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Cold weather shelter extended through Thursday night, December 8.

RENTON, WA - In preparation for expected snow and severe temperatures, the City of Renton and the Renton Ecumenical Association of Churches (REACH) will extend the opening of the severe weather shelter through Thursday night, December 8, at the Old Chamber building at 300 Rainier Avenue N, due to dangerously low temperatures.

This Cold Weather Shelter (CWS) is open tonight, Wednesday December 7, and will be open Thursday night, December 8, 2016.

Where: Old Chamber Building, 300 Rainier Avenue N, Renton, WA.

Dates and Time: Wednesday night December 7, and Thursday December 8.

Check-in and registration: 8:00 pm.

Check-out: 7:00 am. Shelter closes, all must vacate.

All are welcome. The CWS is 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 for families with children. The CWS will be operated by Renton Ecumenical Association of Churches staff from the greater Renton community. 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.

Please contact the Crisis Clinic by dialing 2-1-1 to access shelter information. For more information please contact the City of Renton, Human Services office at **425-430-6600 or** visit the City of Renton's website at rentonwa.gov.

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About the City of Renton

The City of Renton, Washington is located on the southeast shore of Lake Washington with a population of 101,300. Renton's strong economic base, diverse marketplace and favorable business climate have attracted the attention of nationally recognized companies that are looking to provide employees and their families with an outstanding quality of life. It is the home of Boeing, IKEA, the Seattle Seahawks, and the eternal resting place of Jimi Hendrix. More information can be found at rentonwa.gov.