

Cold-Related Illness: Learn How Cold Can be Dangerous

Division of Homeland Security and
Emergency Services (DHSES):

- **Extreme Cold Health & Safety**
www.dhSES.ny.gov/extreme-cold-health-safety

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and
Prevention (CDC):

- **Working in the Cold**
www.cdc.gov/niosh/cold-stress/about/index.html
- **Learn about Frostbite and Hypothermia**
www.cdc.gov/winter-weather/media/pdf/avoid-spot-treat-frostbite.pdf

National Weather Service:

- **Stay Safe in the Extreme Cold**
www.weather.gov/dlh/extremecold



How Else to Be Winter Ready

Ready.gov

- **Winter Weather**
www.ready.gov/winter-weather
- **Winter Ready**
www.ready.gov/winter-ready

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and
Prevention (CDC):

- **Preparing for a Winter Storm**
www.cdc.gov/winter-weather/safety/index.html

The **Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)** can help eligible New Yorkers heat and cool their homes.

Learn more at:



Stay Connected:

- Pay attention to local news and weather alerts, as well as advisories from local officials.
- A good way to stay connected is with local preparedness apps. Download one of our county-specific apps today!



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Daytime Warming Center:

A place to get out of the cold and plan next steps.



Additional local facilities may be recognized and promoted during times of extreme weather emergencies

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What is a Daytime Warming Center?

These locations are open to the public, allowing heated space to relax without expectation of purchase during winter. All other policies of the facility still apply.

It is important to know:

- Centers are only open during normal business hours unless stated otherwise.
- Call ahead to confirm a center is open, especially during weekends and holidays.
- Patrons must follow all facility rules and policies. Disruptive behavior may result in being asked to leave.

Local Daytime Warming Centers: Primary Locations All Winter

Community Free Library:

86 Public Square Holley, NY 14470

(585)638-6987

www.holleylibrary.org

Hoag Library:

134 South Main St, Albion NY 14411

(585)589-4246

www.hoaglibrary.org

Lee-Whedon Memorial Library:

620 West Ave, Medina, NY 14103

(585)798-3430

www.leewhedon.org

Yates Community Library:

15 North Main Street, Lyndonville, NY 14098

(585)765-9041

www.yateslibrary.org

Additional Locations and Hours:

Particularly during cold weather emergencies, additional locations may be promoted through social media and found here:

bit.ly/GOHealthColdWeatherEmergencies

Plan Your Next Steps

1. What to do when a daytime warming center closes?

- Reach out to family or friends if you need help, and let them know specifically what you need
- Check overnight options like the Code Blue Overnight Warming Center associated with Oak Orchard Community Health Center
- If you have no where else to stay, contact Department of Social Services (DSS) at (585) 589-7000
 - Contact ahead of time whenever possible
 - For any true emergencies call 911

2. What programs or services can County DSS provide?

- Cash assistance
- SNAP (food stamps)
- Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)
- Temporary emergency housing, housing and homeless services
- Medical assistance / Medicaid

3. What You Should Know Before Contacting DSS?

- An application and interview must be completed to determine eligibility for assistance
- Certain factors must be verified, including but not limited to:
 - Identity
 - Citizenship/alien status
 - Earned and unearned income
 - Resources

Learn more at the Orleans County Department of Social Services website:



What other services and agencies are available?

- Local food pantries: Call 211 or visit www.211wny.org
- Orleans Koinonia Kitchen, 560 East Avenue in Albion offers free dinner every Thursday
- Ministry of Concern (585) 589-9210
- Community Action (585) 589-5605
- Catholic Charities (585) 589-7477
- Eastern Orleans Community Center (585) 638-6395
- Meals on Wheels (585) 589-7817 (option 5 for those over age 60)
- WIC (585) 344-2203
- Suicide and Crisis Hotline 988
- Orleans County Mental Health (585) 589-7066
- uConnectCare (585) 589-0055

Code Blue

Code Blue is a cold weather emergency issued in counties throughout New York State when temperatures are expected to drop below 32 degrees Fahrenheit. During a Code Blue, additional measures may be made available to anyone who needs help getting out of the cold.

Current Orleans County Code Blue Overnight Warming Center

Subject to change so please confirm prior to need when possible

Location: Christ Episcopal Church
26 South Main Street, Albion, NY 14411
This center is open by request — please call (585) 340-1355 for access.