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**Cooling Centers to Open in Santa Clara County During Heat Wave
Friday, July 9 – Sunday, July 11**

Take precautions against heat related illness and check on the elderly and other vulnerable populations

SANTA CLARA COUNTY, CALIF. – Cooling centers will be open throughout Santa Clara County as the National Weather Service (NWS) has issued an Excessive Heat Watch for the Bay Area beginning at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, July 9 through 10:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 11. The warming trend began today and will potentially last through Monday, peaking between Saturday and Sunday. Temperatures are expected to reach the mid-90s to low 100s inland, with the warmest spots reaching up to 110 degrees.

The National Weather Service forecasts moderate to potentially high heat risk for vulnerable populations across the interior valleys of the Bay Area and Monterey Bay region. Potential impacts include heat related illnesses, such as heat exhaustion and heat stroke. People most vulnerable include those who are spending lots of time outdoors, those without air conditioning, young children, the elderly, and those with chronic ailments.

Cooling centers will open to provide air-conditioned refuge for residents who are vulnerable to the heat. This list will continue to be updated as more cooling centers open. For up-to-date listings, please visit <http://bit.ly/SCC-CoolingCenter>. A cooling center map is also available for community members to search for their nearest cooling center location.

City of Campbell

Campbell Community Center (Board Room, E42)

1 W. Campbell Avenue, Campbell, CA 95008

Hours: Friday, July 9 - Sunday, July 11 from 1:00 pm - 8:00 pm

City of Cupertino

Cupertino Library

10800 Torre Ave, Cupertino, CA 95014

Hours: Friday, July 9 – Saturday, July 10 from 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

City of Gilroy

Gilroy Library

350 W 6th St, Gilroy, CA 95020

Hours: Friday, July 9 – Saturday, July 10 from 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

City of Los Altos

Los Altos Library

13 S San Antonio Rd, Los Altos, CA 94022

Hours: Friday, July 9 – Saturday, July 10 from 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Woodland Library

1975 Grant Ave, Los Altos, CA 94024

Hours: Friday, July 9 – Saturday, July 10 from 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

City of Los Gatos

Los Gatos Library

100 Villa Ave, Los Gatos, CA 95030

Hours: Friday, July 9 – Sunday, July 11 from 10:00 am – 6:00 pm

City of Milpitas

Milpitas Library

160 N Main St, Milpitas, CA 95035

Hours: Friday, July 9 – Saturday, July 10 from 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

City of Morgan Hill

Morgan Hill Library

660 W Main Ave, Morgan Hill, CA 95037

Hours: Friday, July 9 – Saturday, July 10 from 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Centennial Recreation Center

171 W. Edmundson Ave, Morgan Hill, CA 95037

Friday, July 9 from 8:00 am – 9:00 pm

Hours: Saturday, July 10 – Sunday, July 11 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

City of San Jose

Camden Community Center

3369 Union Ave

San Jose, CA 95124

Hours: Friday, July 9 – Sunday, July 11 from 1:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Edenvale Branch Library (Community Room)

101 Branham Lane East

San Jose, CA 95111

Hours: Friday, July 9 – Sunday, July 11 from 1:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Dr. Alberto Cruz Alum Rock Branch Library (Community Room)

3090 Alum Rock Avenue

San Jose, CA 95127

Hours: Friday, July 9 – Sunday, July 11 from 1:00 pm – 9:00 pm

City of Saratoga

Saratoga Library

13650 Saratoga Ave, Saratoga, CA 95070

Hours: Friday, July 9 – Saturday, July 10 from 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Santa Clara County residents are encouraged to check in frequently with older adults and those with chronic conditions who are especially vulnerable to the heat, including family, friends, and neighbors. If you see someone who may be experiencing distress due to the heat, please call 911. All residents are encouraged to take heat safety measures, including the following:

1. Drink plenty of water and beverages containing electrolytes even if you do not feel thirsty. Avoid alcohol, caffeine, or lots of sugar because they will speed up fluid loss.
2. Limit physical activity during peak heat hours of 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
3. Never leave people or pets in a closed, parked car.
4. Cool off by taking a bath or shower.
5. Wear light weight, light colored, and loose-fitting clothing to help you keep cool.
6. Do not bundle babies or put them in heavy clothing.
7. Wear a wide-brimmed, vented hat or use an umbrella when outdoors.
8. Wear sunglasses and sunscreen.
9. Rest often and find shady places to cool down when outdoors.
10. Check on family, friends, and neighbors often.
11. People taking medications should take extra precautions to stay out of the heat. Certain drugs, such as stimulants, can increase body core temperature and, with expected hot weather this week, may predispose individuals to hyperthermia.

For additional information (in English, Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese), please visit <https://bit.ly/hotweathersafetytips>.

The County of Santa Clara Office of Supportive Housing staff are working with service providers and outreach workers to make extra visits to encampments to distribute water and provide information about other services.

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