

The following is a list of cold weather shelters and related information for the extreme snow/ice/cold event being predicted for the Kansas City Metropolitan area. Please also consult the Ray Way Resource Directory on this same site ([www.jacksoncountysoc.com](http://www.jacksoncountysoc.com)) for additional possible resources. Please be aware though that many ordinarily scheduled distributions and events will not be happening because of the weather. As things clear, people are advised to call ahead when possible to see if events are back on.

### **Shelter/Other Resources and Information**

- The Ray Way Resource Directory has many possible resources in particular under the “Cold Weather” category. This can be downloaded at: [www.jacksoncountysoc.com](http://www.jacksoncountysoc.com)
- Please see the attached information about cold weather shelters, courtesy of Jennifer Sutherlin with MARC
- [Winter Weather Guide | Johnson County Kansas](#)
- <https://www.kmbc.com/article/johnson-county-opens-warming-center-for-homeless-as-arctic-air-approaches/63317071>
- <https://www.wycokck.org/Engage-With-Us/News-articles/2025-Cold-Weather-Shelter>
- [Warming Centers 2.0](#)
- <https://www.kmbc.com/article/kansas-city-warming-centers-guide-cold-weather-shelters/63314861>
- <https://www.jacksongov.org/Government/Departments/Emergency-Preparedness/Winter-Weather-Preparedness>
- <https://www.jacksongov.org/Residents/Assistance-Programs/Warming-Centers>

**\*\*\*It is best to call and/or check social media prior to heading out to any shelter or warming center to ensure that it is in operation, spaces still available, and any requirements (e.g., some shelters are all male, do not allow pets, etc.). Because travel is likely to be treacherous, events that are normally scheduled such as clothing and food distributions will most likely be canceled. Something to be aware of and keep in mind as many of the people that we serve depend on events that will likely not be happening. \*\*\***

### **Some general tips for the extreme cold are:**

- [https://sema.dps.mo.gov/plan\\_and\\_prepare/winter\\_weather.php/1000](https://sema.dps.mo.gov/plan_and_prepare/winter_weather.php/1000)
- <https://www.ready.gov/winter-ready>
- <https://www.cdc.gov/winter-weather/prevention/preventing-frostbite.html>
- <https://www.weather.gov/safety/winter-before> and <https://www.weather.gov/media/arx/winter/WinterPrepare.pdf>

### **Outage Reports:**

- <https://www.evergy.com/help-center/outages>
- [https://www.independencemo.gov/government/city-departments/power-and-light/power-outages#:~:text=To%20Report%20an%20Outage%20Call%20\(816\)%20325%2D7550&text=In%20order%20to%20identify%20the,information%20system%20for%20that%20address.](https://www.independencemo.gov/government/city-departments/power-and-light/power-outages#:~:text=To%20Report%20an%20Outage%20Call%20(816)%20325%2D7550&text=In%20order%20to%20identify%20the,information%20system%20for%20that%20address.)
- <https://www.gardnerkansas.gov/government/departments-and-divisions-/utilities-department/electric-division/electric-distribution/electric-service-outages>

- <https://www.bpu.com/forhome/electricservice/reportoutage.aspx>

### **Frozen Pipe Prevention:**

- <https://protectyourpipes.org/frozen-pipes>
- <https://www.redcross.org/get-help/how-to-prepare-for-emergencies/types-of-emergencies/winter-storm/frozen-pipes.html?srsId=AfmBOorzS5oasxFTSqcxlQVm03wLismkkiJATHqPDgAuYe-a-x9m2MUY>

### **Possible Assistance with Snow Removal:**

- In KCMO: [https://www.kcmo.gov/Home/Components/News/News/2255/1746?trk=public\\_post-text&toggle=all&npage=2#:~:text=Kansas%20City%20is%20kicking%20off,to%20be%20a%20Snow%20Angel](https://www.kcmo.gov/Home/Components/News/News/2255/1746?trk=public_post-text&toggle=all&npage=2#:~:text=Kansas%20City%20is%20kicking%20off,to%20be%20a%20Snow%20Angel) and <https://www.kcmo.gov/programs-initiatives/snowangels>

