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## GARY COOLING CENTERS AVAILABLE CITY REMINDS RESIDENTS OF IMPORTANT INFORMATION DURING EXTREME HEAT CONDITIONS

**Gary, Indiana**-With temperatures soaring into the high 90's this week, city officials continue to remind residents of important information during extreme heat conditions. The City's Cooling Centers will be available for residents who may need relief from the hot weather.

Residents are also reminded to check on senior residents and family members regularly. Anyone aware of persons living in vacant structures are asked to report the situation to City Hall to (219) 881-1311 or via email at [mocs@ci.gary.in.us](mailto:mocs@ci.gary.in.us). Residents may also visit the city's website at [www.gary.in.us](http://www.gary.in.us). "Click" on Report a Problem.

The Gary Health Department has released a list of the city's cooling centers that are open daily. **A list of cooling centers open daily is below.** The Gary Public Safety Facility and all Gary Fire Stations are available for brief/transitional relief from hot weather.

\*Calumet Township Center, 1900 West 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue; 219-880-4901      daily/24-hour as needed

\*Brother's Keeper, 2120 Broadway; 219-882-4459      8:00 am – 9:00 pm

\*Oak Street Health, 4900 Broadway Avenue; 219-237-5170      8:00 am – 5:00 pm M-F

### Cooling Centers-Extended Hours-On an as needed basis

Residents should call 219-881-1214 after regular hours if in need of a cooling center after hours. Extended cooling centers are available on an as needed basis.

### After Hours/Weekends Emergencies

Residents should call 219-881-1214 for hot weather related Emergencies.

Residents may go to the Public Safety Facility, 555 Polk Street or to Gary Fire Stations for brief/transitional relief from hot weather. **A cooling center or facility will be identified as needed for long or extended stays.**

Residents may visit the beach from 8:-00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. at Lake Street and from 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. at Marquette Park. Residents should be mindful that **Life Guards are on duty from 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.** All are encouraged to exercise beach safety and not go in the water when lifeguards are off duty and when no swimming signs or red flags are posted. Neighborhood pools are open at Tolleston, Reed, Roosevelt & Buffington Parks.

### **Important Numbers to Know:**

#### **Medical Related Emergencies**

Dial 911

#### **Non/Other Emergencies**

Call Police Dispatch at 219-660-0000

#### **Hot weather Related Emergencies/Cooling Centers in Gary**

Call 219-881-1311 or 881-1214

#### **Gary City Services & Concerns**

City of Gary 311- Dial 219-881-1311

#### **Power Outages**

As always, residents should report power outages to NIPSCO in the following manners; call 1-800-464-7726, online at NIPSCO.com, via Mobile: m.nipsco.com or Text “Out” to 444111. Residents may also use the city’s 311 system by dialing 881-1311 or visit the city’s website at [www.gary.in.us](http://www.gary.in.us). Click on Report a Problem.