



Seafarers International House

Seafarers International House (SIH) is the Lutheran response to the urgent needs of vulnerable seafarers and immigrants.

SIH serves those in need in the ports of Albany, Baltimore, Duluth, Houston, New Haven, New York & New Jersey, and in New York City.

In 2025, SIH served 19,519 people. This includes boarding 1,347 vessels, visiting 14,078 seafarers and delivering 3,405 Christmas-at-Sea satchels assembled by volunteers. SIH also provided 3,679 lodging nights and social services to seafarers and legal asylum seekers in Manhattan.

2 million seafarers (think people on container-ships) bringing us 90% of the goods we use. They work between 6 to 9 months away from loved ones.



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