### **Cold Weather Health Issues:**

- <https://allergyasthmanetwork.org/news/cold-air-asthma-in-winter/>
- <https://newsroom.heart.org/news/snow-shoveling-cold-temperatures-combine-for-perfect-storm-of-heart-health-hazards>
- <https://www.healthline.com/health/heart-attack/snow-and-heart-attacks#reducing-your-risk>
- <https://www.childrensmercy.org/contentassets/ccf2badf665c4bb8ade5f087e6a54acf/asthma-booklet.pdf>

### **Safety Issues:**

- <https://www.fema.gov/blog/7-winter-safety-tips-older-adults>
- <https://www.childrensmercy.org/parent-ish/2024/12/winter-car-seat-safety/>
- <https://www.usfa.fema.gov/prevention/life-safety-hazards/carbon-monoxide/>
- <https://my.clevelandclinic.org/health/diseases/15663-carbon-monoxide-poisoning>
- [https://www.redcross.org/get-help/how-to-prepare-for-emergencies/types-of-emergencies/power-outage/safe-generator-use.html?srsId=AfmBOooZ2G7Nu76XjieYa4m\\_bqwvt\\_gZQHyaUTfbRuERDSnKh-eac\\_Zd](https://www.redcross.org/get-help/how-to-prepare-for-emergencies/types-of-emergencies/power-outage/safe-generator-use.html?srsId=AfmBOooZ2G7Nu76XjieYa4m_bqwvt_gZQHyaUTfbRuERDSnKh-eac_Zd)
- <https://www.kshb.com/news/local-news/charlies-house-in-kansas-city-takes-initiative-to-prevent-house-fires-caused-by-space-heaters#:~:text=Keep%20a%203%20ft.,power%20strips%20with%20space%20heaters>
- <https://www.charlieshouse.org/> (especially important when kids and adults may be spending more time indoors because of the extreme cold)!

The weather forecasts will likely continue to evolve as we get closer to Saturday however, please be advised of the following resource for up-to-date information from the NWS:

We will be posting a video briefing to our NWSChat/Slack channel (#wfo-kansas-city-mo) around 2:30 pm CST Friday (1/3). For those without a NWSChat/Slack account, the video briefing will also be available on our YouTube Channel ([youtube.com/NWSKansasCity](https://youtube.com/NWSKansasCity)).

For the latest forecast information, see our DSS Packet on our website.

<https://www.weather.gov/media/eax/DssPacket.pdf>

### Cold Weather Shelters

Level 1: Between Dec. 1 and March 1

- Hope Faith, 705 Virginia Ave, KC, MO 64106, 816-471-4673 (men) o Opens at 6:00pm, line up at 5:30pm
- Hope City, 5101 E. 24th St, KC, MO 64127, 816-241-9931 (women) o Busing from Hope Faith between 5:00-6:00p
- Unity Southeast, 3421 E. Meyer Blvd, KC, MO 64132, 816-841-1402 o Accepts from 9:00pm-6:00am
- True Light, 717 E. 31st St, KC, MO 64109, 816-531-1300 (women) o Call for availability, be there by 3:00pm to reserve a bed
- Project 10/20, 9400 Pflumm, Lenexa, KS 66215, 913-219-3347 o Call for availability, shelter open 6:00pm-8:00am

Level 2: Between Nov. 1 and April 1, 32 degrees or below

- Shelter KC, 1520 Cherry St, KC, MO 64108, 816-421-7643 (men) o First come, first served from 9:00am-5:00pm
- City Union Mission, 1108 E. 10th St, KC, MO 64106, 816-474-9380 (men) o First come, first serve, shelter open 6:00pm-8:00am

Level 3: Between Dec. 1 and April 1, 25 degrees or below

- A Turning Point, two churches in Northland KC, 913-525-6889 o Open nightly if under 15 degrees. Call for availability and location of shelter, able to stay overnight 6:00pm-7:00am.
- Crosslines, 550 State Ave, KC, KS 66101, 913-214-1104 o Call for availability, shelter open from 6:00pm-8:00am