



Walk a Mile in Their Shoes

Winter Awareness Walk for Homelessness and Healthcare
hosted by Project HOPE

Saturday, February 24th 8:00am at the Soup Kitchen of Greater Wheeling

Project HOPE is a Street Medicine team that operates under the auspices of the Wheeling-Ohio County Health Department. The team cares for the homeless population in Wheeling, WV by going on rounds to encampments, under bridges, and shelters and providing medical care. HOPE stands for the Homeless Outreach Partnership Effort.

Project HOPE is hosting a Winter Walk to raise awareness for homelessness and street medicine. The event is called Walk a Mile in THEIR Shoes because walkers are going to experience part of what homeless men, women, and children experience every day - walking through the city in freezing weather and winter elements trying to stay warm because shelter may not be available.

Project HOPE's team members will lead the walk through downtown Wheeling past community partners, all of whom work together to care for our homeless population. Following the walk, walkers are invited to join the Project HOPE team at the Soup Kitchen for breakfast and discussion.

Register at LocalRaces.com by searching for *Walk a Mile in Their Shoes* or by going directly to this link: <https://localraces.com/projecthopewheeling/walk-a-mile-in-their-shoes>

For more information on Project HOPE or questions, visit us on Facebook by searching for Project HOPE Wheeling or by going directly to <https://www.facebook.com/projecthopewheeling/>

Individuals with questions can also call the Wheeling-Ohio County Health Department and leave a message for Project HOPE staff at (304) 234-3682.

Community Partners highlighted during walk: Soup Kitchen of Greater Wheeling, Catholic Charities West Virginia, Northwood Homeless Shelter, Salvation Army Homeless Shelter, House of Hagar Catholic Worker House, Youth Services System Winter Freeze Shelter, Wheeling-Ohio County Health Department, Wheeling Clinic, Wheeling PD, Ohio County Sheriff's Office

Additional Institutions significant to the homeless in Wheeling highlighted during the walk: Ziegenfelder Frozen Treat Company, Greater Wheeling Coalition for the Homeless, Neely's Grocery, Convenient, Grow Ohio Valley, WVDHHR, Ohio County Library, Wheeling Health Right