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PRESS RELEASE

Starting in the early morning hours of Friday, January 23rd, 2026, a cold arctic air mass will settle into the region. Midland County is expected to experience dangerously low temperatures. High temperatures expected to only reach the single digits and low temperatures below zero. Wind chills are expected to make it feel as low as -5 to -20 degrees Fahrenheit over the next few days. While the region has already been experiencing cold temperatures, the National Weather Service noted this upcoming weekend is a rare and potentially near record-setting cold event. To prevent cold-related illness such as hypothermia and frostbite, people are encouraged to remain indoors when possible as a wind chill of -20° Fahrenheit will cause frostbite in just 30 minutes.

The following resources will be available as listed below for those needing assistance in staying warm:

- Open Door will have hot meals daily from 11:30am to 1:30pm. Their dining room will be a short-term warming shelter. All are welcome to stop in to warm up and grab a cup of coffee.
- Greater Midland Community Centers:
 - Will be open normal business hours. If you are need of a shower, please visit any of the following locations: Community Center, Tennis Center, North Midland Family Center and Coleman Family Center (even without a membership).
- West Midland Family Center will be operating at normal hours.



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There will also be other community resources available during the day operating during normal business hours. If you lose heat in your home or cannot keep your home warm enough, please consider staying with neighbors, friends or family. If you have no place to go, please dial 2-1-1 for potential shelter resources. Overnight shelters will be determined on the as needed basis.

If you must be outside, please make sure to bundle up and dress in layers, keeping as much skin (hands and face) protected from the elements.

Please make sure to stay indoors as much as possible. To help your home retain heat consider hanging blankets in front of windows, keeping blinds and curtains closed.

Wrap up in a heavy blanket or add additional blankets to bed when sleeping. If using an alternate heat source, please provide plenty of space around the heater to prevent fires and never run the heater while sleeping. Always unplug the heater while not in use.

Address of locations stated above:

- Open Door: 412 W. Buttles, Midland, MI 48640 (City of Midland)
- Community Center: 2205 Jefferson Ave, Midland, MI 48640 (City of Midland)
- Tennis Center: 900 E Wackerly St, Midland, MI 48642 (City of Midland)
- North Midland Family Center: 2601 E Shearer Rd, Midland, MI 48642 (Mills Township)
- Coleman Family Center: 4839 N Coleman Schools Dr, Coleman, MI 48618
- West Midland Family Center: 4011 W Isabella Rd, Shepherd, MI 48883 (Greendale Township)

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