our cause. We have a donation center located in downtown Palm Springs.

Please call me or e-mail me if you have any questions: (760) 275-7297, or rose1944@aol.com.

Thank you all for listening.

Arlene,
President, Well in the Desert



OPERA ARTS presents
Broadway
under the STARS





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On a Single Night in 2022

More than half of all people experiencing homelessness in the country were in four states: California (30% or 171,521 people); New York (13% or 74,178 people); Florida (5% or 25,959 people); and Washington (4% or 25,211).

Source: The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development



LATEST NEWS

Nearly 4 of every 10 people experiencing homelessness identified as Black, African American, or African (37% or 217,366 people). A higher percentage of people in shelter identified as Black (44% or 154,557 people) compared to people experiencing homelessness in unsheltered locations (27% or 62,809). Half of all people experiencing homelessness identified as White (50% or 291,395 people). A higher share of the unsheltered population identified as White (57%) than the sheltered population (45%).



LATEST NEWS

The number people experiencing homelessness who identified as Hispanic or Latin(a)(o)(x) increased by eight percent between 2020 and 2022. This reflects a considerable increase in the number of people who identify as Hispanic and were experiencing unsheltered homelessness, which increased by 16 percent (8,513 people) between 2020 and 2022.



People Experiencing Homelessness

Key Findings

On a single night in 2022, roughly 582,500 people were experiencing homelessness in the United States. Six in ten (60%) were staying in sheltered locations—emergency shelters, safe havens, or transitional housing programs—and four in ten (40%) were in unsheltered locations such as on the street, in abandoned buildings, or in other places not suitable for human habitation.

The AHAR has been reporting demographic information on people experiencing homelessness on a single night since 2017.

In 2022, more than three-quarters (76%) of all people experiencing homelessness were adults aged 25 or older (444,041 people), 17 percent were children under the age of 18 (98,244 children). Seven percent were young adults aged 18 to 24 (40,177 young adults).

Among people experiencing unsheltered homelessness, nine of every ten people were adults aged 25 or older.





WHAT WE DO

Well in the Desert

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- Daily hot nutritious meal to over 200 people a day, 6 days a week.
- Phone and mail service.
- Free ID vouchers and DMV forms.
- Morning coffee, rolls and fruit.
- Furniture for people in need.
- Clothing for job interviews and those who need them.
- Assistance with food stamps, MISP, ID's and more.
- Utility assistance.
- Resume writing assistance.
- One way tickets home.
- Saturday food distribution of healthy foods to working families, seniors, veterans, the disabled, families with children.
- Emergency food boxes.
- Some transportation to medical and social service appointments.
- Van transportation to hot lunch sites.
- Home deliveries to seniors who are homebound or frail.
- "Well Assist" program to downtown merchants and other business owners.
- Thanksgiving and Christmas celebrations for all in need. Christmas presents for all the children.
- Mental health counseling.
- Children's better eating program.
- Outreach 5 days a week with snacks, coffee, sweet rolls, clothing, toiletries.

For more information: (760) 656-8905

HOT MEAL WEEKLY PROGRAM

*Please arrive no more than 15 minutes before service.
All lunch service is from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.*



Monday

**United Methodist Church
1555 E. Alejo Rd. — Palm Springs**

Bus line 24 takes you right in front of the Church. Lunch is served in the building in back.

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Wednesday

**Church of St. Paul in the Desert--just up El Alameda from Palm Canyon
125 W. El Alameda — Palm Springs**

Bus line 111

Thursday

Our Lady of Solitude--corner of Alejo and Belardo 474 N. Belardo Rd. — Palm Springs

Bus line 111

Friday

**Our Lady of Guadalupe
204 S. Calle El Segundo at Arenas — Palm Springs**

Bus lines 111 & 14, Indian & Baristo

Saturday

**Food Distribution Center--181 N. Indian Canyon Dr. — Palm Springs
6 a.m. to 7 a.m., 8 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.**

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Mission Statement

The Well in the Desert provides daily nutritious hot meals, emergency food assistance, weekly supplemental food distribution, and access to community services to those affected by poverty, including the working poor, the homeless, seniors, the handicapped and others in need throughout the west end of the Coachella Valley. Our mission fuels programs for poverty prevention, direct services for poverty intervention, and organized efforts to advocate for the poor.

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