Men’s Shelter of Charlotte
Policy on Accepting Inmates Released from Jail or Prison

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The Men’s Shelter of Charlotte, Inc. (MSC) operates two emergency shelters for homeless men – campuses at 1210 N. Tryon Street and 3410 Statesville Avenue in Charlotte, N.C.

MSC is an emergency shelter homeless services provider. MSC does not serve as a half-way house or as a transitional housing agency. MSC is not a mental health or substance abuse recovery or treatment facility. MSC is not an acceptable “step-down” option for other systems.

Registered Sex Offenders: MSC no longer accepts registered sex offenders.

Prisons: MSC will not typically accept inmates being released from state or federal prison.

Mecklenburg County Jail: MSC will provide short-term emergency shelter for men being released from Mecklenburg County jail provided they meet MSC’s criteria:

1. Must have been a citizen of Mecklenburg County and homeless at the time of incarceration;
2. Must be homeless at time of release according to MSC’s homeless verification process;
3. Needs (i.e. medical, mental health, substance abuse, behavior) must not be greater than MSC’s emergency shelter can accommodate. MSC will make this determination;
4. Must be willing to participate in shelter services; and
5. MSC must have space to accommodate.

The Men’s Shelter of Charlotte does not shelter men who have any other housing options.

Questions should be directed to MSC’s Program Director, Stephanie Wheless (x131), or Shelter Director, Pam Neal (x119) at 704.334.3187.

The Men’s Shelter of Charlotte reserves the right to deny entrance to anyone who does not meet our definition of homeless and/or does not meet our criteria described above. All admission decisions are made solely at the discretion of the Men’s Shelter of Charlotte.