MARSHALLING YARD EMERGENCY SHELTER UPDATE

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE BRIEFING AUGUST 6, 2025

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CONTEXT: MARSHALLING YARD EMERGENCY SHELTER

Facility opened on August 22, 2023.

Facility operator: Endeavors

Capacity: 282 clients

Entries thru May 2025: 1,323

Clients receive multiple services, including:

- Daily transportation services, including door-to-door transfers.
- Three meals per day, provided through new partnership with Central TX Food Bank.
- Pet-friendly on-site boarding facility and pet food.
- Onsite wash, dry, and folding service.
- Onsite showering facilities.
- Onsite access to case management.
- Wellness activities (e.g., television area, open Wi-Fi network, etc.).
- Patio access for outdoor activities and smoking area.

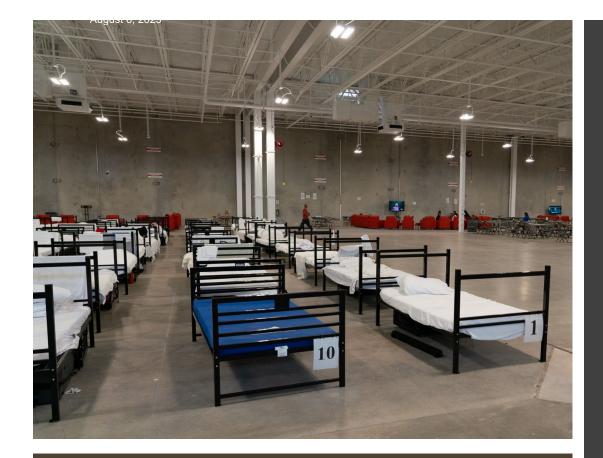












MARSHALLING YARD PERFORMANCE METRICS

1,323

Clients Served from Opening thru May 2025

244

Clients Positively Exited from Opening thru May 2025

87

Clients Positively Exited from May 2024 thru May 2025

29%

Positive Exit Rate for Period from May 2024 thru May 2025



MARSHALLING YARD FACILITY & STAFFING UPDATES

Facility Updates

- Shelter layout reconfigured due to Convention Center storage needs.
- Improved section dividers for men, women, LGBTQ, and mobility impaired.
- Redesigned outdoor area for leisure, smoking, dog walking, etc.

Staffing Updates

- Have nine Housing Case Managers, a mix of Endeavors staff and Sunrise
- Have a Full Time Activity Coordinator
- Hired Peer Specialist
- Have vans/drivers going to the closest bus stop every 15 minutes









MARSHALLING YARD CLIENT SERVICE ENHANCEMENTS

- APL Bookmobile visits monthly for book checkout/library card IDs
- Community Care visits weekly to help with medical needs of clients
- Barber School students have ongoing visits for free haircuts
- GenMobil visits every Thursday to provide free phone services
- Clients are transported to local job fairs, and Goodwill held onsite fair
- Clients have job supportive service opportunities from Endeavors
- Peer Support Specialist conducts ongoing sessions
- Friday night karaoke sessions facilitated by Endeavors staff

SUCCESS SPOTLIGHT: Shawn Stephens

- Became homeless in 2009 and struggled with opioid addiction.
- Entered Marshalling Yard in May 2024 with determination and faith.
- Expressed strong desire to work for Endeavors at MYES one day.
- Secured housing in August 2024.
- Earned his Peer Support Specialist certification in October 2024.
- Fulfilled personal goal in January 2025 by joining MYES staff.
- Shawn remains at MYES, serving and inspiring others.





Next Steps

Continue providing high-quality services at Marshalling Yard until a location for permanent homeless shelter beds is identified and online.

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