

Saint Vincent de Paul CARES Emergency Support for Manatee County

Safer Emergency Housing Alternatives (SEHA)

Providing Dignity, Safety, and Stability for Households in Crisis

In response to COVID-19, SVdP CARES launched SEHA (Safer Emergency Housing

Alternatives) to offer a safe and dignified alternative to traditional emergency shelters for individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

What is SEHA?

SEHA uses local hotels as temporary shelter options for people on the path to permanent housing. This scattered-site model:

- Prevents the spread of COVID-19
- Minimizes the trauma associated with congregate shelters or street homelessness
- Expands capacity rapidly without constructing new buildings

Currently in Manatee County:

SEHA is providing hotel-based shelter for households experiencing *unsheltered homelessness* when no other immediate options exist.

- *Up to 60 days of shelter in local hotels*
- Work one-on-one with a case manager
- Connect with resources and move toward permanent housing

How to Access Services:

Contact Saint Vincent de Paul CARES for intake and eligibility at 727.253.7929

Visit our website for more information:

www.svdpsp.org