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Public Service Announcement
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CITY REMINDS PUBLIC TO STAY WARM

Welland, ON - The City of Welland and Welland Public Library Branches are encouraging residents to exercise caution during extreme cold weather alerts. According to Environment Canada, winter storm conditions are expected for Saturday and Sunday, with suggested snow accumulations of 15 to 25cm and cold wind chill values near minus 20°C. The city's Cold Alert Program offers warming stations at the following city-owned facilities and Public Library Branches when temperatures drop below minus 15°C (unless closed due to inclement weather).

Welland Civic Square, located at 60 East Main Street, Hours: Mon-Fri 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., Sat 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Sun 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Welland Community Wellness Complex, located at 145 Lincoln Street, Hours: Mon - Fri 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sat 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Sun 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Welland Public Library Main Branch, Located at 50 The Boardwalk, Mon-Thurs 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Fri 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Sat 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Sun 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Welland Public Library Diamond Trail Branch, located at 315 Southworth Street, Mon-Thurs 3:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Fri Closed, Sat 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Sun Closed.

Welland Public Library Seaway Mall Branch, located at 800 Niagara Street, Mon-Fri 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sat 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Sun Closed.

Consider postponing non-essential travel until conditions improve. Surfaces such as highways, roads, walkways and parking lots may become difficult to navigate due to accumulating snow. Public Safety Canada encourages everyone to make an emergency plan and get an emergency kit with drinking water, food, medicine, a first-aid kit and a flashlight.

Although anyone can be harmed by extreme cold-related weather conditions, the following are most at risk and should exercise caution during extreme cold alerts: seniors (over the age of 65), infants and young children, persons lacking mobility, outdoor workers, homeless persons, and/or those lacking shelter or proper clothing, and pets.

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