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City, County, and Non-Profits Work Together to Help Prepare for Dangerously Low Temperatures

With plunging temperatures and more snow expected, residents are being reminded to check in with elderly and disabled friends and neighbors, and report concerns to the Madison Police Department.

Because of the dangerous temperatures, area shelters are extending hours and providing transportation between overnight and day shelters. Occupancy quotas are being waived so that no one is denied service. Dane County Human Services is working to coordinate information which is available at this [website](#).

“City and County staff as well as non-profits are working together to coordinate safe support for everyone in the City,” said Madison Mayor Paul Soglin. “This is Wisconsin weather, but this is pretty severe, so we all need to work together to look out for our friends and neighbors.”

Madison Police officers as well as other City workers will be vigilant in making sure homeless residents and others are not out in the cold. Officers will continue to transport people to appropriate shelter.

Madison Metro will have warming buses at all four Madison bus transfer points this weekend. These buses will shelter people who need to make a bus transfer. The service can be continued if there are buses available next week.

Madison Public Libraries remain an option for people escaping the elements. They are open from 9-5 on Saturday and on Sunday the Central Library as well as Pinney, Sequoyah and Alesha Ashman will be open from 1-5 pm. During the week, the main libraries are open from 9-9. The Madison Senior Center is also an option for anyone looking for shelter during the day.

Currently more snow is expected Sunday into Monday. Because of the low temperatures Madison Streets crews will not be using salt, as it will be ineffective. Sand will be used to assist with traction, but motorists are being urged to give themselves extra time and take precautions. Updates on City streets and parking restrictions are available [here](#).

