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City's cold weather shelter will remain open on Wednesday, February 21

RENTON, WA – With the temperatures remaining dangerously low, the City of Renton and Catholic Community Services will keep the city's cold weather shelter open on Wednesday, February 21. The shelter will open at 8 p.m. and close at 7 a.m. on Thursday, February 22.

Where: Old Chamber building, 300 Rainier Avenue N, Renton, WA. (Metro bus route 106 & 107 stops nearby)

Date: Wednesday, February 21

Check-in and registration: 8 p.m.

Check-out: 7 a.m. on February 22.

All are welcome. The cold weather shelter (CWS) is barrier free and available for single women and men, couples, and homeless families with children who are living on the streets or in vehicles. Separate sleeping spaces have been prepared for men, women, and families with children. The CWS will be operated by Catholic Community Services staff. All must register at the door. As with all shelters, rules for the health and safety of clients, staff and the broader community will apply.

If you wish to bring a food donation, please drop it off after the shelter is open. Snacks (individually wrapped granola bars, trail mix, Sun Chips, etc.); fruit like bananas and mandarin oranges; and individually wrapped breakfast pastries are needed. Blankets will also be accepted when the shelter is open.

For more information please contact the City of Renton Human Services office at 425-430-6600 during business hours or visit the City of Renton's website at rentonwa.gov/cs.

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