

SOBERING SERVICES

Overview

Charleston Center's Sobering Services provides a safe space for men and women who are intoxicated by drugs or alcohol.

Sobering Services provides an alternative for law enforcement for petty crimes related to inebriation or public intoxication.

It is a safe space for individuals to sober up.

Sobering Services is for men and women who...

- * *Are 18 years of age*
- * *Appear to be under the influence of drugs or alcohol*
- * *Agree voluntarily to enter Sobering Services*
- * *Have no active bleeding needing significant wound care*
- * *Can independently perform activities of daily living*
- * *Are not violent, aggressive or belligerent*
- * *Are not on the National Sex Offender Registry*
- * *Are not exhibiting seizure activity*
- * *Have medically stable vital signs*

Services Provided

- * Screening, brief intervention, and referral to treatment if desired
- * Safe, short-term medical monitoring
- * Access to clinical counselors, peer support specialists and nursing staff who are available to discuss any needs or concerns
- * A comfortable space to rest or sleep
- * Showers
- * Laundry facilities
- * Snacks and hydration
- * Phone access to coordinate transportation upon departure

Other Information

Sobering Services operates 24-hours per day, 365 days per year.

Individuals are free to leave when they feel ready.

If individuals become medically unstable or exhibit concerning symptoms, they may be referred to an emergency department. Charleston Center staff would facilitate that transfer.

There is no cost for Sobering Services.

**FOR INFORMATION
AND REFERRALS**

24-HOUR HELPLINE

843-722-0100

**cchelp@charlestoncounty.org
<http://cc.charlestoncounty.org>**



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