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Heat Advisory in Effect Sunday for Loudoun; County Facilities to Serve as Cooling Centers

The National Weather Service has [issued a heat advisory](#) that includes Loudoun County for Sunday, July 24, 2022, from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The weather service is forecasting temperatures in the mid to upper 90s and heat index values around 105 degrees.

When the National Weather Service issues an excessive heat warning for Loudoun County, certain county facilities, such as recreation centers and libraries, serve as designated cooling centers, providing air conditioning, water and a place to sit for residents who may need relief from the heat.

Cooling Centers

On Sunday, July 24, 2022, facilities designated as the county's cooling centers during their regular operating hours include:

- **Library Branches:**
 - **Open 12:00 – 8:00 p.m.:** Ashburn, Brambleton, Purcellville and Sterling branches.
 - **Open 12:00 – 5:00 p.m.:** Cascades, Gum Spring, and Rust branches.
 - **Closed:** Lovettsville and Middleburg branches and the Law Library.
 - Information about library locations is posted online at loudoun.gov/library.
- **Recreation Centers:** The Claude Moore Recreation Center and the Dulles South Recreation Center are open 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. on Sundays. Information about the recreation centers is posted on the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services' [website here](#).
- **Animal Services Facility:** The county's animal shelter will operate as a pet-friendly facility for residents who are seeking relief from the heat for their companion animals. The animal shelter's Sunday business hours are 8:30 a.m.- 6:00 p.m. Directions to the Animal Shelter can be found at loudoun.gov/animals.

Guard Against Heat-Related Illness

Loudoun County officials remind residents to take precautions to prevent heat illnesses. Public health officials recommend:

- Spending as much time as possible in air-conditioned locations such as your home, or libraries, malls, and other public buildings.
- Staying out of the sun and limiting outdoor activities.
- Drinking plenty of water.
- Staying informed about the latest weather forecast.

- Never leaving children or pets in cars.
- Check on relatives and neighbors, particularly the elderly.
- Know the [signs and symptoms](#) of heat exhaustion and heat stroke.

If you must spend time outdoors or you work outdoors, take extra precautions, such as rescheduling strenuous activities to early morning or evening and wearing lightweight and loose-fitting clothing.

More Information

More information about staying safe in excessive heat is online at loudoun.gov/heat.

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