

Men's Auxiliary Shelter at the National Western Complex

A new men's shelter is now open at the National Western Complex. The new shelter provides more space for guests to distance themselves from one another to follow public health recommendations. The goal is to reduce harm among people experiencing homelessness and provide greater access to public health resources.

This new shelter is located at the National Western Complex, Hall of Education (north of Interstate 70, at E. 47th Ave. and Humboldt St.). It is a partnership between the City and County of Denver and shelter and service providers.

This is not a mandatory shelter. This is an optional shelter for men to use if they wish. The shelter will remain open for the duration of the COVID-19 state of emergency. The shelter at the National Western Complex is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Accommodations and services available include:

- Three meals daily
- Medical screening
- Primary mental and behavioral health care
- Restrooms and showers
- Wireless internet
- Cell phone charging stations
- Laundry services
- Limited storage
- Limited pet kennels
- Public transportation access

Medical Screening

The Colorado Coalition for the Homeless Stout Street Health Center is offering medical care at the National Western shelter site. All guests will receive a health screening when they enter the building. Guests with signs of illness will be referred for medical care and/or sheltering at another location.

Access

Guests can access the shelter from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., which is when medical screening is available. The shelter is open 24 hours a day but can only be accessed during the 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. timeframe.

Shelter is operating near capacity. Walk-up access is available for guests to access the shelter until capacity is reached.

Transportation

RTD bus route 48 provides access between the National Western Complex shelter and downtown. There is currently no fare required for RTD buses.