

# EMERGENCY WEATHER SHELTER PLAN



## PREPARING FOR POTENTIAL WEATHER EMERGENCY

In addition to the increased overflow capacity that is ongoing throughout the winter (provided by the shelters), the City of Fort Collins works with community partners to respond to emergency weather situations with more shelter capacity and transportation options.



## EMERGENCY WEATHER SHELTER PLAN TRIGGERS

The Office of Emergency Management advises the City Manager's Office and helps track weather forecasts to prepare for potential activation. The Emergency Weather Shelter Plan is triggered if any of the following three events occur:



### SEVERE WINTER STORM

Severe winter storm warning declared by the National Weather Service



### SEVERE WIND CHILL ADVISORY

Severe wind chill advisory declared by the National Weather Service



### SEVERE COLD

Forecast predicts temperatures below 0 degrees Fahrenheit

## NEXT STEPS:

1

City Manager Declares Emergency Weather Shelter Plan Activation.

2

City Council and partners are notified via email. Check out City website home page (fcgov.com) for up-to-date information.

3

Shelter capacity is increased by:

- Existing shelters maximize their space to fit as many as possible.
- Murphy Center and local churches provide evening warming shelters.
- Additional overflow options for overnight shelter are secured and community resources are maximized to support those seeking shelter.

**People needing shelter should go to the shelters as planned. Transportation to overflow shelter will be coordinated from there.**

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Transportation: Transfort provides transportation between shelters and warming centers.



## VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!

If you, your church or organization is interested in getting involved please contact the Murphy Center:

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