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Dealing with Cold and how to help our neighbors

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Dear Neighbors,



Cold Weather Information - This is from an email I received from our very capable assistant city manager today, Carly Lorentz.

"As you are aware the weather beginning Wednesday afternoon is projected to drop into sub-zero temperatures with deep wind chills. Below is some information we are sharing to help people prepare for the cold and brief you on the systems which are in place to protect our unsheltered residents from severe exposure.

As part of the Jefferson County Homeless Navigation Collaborative, the [Severe Weather Shelter Network](#) working through the City Navigation Programs provides:

- congregate sheltering through a faith-based partner network throughout the County; and
- hotel sheltering for vulnerable unhoused residents who, because of physical or mental challenges cannot access congregate sheltering.

Additionally, as part of the City's CDBG-CV grant received this fall, the City of Golden Navigation Program can provide additional emergency hotel vouchers for unhoused residents who may not be reached by the Severe Weather Shelter Network due to capacity issues.

If a resident encounters an unhoused or underhoused resident who needs support during the upcoming severe weather events, please have them contact the Golden

Police Department at 303-980-7300. In life and death emergencies, please contact 911.

Some reminders from Les Major in Public Works:

- Leave cabinet and utility room doors open so that warm air circulates around pipes close to exterior walls.
- Disconnect any garden hoses and drain outside faucets. Insulating the hose bib will help insure that pipes do not freeze and break.
- Shutoff and drain swamp coolers that have not been winterized.
- Insulate exposed pipes in unheated crawlspaces, basements or attics.
- Close garage doors to ensure that pipes in the walls adjacent to those spaces retain as much heat as possible.
- Locate your main water shutoff and make sure you have access to it. These are normally located close to where the water supply enters the building.
- Use the City of Golden customer portal (AquaHawk) to set alerts in case of a broken pipe or other water system failure. <https://goco.aquahawk.us/>
- If you are leaving on vacation and the residence will be empty have a neighbor check on the home if possible.

Visit the official government website <https://www.ready.gov/> for other helpful information."



What does Artificial Intelligence (AI) know about our city council?- I always promise to keep these things short, but if you're interested, I asked an AI piece of software to write a blog post (and another one to create the above graphic) about what the city council of Golden does. [You can read it here.](#)

If you have input for city council, please use
councilcomments@cityofgolden.net.

Always feel free to reach me at my website, [set up a meeting](#). Or, let's run, walk or bike together if you'd like!

Peace,

Don

Feel free to forward this to friends or neighbors who may like to get more information. To join the list fill out the contact form at cameronforgolden.org

Want to know even more? Two other councilors have websites too, [JJTrout](#) and [Bill Fisher](#)

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