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Winter Shelters Opening & Other Resources

Due to the next 48 hours of inclement weather—high winds and extreme cold—measures are being taken to provide assistance for community members.

An emergency Warming Shelter will be open on standby for those that need it beginning today at 11:00 AM until Monday, February 1 at 11:00 AM. The maximum capacity is 5-10 people. It is located in the Meeting Room of the West Tisbury Library (1042 State Road West Tisbury, MA 02575). **You must call the Dukes County Communications Center at 1-508-693-1212 or the West Tisbury Police Department at 1-508-693-0020 in order to be admitted inside and to request more information.**

The Homeless Shelter will be extending its hours to 24/7 as long as the temperatures remain below 28 °F in order to accommodate those that are in need. The maximum capacity is approximately 13 people. They are located at the Old Whaling Church (89 Main Street Edgartown, MA 02539). Contact them at 1-978-273-0533 for more information.

American Red Cross is ready to help assist with emergency supplies, frozen pipes, hotel vouchers for families without power, and more. They can be contacted by phone at 1-800-564-1234 for issues caused by disaster.

Masks, social distancing, and handwashing are still important! Please continue to follow all of the COVID-19 safety guidelines in order to protect yourself and the community, especially if you are going to be seeking assistance at one of these shelters.

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