



## **Okaloosa County News Release**

### **Okaloosa County Offices Closed on January 17<sup>th</sup> Due to Inclement Weather**

With temperatures projected to drop below freezing and the threat of dangerous winter weather across portions of Okaloosa County, county government offices will be closed on Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

The Okaloosa County Department of Public Safety will continue to monitor the weather for as long as it remains over Okaloosa County.

All Okaloosa County services except for those deemed critical for county operations will be shut down, and all meetings, including the regular meeting of the Okaloosa County Board of County Commissioners will be postponed. The rescheduled date will be announced in the near future.

Cold weather shelters will be open across the county for those residents who do not have access to appropriate heat for the duration of this cold weather event.

On Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, and Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, the cold weather shelter for the north end of Okaloosa County will be hosted at Community of Christ Church in Crestview, located at 398 W 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue. The shelter will open at 6:00pm and remain open until 7:00am the next day, for both nights.

On Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup> and Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, the north Okaloosa cold weather shelter will be hosted at Helping Hands, located at 428 McLaughlin Street in Crestview, with the hours in place.

In South Okaloosa, the cold weather shelter will open at One Hopeful Place, 1564 North Beal Extension in Fort Walton Beach.

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