



Hope spreads its wings.

Atlanta's airport increasingly became a refuge for the city's homeless, especially during cold weather with the terminal sometimes filled with homeless people overnight and into the early morning. Displaced people occupy the airport in part because they evade being in a place considered "a shelter." Even more un-housed persons seek overnight shelter at Hartsfield-Jackson in cold weather months. Nightly 150-300 homeless people sleep inside Atlanta Hartsfield-Jackson Airport especially in terminal atriums and food courts, seeking refuge after the MARTA trains stop service for the day, Atlanta City Council passed resolutions urging airport leadership to implement outreach, support, allocate emergency funds (\$500,000) to create a task force to assist unhoused individuals at the airport—emphasizing service, not criminalization. The airport continues to actively collaborate with Hope Atlanta, other nonprofits and city agencies to establish outreach services and bring structure to how homelessness is addressed on-site.



Travelers Aid: Not Just Free Tickets

By BILL SCHNEIDER
A Michigan family distressed with the loss of their only son, who was killed in the Vietnam War, found a way to get him home. They received a letter from the Travelers Aid Society of Atlanta, Georgia, which had been notified by the military that the young man was to be discharged from the service. The family was told that they could get a free ticket home for the young man and his wife and children. The Travelers Aid Society of Atlanta, Georgia, is a nonprofit organization that has been helping people in need since 1887. It provides a wide range of services, including food, clothing, and financial assistance. The organization is currently facing a budget crisis, and is seeking donations to help it continue its work.

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Atlanta Hartsfield-Jackson Airport

Airport Expands Information Office

By CHRIS JACKSON
Staff Writer
Ever get lost in an airport? Travelers passing through Hartsfield International Airport will find an expanded information and direction office staffed by Travelers Aid volunteers beginning in the middle of October, the United Way agency announced.
Travelers Aid of Metropolitan Atlanta, Inc. is organizing the service to help answer questions that perplex travelers as they come and go in the airport.
Travelers Aid has been providing such services for travelers at both the airport and Greyhound Station for a number of years and with the ever increasing traffic at the airport the need for expanded service has surfaced. Mrs. Mortenson will coordinate the service, which hopes to enlist the volunteer help from some 50 men or women.
The planning sessions lasting three hours and a tour of the airport terminal are planned to prepare those participating in the work.
Preliminary plans call for three volunteers at a time to be on duty working three-hour shifts starting at 8 a.m. and lasting 10 p.m. during weekdays.
A Travelers Aid social worker will be on duty to aid the volunteers when the need arises.
Mrs. Mortenson plans to schedule meetings with churches and civic and social organizations to enlist volunteers interested in working with the Travelers Aid.
Anyone interested in getting with the Travelers Aid may reach Mrs. Mortenson at 323-0205.

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By JOAN JACKSON
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A Lamp for Wayfaring Strangers

At Hartsfield, Traveler's Aid is a Way Station for Those in Trouble
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Mary Clark

By DAVID VALIN
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Mary Clark, a former volunteer for Travelers Aid, says she enjoys helping people in need. She has been volunteering for several years and has helped many people in need. She says that the most rewarding part of her work is seeing the smiles on the faces of the people she helps. She also says that she has learned a lot from her experience and that she is grateful for the opportunity to help others.

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In 1960, the median home cost \$11,900, while the median income was \$5,600, indicating a price-to-income ratio of 2.1.

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