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### **AREA COOLING CENTERS AVAILABLE IN EXTREME HEAT**

Rockford, IL – Community Action announces cooling centers will again be available for residents in Boone and Winnebago Counties, ensuring the most vulnerable of our residents are safe during the hot summer days. The centers offer air conditioned relief during periods of extreme heat or when an Excessive Heat Advisory or Warning is issued by the National Weather Service.

In addition, residents are encouraged to ensure their senior relatives, friends and neighbors, and others whose health may be affected by extreme heat, are safe during high temperature days. Churches and other organized groups are also encouraged to check-in on the well-being of their members

For energy saving ideas during the summer months, go to [www.energy.gov/energysaver/spring-and-summer-energy-saving-tips](http://www.energy.gov/energysaver/spring-and-summer-energy-saving-tips)

Also, ComEd is offering their Residential Hardship program which can provide up to \$500 on the electric bills of income eligible residents of Winnebago and Boone Counties who can prove a hardship in paying their bill. Call Community Action at 844-710-6919 for information or go to [www.rockfordil.gov/city-departments/human-services/community-services](http://www.rockfordil.gov/city-departments/human-services/community-services)

The list of participating cooling sites is attached.

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# 2018 Cooling Center Sites

## Winnebago County Sites

The Carpenter's Place  
1149 Railroad Ave – Rockford  
Mon – Fri 8:30am - 3pm  
815/964-4105

## Rockford Rescue Mission Sites

*Men's Crisis Center*  
715 W. State St. – Rockford  
7am-7pm/7 days a week  
815/316-4148

*Women's Crisis Center*  
715 W. State St. - Rockford  
8am-4pm/7 days a week  
815/965-5332

Pilgrim Baptist Church  
1703 S. Central Ave. – Rockford  
Mon – Fri 9am – 5pm  
815/968-4449

Village of Machesney Park  
300 Roosevelt Rd – Machesney Park  
Mon – Fri 8am – 4:30pm  
815/877-5432

Pecatonica Village Hall  
405 Main St. – Pecatonica  
Mon – Fri 8:30am – 4:30pm  
815/239-2310

## Boone County Site

Salvation Army  
422 S. Main St. – Belvidere  
Mon – Fri 9am – 11:45am; 1pm – 4pm  
815/544-3892