



# Dayspring Women and Children Shelter

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## Location

213 North Bowman Avenue

Danville, Il 61832

## Hours of operation

Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 2 pm & 6:00 pm – 10pm.

Saturdays and Sundays intakes are at 1 pm.

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## Point of Contact

**Director:** Christine Cooper

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Pastor Christine Cooper is a certified minister with over 30 years of experience. She started as a director in 2019. She is a mentor and a leader that gives guidance and encouragement that impacts the life of women, children and young adults.





# Danville Rescue Mission

## Brief history of the organization

The Danville Rescue Mission was founded in 1980 to provide care and needs of homeless men in Danville, Illinois. The organization is part of Danville Rescue Mission. Dayspring opened its doors on Sunday, January 22nd of the year 2017 (Danville Rescue Mission – Danville Illinois, n.d.).

## Founder of the organization

**Jerry and Linda Jones**

2017 Director: Wendy Coe

2017 Asst. Director: Katie Gibson

## Funding

Dayspring is not funded by the government. The shelter is solely financed and supported by generous donations, grants, and fundraising events.

4 Bedrooms

2 full bathrooms

Play area

1,922 square feet



# Mission statement, philosophy, and purpose of the organization

“We are an Illinois non-profit corporate organization committed to helping the homeless and disadvantaged. Our goal is to see clients rehabilitated, restored to their families, employed, and living productive lives in the community through the power of the Gospel applied to their lives.”

# Dayspring Staff

Director of Dayspring - Mrs. Christine Cooper  
Assistant Director - Wendy Hargrove  
PM Supervisor  
Night Manager



# Services offered at Dayspring

The services offered at Dayspring include:

Housing assistance

Job applications

Medical card and cash assistance/ budgeting classes

Domestic violence programs through Cross Point

Drug recovery programs

Parenting classes

Spiritual classes

Community Action - helps with paying bills and car repairs

# Is the location clean, friendly and in good condition?

The location has been newly painted and remodeled.

The environment was very friendly and clean.

They staff welcomed us with open arms and allowed us to do a walk through to see the rooms.

They have a security system in place with cameras for safety.



## Is this a long- or short-term service?

There is a 30 day probationary period, if they stay and follow the rules they may stay for an additional 5 months.

In special cases they may be allowed to stay for up to a year.

# Is the location safe, easy to get to, and is there transportation offered?

The location of this facility is safe. It is located on the East side of Danville, Illinois. There are a few food places, gas stations and a grocery store nearby.

The facility receives monthly bus cards from people from the community who have donated. The workers will transport the women and children if needed with their company van.



# Population served?

Majority of the population served are women and children who experience homelessness, domestic violence, mental illness, or drug abuse.



## Do clients need to meet criteria for service?

- Clients must be drug free
- No domestic violence case
- Cannot be a sex offender
- Cannot have an arson charge in their background
- No male can enter the VCR, only ages 10 and under
- No woman can enter under the age of 18
- Must have a current drivers license or ID card to enter
- Cannot be on oxygen or using insulin
- Must be able to climb stairs without assistance



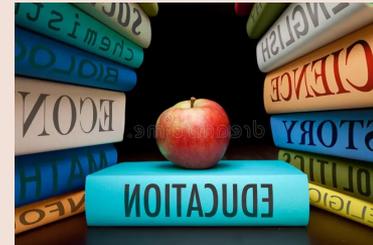
# How many people are served annually?

Mrs. Cooper told us that they roughly have 14 women/ children every 3 months. Which is 56 women/ children annually.



# What is one way the organizations might be helped or improved?

One way this organization might be improved is more education. Mrs. Cooper said she would love for more of the community to be aware of the facility and what they have to offer. Her motto she told us was “the more you know, the more you can help”.



# How is this organization relevant to the nursing profession?

This organization is relevant to the nursing practice because they are caring for their clients to get them back to adequate health.

This is done by providing education, therapeutic communication, compassion, and committed care to their clients, just as nurses do.



# Service to the Organization

## How did you serve the organization?

Our group cooked meals, talked with residents, played with the children, and donated items.

## How can others in the community serve this organization?

People in the community can serve this organization by volunteering their time to help out this organization and they can also donate supplies for daily living.

## How did your service impact the organization?

Our group impacted this organization by providing them with education.

We taught them about proper hygiene, life skills, proper nutrition, and much more.



# Future Needs

The future needs for both the organization and the recipients is supplies.

This organization relies on donations for their supplies.

- Food
- Clothing
- Hygiene products
- Finances
- Education
- Volunteers



# Future directions and goals of the organization?

The future goal of the organization is to continue to grow and expand.

The shelter now can only hold so many residents however, with increased awareness and donations this organization can continue to expand and help more women and children throughout the entire county.



# References

Danville rescue mission – Danville, Illinois. (n.d.). <https://www.danvillemission.com/>