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Winter Weather-Morning Update

What's New Since the Last Update?

- There is a wind chill advisory for Shelby County this morning
- Drivers should use caution on roadways, especially on bridges and overpasses
- Frozen slush on roadways has created black ice on the streets
- Memphis Police and Shelby County Sheriff's Deputies report no significant issues overnight
- Twenty six (26) people spent the evening at the City of Memphis warming center at the Orange Mound Community Center
- No significant power outages overnight

Shelby County Government mayor's administration offices are open today

- Employees that cannot come to work safely can take an annual or bonus day
- Supervisors must be notified if employees cannot report to work

Public Works-Road Conditions

- All roads are open
- Salt and cinder trucks are giving priority to interstates, highways and main routes
- Shelby County and Memphis Public Works will continue to use road graders to clear streets

Law Enforcement

- Memphis Police continues its inclement weather policy regarding non-injury traffic crashes. Drivers should exchange insurance information and report crashes after the weather improves.
- The Shelby County Sheriff's Office has returned to normal operations to investigate all traffic crashes

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Memphis Area Transit Authority

- MATA recommends bus passengers leave at least one (1) hour early for important appointments, jobs, and meetings where timeliness is crucial
- For route information about service delays, call (901) 274-6282 or go to www.matatransit.com

Memphis International Airport is Open

- Runway maintenance crews continue to clear ice
- Air traffic is limited due to cancelled flights in other cities
- Passengers should check with airlines about flight schedules

Amtrak

- Trains are running
- Check www.amtrak.com for weather-related delays

Memphis Light, Gas and Water

- No large-scale power outages
- Stay away from downed power lines
- Report outages and problems to MLGW (901) 544-6500

Fire Department/Emergency Medical Services

- Place space heaters at least three (3) feet from furniture and clothes
- Vent generators outside, away from garages
- Never use charcoal grills indoors

Emergency Housing

- The City of Memphis will operate a 24-hour warming center at the Orange Mound Community Center, 2572 Park, through tomorrow morning at 7 o'clock
- Memphis Union Mission has available beds for the homeless at 383 Poplar Avenue

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Shelby County Health Department

- Check on those who live alone, especially the elderly and disabled
- Cold weather puts an extra strain on the heart. If you have heart disease, high blood pressure or other medical conditions, avoid shoveling snow or performing other hard work outdoors
- If spending time outdoors, wear layers with a hat, scarf and gloves
- Quickly change out of any wet clothing

Stay informed

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- Call (901) 222-6700

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