

New Jersey Code Blue

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When temperatures drop below freezing, and conditions pose a threat to individuals who are homeless, a network of agencies throughout New Jersey help people obtain shelter. During times such as these, [County Offices of Emergency Management](#) together with municipal government will often initiate and communicate a Code Blue Alert which enables authorities to make shelter arrangements for homeless adults. The shelter arrangements may include the opening of Warming Centers for this specific need. The Code Blue activations, deactivations and Warming Center listings that you find on this [page](#) are based on what NJ 211 receives from the individual counties.

Code Blue Activations/Deactivations

Once a county or municipality declares a Code Blue, the information is shared through local media and social media outlets. It is also shared with NJ 211 and posted to this page. The activation dates are listed and once the Code Blue is deactivated, it is removed from this page.

Warming Centers

Many public libraries, shopping centers and senior activity centers serve as Warming Centers during business hours. Additional after-hours and overnight Warming Centers will be listed below for the public to view and the NJ 211 community resource specialists to reference for those calling 2-1-1. The hours and location of Warming Centers are often communicated through local media, social media, and on municipal and county websites too.

Statewide Homeless Hotline

New Jersey residents experiencing homelessness can dial 2-1-1 for help. ([download flyer](#))

As the State's Homeless Hotline, we work in partnership with county agencies throughout New Jersey in an effort to ensure that those experiencing homelessness have a safe place to stay at night. We assess each caller to determine the appropriate resources to address their immediate need, as well as the underlying issues related to homelessness.

Those in need can call us at any time of the day or night, any day of the year. Services are accessible in different languages for non-English speakers.

If you live in NJ and you are experiencing homelessness, dial 211 or 877-652-1148 (If you are using a rotary dial phone, please dial 1-877-746-5211.)

Current Code Blue Activations

Please be aware that Code Blue notifications and resources opened in response to severe cold or storm events change as quickly as the weather. Our listing reflects information most recently received by the counties. You can also refer to your county's Office of Emergency Management web page.

**Code Blue Declarations below refer to the night of the listed date, unless otherwise stated. If no counties are listed below, there are no currently active declarations.*

Atlantic County - February 10 at 12:00am through February 14

Bergen County - January 31 until further notice

Burlington County - February 9 at 7:00pm through February 18 at 7:00am (*Overnight shelters operating from 7:00pm to 7:00am*)

Camden County - February 12 (24 hours); February 13 (7:00pm-Noon); February 14 (7:00pm for 24 hours); February 15 (7:00pm-Noon)

Cape May - February 8 through and including February 15 (6:00pm-6:00am nightly)

Cumberland County - February 12 at 6:00pm through February 18 at 6:00am

Essex County - February 12 (8:00pm-8:00am); February 13 through February 15 ending at 8:00am

Gloucester County - February 9 through February 18

Hudson County - January 30 at 9:00pm through and including February 23 (*In addition to normal nightly hours, the warming center will remain open February 12, 13, 14 and 15 during the day. Only overnight on all other dates*)

Hunterdon County - February 12 (24 hours)

Mercer County - February 12 (24 hours)

Middlesex County - February 11 through February 15 (Overnight each night) *A Code Blue has NOT been called in New Brunswick.*

Monmouth County - January 22 at 8:00am through February 18 at 9:00am

Ocean County - January 28 through and including February 17

Passaic County - February 5 at 9:00pm until further notice

Salem County - February 12 through February 14 at 6:00am

Somerset County - January 22 at 7:00pm until further notice

Sussex County - February 8 through February 15 at 6:00am

Union County - February 9 through and including February 15