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Selected Loudoun County Facilities to Serve as Cooling Centers with Extended Hours

During this period of excessive heat, selected Loudoun County facilities will operate as cooling centers with extended weekend hours.

Saturday, July 20, 2019, Extended Hours

- The Loudoun Valley Community Center will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- The Claude Moore and Dulles South Recreation Centers will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- The Lovettsville Community Center gym will be open from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Sunday, July 21, 2019, Extended Hours

- Rust Library will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Sterling Library will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Purcellville Library will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- The Claude Moore and Dulles South Recreation Centers will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- The Lovettsville Community Center gym will be open from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

In addition to the facilities with extended hours, the county's community centers and libraries that are normally open on Saturday and Sunday will provide air conditioning, water and a place to sit. Information about Loudoun County Public Library locations and hours may be found at library.loudoun.gov. Information about hours and locations of community centers operated by the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services may be found at loudoun.gov/prcs.

Pets are not allowed in the cooling centers. Residents who are seeking shelter for themselves and their pets can access the Loudoun County Animal Shelter during weekend business hours. The Animal Shelter's location and business hours can be found at loudoun.gov/animals.

Loudoun County officials remind residents to take precautions to prevent heat illnesses. Spend as much time as possible in air-conditioned locations such as libraries, malls, and other public buildings, stay out of the sun, drink plenty of water, and make sure you are aware of the latest weather forecast. Also, do not leave children or pets in cars, and check on relatives and neighbors.

Take extra precautions if you work or spend time outside. When possible, reschedule strenuous activities to early morning or evening. Know the signs of heat exhaustion and heat stroke. Wear lightweight and loose-fitting clothing.

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

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