



## Hosting Churches

First United Methodist  
Episcopal Church of the Ascension  
First Presbyterian Church  
Christ United Methodist  
First Baptist Church  
Spring Hill Church of Christ  
Breiel Blvd First Church of God  
Healing Word Assembly of God  
Yankee Road First Church of God

## SHALOM Expectations and Criteria for Admission

1. Hours of operation: Intake between 4pm and 5pm at the First United Methodist Church located at 120 S. Broad St. Phone 423-7821.
2. Pick up will be at door # 8 @ 5pm in the back parking lot of FUMC.
3. Dinner will be served at the host church.
4. Breakfast will be served at the host church.
5. No violent, aggressive, destructive, or inappropriate behavior, either directed at oneself or at others. This includes foul language and public intoxication. This will be cause for eviction.
6. No **drugs or alcohol** permitted on church premises. If the intake staff/hosts suspect a guest may be a potential danger to themselves or others, the staff/hosts will take appropriate action to ensure the safety of all. This decision will be made by SHALOM staff and/or hosts. **If a guest is a continuous cause of unrest to guests or staff eviction can result.**
7. **No Smoking** in the church buildings. Supervised smoke breaks will be permitted in designated areas at the discretion of the host church.
8. Men and women/children will sleep in different areas, even if married. Lights out at 11pm. After 11pm, men and women/children will stay in their designated areas.
9. SHALOM hosts must approve all TV programs and movies.
10. No weapons or dangerous materials of any kind allowed. A search of guest's personal belongings may be conducted.
11. Any confiscated items may be given to the Middletown Police @ 425-7700
12. **You are expected to keep yourself and your area clean and orderly.**

13. **You are expected to help with chores if asked by staff.**
14. Staff/hosts are ultimately responsible for all decisions regarding guests, which may include asking guests to leave if necessary.
15. You are not permitted to answer a church phone unless asked.
16. Confidentiality is a must. SHALOM will not release personal information unless authorized to do so.
17. SHALOM is a temporary shelter limited to 30 days. Some counseling is available. You may be asked to participate in the counseling process.
18. No guest will be admitted after 5pm without prior approval from staff/hosts or as escorted by the police. Persons attending AA/NA meetings must provide signed evidence of attendance. **If you do not sign in between 4-5pm you may be out of the program for 30 days.**
19. Personal care items will be issued as needed. New guests will receive these items upon arrival to the program.
20. **One container per person** will be issued to store your personal belongings. **When you enroll in SHALOM you will make arrangements for the rest of your belongings to be stored elsewhere. SHALOM cannot be responsible for your belongings.**
21. Should a parent be taken to the hospital, their minor children must be cared for by the other parent or Child Protective Services will be immediately notified through the Middletown Police @ 425-7700 and taken out of SHALOM. A referral to the police will also be made **anytime** children are left without his/her parent or guardian supervision.
22. Personal guest records are kept in a locked desk. You may be evaluated by a counselor as to your progress to self sufficiency. Extensions beyond the 30 day limit may be allowed if determined by your counselor or SHALOM staff.
23. SHALOM staff will contact local police agencies to determine each guest's prior criminal involvement. Persons with warrants are not permitted in SHALOM.
24. If you have personal transportation, it must be parked in a place designated by the hosting church. You will not be allowed to visit your vehicle during the night.