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Warming Center Locations

The County of Madera, City of Madera, and City of Chowchilla have established the following locations as Warming Centers during times of extreme winter cold. The Centers will be open the days and times of the week as indicated on the list provided below. Other Centers may be opened on an “as need” basis and will be announced through the Sheriff’s Office of Emergency Services. Warming Centers are closed on holidays unless otherwise indicated.

COUNTY LOCATIONS: For more information please contact the Sheriff’s Office of Emergency Services at (559) 675-7770.

CITY OF MADERA: For more information on locations, please contact City Administration at (559) 661-5400 (during regular business hours) or the Madera Police Department at (559) 675-4200 after regular business hours. City of Madera residents may contact Dial-a-Ride at (559) 661-7433 for transportation. Center hours will be extended as needed and announced through the local media.

CITY OF CHOWCHILLA: For more information on locations, please contact the City Community Relations Office at (559) 665-8615, Extension 110 (during regular business hours); and the Chowchilla Police Department at (559) 665-8600 after regular business hours. During business hours, residents may contact CATX for transportation at (559) 665-8655.

Madera County Valley Locations

Name	Address	Days	Times
Rancho Hills Senior Center	37739 Berkshire Drive, Madera, CA 93638 559-645-4864	Monday to Friday	9am to 1pm



Madera County Mountain Locations

Name	Address	Days	Times
Coarsegold Community Center	35540 Highway 41, Coarsegold, CA 93614 559-683-7953	Monday to Friday	10am to 1pm
Yosemite Lakes Park Clubhouse	30250 Yosemite Springs Parkway, Coarsegold, CA 93614 559-658-7466	Monday to Friday	8am to 8pm
		Saturday and Sunday	8am to 8pm
Sierra Senior Center	49111 Cinder Lane, Oakhurst, CA 93644 559-658-2200	Monday to Friday	9am to 2pm
		First 3 Saturday of the Month	9am to 4pm
Grace Community Church	56442 Road 200, North Fork, CA 93643 559-877-2346	Monday to Friday	10am to 1pm

City of Madera Locations

Name	Address	Days	Times
Frank Bergon Senior Center	238 South "D" Street, Madera, CA 93638 559-673-4293	Monday to Friday	8am to 2:30pm
Pan Am Community Center	703 East Sherwood Way, Madera, CA 93638 559-675-2095	Monday to Friday	8am to 8pm

Cold Weather Tips

<http://www.redcross.org/news/article/Top-Ten-Red-Cross-Cold-Weather-Safety-Tips>

As temperatures drop this winter, the American Red Cross offers ten steps people can take to stay safe during the cold weather.

1. Layer up! Wear layers of lightweight clothing to stay warm. Gloves and a hat will help prevent losing your body heat.
2. Don't forget your furry friends. Bring pets indoors. If they can't come inside, make sure they have enough shelter to keep them warm and that they can get to unfrozen water.
3. Remember the three feet rule. If you are using a space heater, place it on a level, hard surface and keep anything flammable at least three feet away – things such as paper, clothing, bedding, curtains or rugs.
4. Requires supervision – Turn off space heaters and make sure fireplace embers are out before leaving the room or going to bed.
5. Don't catch fire! If you are using a fireplace, use a glass or metal fire screen large enough to catch sparks and rolling logs.



6. Protect your pipes. Run water, even at a trickle, to help prevent your pipes from freezing. Open the kitchen and bathroom cabinet doors to allow warmer air to circulate around the plumbing. Be sure to move any harmful cleaners and household chemicals out of the reach of children. Keep the garage doors closed if there are water lines in the garage.
7. Better safe than sorry. Keep the thermostat at the same temperature day and night. Your heating bill may be a little higher, but you could avoid a more costly repair job if your pipes freeze and burst.
8. The kitchen is for cooking. Never use a stove or oven to heat your home.
9. Use generators outside. Never operate a generator inside the home, including in the basement or garage.
10. Knowledge is power. Don't hook a generator up to the home's wiring. The safest thing to do is to connect the equipment you want to power directly to the outlets on the generator.