



Greetings,

The La Crosse Warming Center is seeking your help! We are a local shelter in Downtown La Crosse, who serve up to 40 guests staying with us every night. From November 1<sup>st</sup>- April 30<sup>th</sup>, we provide a warm place and meal for people in our community who are without homes. We are currently putting together our dinner schedule and are seeking dinner donations. Here are a couple of ideas that we have had donated before: Pizza, casseroles, spaghetti, hot dogs and hamburgers, pastas, soups, tacos, etc.

A few notes:

- Dinner needs to serve 40-45 people.
- Ideally a meal includes: A main course, a side (starch, steamed veggies, cold vegetables or salad), a healthy option of dessert/fruit, and juice or milk.
- Drop off between 5:30pm-6:45pm (the closer to 6:45 the better). If you need help with delivery, one of our volunteers could make arrangements, as well.
- It is best if the meal is delivered in disposable containers. Especially for the main course, it makes storing and reheating easier. If items are brought in personal containers or equipment, please make sure that they are marked with your name and arranged to be picked up at a later date.

Alternate Ideas:

- You can make this a pot luck idea within your business, have people sign up to bring items!
- Supplies are available from the Hunger Task Force; please tell them you're prepping a meal for the Warming Center. Hunger Task Force is a food bank located at 1240 Clinton St, La Crosse, WI 54603 where you can go and grab items for free for your dinner donation.
- It is not required to make these meals; you can also sponsor a meal through catering!

If you have any questions, please give me a call. I look forward to hearing from you! Also, keep in mind you can use this as a charitable gift write off.

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