



Athens Area Stand Down

Friday, Oct. 1, 2021 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Athens County Fairgrounds | 286 W. Union Street, Athens

Dear Service Providers,

You are being contacted to let you know we will be once again having a community Stand Down. This will be our 6th annual event and hope to make it our best effort.

A table and chair will be provided to service providers and we are following all COVID-19 regulations during this event. If you choose to provide your own chair and table, then please let me know when you RSVP.

Please email Nancy at nancy.stotts@jfs.ohio.gov if you are planning on attending this event.

What is a Stand Down?

“Stand Down” is a military term that refers to taking a break from being on the battlefield. Stand Down events refer to community-based programs that help those who are homeless or at risk of homelessness “combat” their problems and rebuild their lives. Specialized services are provided exclusively to veterans. Many social service agencies will be on hand to provide free information and resources to **both veterans and non-veterans.**

Why should we have one?

We are hosting this event because the need is great. Our local human service agencies and community organizations tell us the need for helping both our homeless population and those at risk of homelessness is immense and only seems to increase yearly.

This event is only possible through the donations, services, and partnerships that we have with agencies and individual community members. The planning goes on for most of the year to make sure that the event is more successful than the year before.

We appreciate your consideration and look forward to working with you!

Best regards,

Athens Area Stand Down Planning Committee