



Emergency Frozen Meals Schedule and Instructions 2025-2026

Emergency Casserole History

Paul D'Amore was one of the original members of the Sharing Committee when it first began in the early 80's with its primary focus of helping the hungry. In February of 1984, Paul began coordinating volunteers to make casseroles for shelters in the inner city, which he delivered once a month. This led to his collaboration with Sally Corbett, the 1984 Women's Club President, to initiate the idea to have the Guilds provide the casseroles. This was the first partnership of many between the Sharing Committee and the Women's Club. Paul has continued to manage this program since its inception in 1984. The original shelter at St. Sylvester's in Logan Square is now closed and frozen meals are now delivered to the Catholic Charities Madonna House in Wrigleyville. There are over 30 Guilds that provide meals monthly, allowing us to provide over 1500 meals a year. Thank you in advance for your continued support of this incredible mission!

Each month, the Women's Club provides frozen meals to the Emergency Shelter program in support of the Sharing Committee. Each guild is assigned a month and provides **six frozen meals according to the following schedule:**

Frozen Meals Schedule			
2024		2025	
Date	Guilds	Date	Guilds
September 6, 2025	38, 39, 40	January 3, 2026	9, 10, 14
October 4, 2025	1, 2, 3	February 7, 2026	15, 17, 19
November 1, 2025	4, 5, 24	March 7, 2026	20, 21, 22
December 6, 2025	6, 7, 8	April 4, 2026	13, 16, 25
		May 2, 2026	26, 28, 29
		June 6, 2026	30, 31, 32
		July 4, 2026	33, 34
		August 1, 2026	35, 36, 37
		September 5, 2026	38, 39, 40

Each Guild will drop off the meals to the Sharing room freezer. Fred Donnelly has again generously volunteered to be our liaison with the Madonna House in Chicago and will be delivering the meals.



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Instructions for drop off to the Sharing Room

- Please drop off the casseroles no later than the Tuesday prior to your Guild's scheduled date.
- On your Guild's scheduled date, Fred Donnelly will take the casseroles from the Sharing Room and deliver them to the Madonna House.
- Each guild is responsible for six frozen meals, serving 4-6 people.
- Meals should be store-bought and frozen. Items do not have to be traditional casseroles. Some examples are lasagnas, pasta meals, enchiladas, pot pies, etc. Costco and Gordon Food Service Store have many options.
- Cooking instructions and contents should be clearly marked.
- Label each Casserole: **Emergency Shelter, Guild #_____**
- Place the casseroles in the low white freezer on the north wall of the Sharing Room in the Lafayette Building.

Please email Tanya Laskowski with any questions olphwcvicepresident@gmail.com.

An email reminder will be sent to each guild prior to the assigned month.

Thank you!