



MEDIA ALERT

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COOK COUNTY WARMING CENTERS OPEN AS TEMPS DROP

Municipalities around Cook County have opened warming centers for area residents to safely cope with the sub-freezing temperatures the region is experiencing:

Township	Hours of Operation	Address	City	Transport
Berwyn	9:00am-9:00pm M-THU 9:00am-5:00pm FRI-SAT 1:00pm-5:00pm SUN	2701 S. Harlem	Berwyn	No
Berwyn	24/7	6401 W. 31st St.	Berwyn	No
Berwyn	24/7	6616 W. 16th St.	Berwyn	No
Berwyn	7:00am-9:00pm M-F	6501 W. 31st St.	Berwyn	No
Berwyn	9:00am-5:00pm M-THU 9:00am-3:00pm FRI	3701 Scolville Ave.	Berwyn	No
Bloom	8:00am-4:30pm M-F	425 S. Halsted St.	Chicago Heights	No
Bremen	9:00am-5:00pm M-F	16361 S. Kedzie Parkway	Markham	No
Calumet	8:00am-4:00pm M-F	12633 Ashland Ave.	Calumet Park	Yes
Cicero	8:00am-8:00pm M-F	4949 W. Cermak Road	Cicero	No
Cicero	8:00am-8:00pm M-F	5444 W. 34th Ave.	Cicero	No
Cicero	8:00am-8:00pm M-F	2250 S. 49th Ave.	Cicero	No
Elk Grove	9:00am-4:00pm M-F	2400 S. Arlington Heights Road	Arlington Heights	No
Hanover	8:30am-4:30pm M/W/F 8:30am-8:00pm TUE/THU 8:30am-12:30pm SAT	240 S. Route 59	Bartlett	Yes
Lemont	9:00am-4:00pm M-F	1115 Warner Ave.	Lemont	Yes
Leyden	6:00am-9:00pm M-F 9:00am-3:00pm SAT	2620 N. Mannheim Road	Franklin Park	No
Maine	9:00am-5:00pm M-F	1700 Ballard Road	Park Ridge	No
Niles	9:00am-5:00pm M-F	5255 Main St.	Skokie	No
Norwood Park	9:00am-4:00pm M-THU 9:00am-3:00pm FRI	7833 W. Lawrence Ave.	Norridge	No
Oak Park	8:00am-5:00pm M-F	130 S. Oak Park Ave.	Oak Park	Yes
Orland	8:00am-4:30pm M/W/THU/F 8:00am-6:00pm TUE	14807 S. Ravinia Ave.	Orland Park	Yes
Palatine	8:30am-7:00pm M 8:30am-4:00pm TUE-FRI	721 S. Quentin Road	Palatine	No
Palos	8:30am-4:30pm M-F	10802 S. Roberts Road	Palos Hills	No
Proviso	8:30am-4:30pm M-F	4565 Harrison St.	Hillside	No
Rich	9:00am-4:00pm M-F	22013 Governors Highway	Richton Park	No
River Forest	8:00am-8:00pm M-F	8020 W. Madison St.	River Forest	No
Riverside	9:00am-3:00pm M-F	27 Riverside Road	Riverside	No

Schaumburg	8:30am-10:00pm M-F	One Illinois Blvd.	Hoffman Estates	No
Stickney	8:30am-4:00pm M-F	7745 S. Leamington	Burbank	No
Thornton	9:00am-4:00pm M-F	333 E. 162nd St.	South Holland	No
Wheeling	9:00am-9:00pm M-F	1616 N. Arlington Heights Road	Arlington Heights	No
Worth	8:30am-4:30pm M-F	11601 S. Pulaski Road	Alsip	No

The list of warming centers can also be found on the Cook County Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHSEM) website: <http://cookcountyhomelandsecurity.org/cook-county-warming-centers>.

Residents should always follow these tips during cold weather to keep themselves and their families safe:

- Never use your oven for heat.
- Never bring charcoal or gas grills indoors (they are a carbon monoxide hazard).
- Make sure all portable heaters are unplugged when not in use.
- Use electric space heaters with extreme caution – avoid placing them near curtains or other flammable materials and turn them off before going to bed.
- Keep heat at adequate levels or leave faucets open with a slight drip to prevent pipes from freezing.
- Keep moving. Your body generates its own heat when you engage in physical activities.

For more tips, visit the DHSEM website: www.cookcountyhomelandsecurity.org.

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