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The following request is made by Southwestern Child Development Commission, Inc. on behalf of the Cold Weather Shelter Program with support from Jackson Neighbors in Need.

The Cold Weather Shelter has to date served 56 people, 22 children. As of February 8th an average of \$800 a night was being spent to house people. The Cold Weather Shelter negotiated with Blue Ridge at the beginning of the season to pay \$70-75 per room. Based on the past two years of data, March usually has a decline (by half) of the number of rooms needed. Currently 10 rooms are being used. If those rooms remain full from February 13 through February 28 at an average of \$72.50 per night that will be \$10,500. If the rooms needed decline gradually throughout March by an average of 2 rooms a week funds needed for March will be \$12,900. Thus the total amount needed for the remaining month and a half of shelter costs for the Cold Weather Shelter is \$23,400. Funds would be administered by Southwestern Child Development Commission. NOTE: If the weather is colder in April than normal funds will be needed for shelter as it has been the policy of the Cold Weather Shelter to shelter people in below freezing temperatures, however no past data exists to estimate this cost.

Details:

February 13 – February 28

15 days X 10 rooms X \$72.5 average cost = \$10,500

March 1- March 4

4 days X 10 rooms X \$72.5 average cost = \$2,900

March 5 – March 12

7 days X 8 room X \$ 72.5 average cost = \$4,060

March 13- March 20

7 days X 6 rooms X \$ 72.5 average cost = \$3,045

March 21 – March 31

10 days X 4 rooms X \$ 72.5 average cost = \$2,900

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