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## **GADSDEN COUNTY GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCES OFFICE CLOSURES AND SERVICE CHANGES DUE TO EXTREME COLD WEATHER**

**GADSDEN COUNTY, Fla**—Due to forecasted extreme cold weather conditions, Gadsden County Government offices will be closed on Wednesday, January 22, 2025. The National Weather Service has issued a cold weather advisory for the area.

### **Weather Forecast:**

- **Rest Of Today**  
Mostly sunny late this morning, then mostly cloudy with snow showers with a slight chance of sleet this afternoon. Snow and sleet accumulation is around an inch. Highs in the lower 40s. Temperature is falling into the mid-30s this afternoon. North winds 10 to 15 mph with gusts up to 25 mph. Chance of precipitation 90 percent.
- **Tonight**  
A slight chance of freezing rain. Snow showers with a chance of sleet in the evening, then a chance of snow showers and sleet after midnight. Additional snow and sleet accumulation of 1 to 3 inches. Ice accumulation of up to a tenth of an inch. Cold with lows around 20. North winds 5 to 10 mph with gusts up to 20 mph. Chance of precipitation near 100 percent.
- **Wednesday**  
Sunny. Highs in the upper 30s. Northeast winds 5 to 10 mph.
- **Wednesday Night**  
Partly cloudy in the evening, then becoming mostly cloudy. Cold with lows around 19. Northeast winds around 5 mph in the evening, becoming light and variable.

### **Safety Precautions and Recommendations:**

Residents are advised to take the following precautions:

- Wear protective clothing, including a hat, face mask, and warm gloves or mittens if you must be outdoors.
- Limit travel if possible and exercise caution when driving.
- Keep pets indoors or provide them with warm, dry shelter, along with food and unfrozen water.
- Check on vulnerable family members, friends, and neighbors regularly.

- Use portable heaters with caution and never use generators or grills indoors.

**County Office Closures:**

The following Gadsden County offices will close at noon on Tuesday, January 21:

- Gadsden County Government Offices
- Gadsden County Libraries
- Gadsden County Mosquito Control
- Gadsden County Animal Control
- Gadsden County Parks

**Emergency Preparedness Information:**

Residents are strongly encouraged to follow their emergency preparedness plans.

For disaster planning resources and additional information:

- **FloridaDisaster.org** – Information on general and special needs shelters in Florida.
- **Visit Florida** – Travel safety information and lodging availability.
- **American Red Cross Shelter Directory** – A list of open shelters nationwide.

**Important Contact Information:**

For more information or assistance, residents can contact Gadsden County Emergency Management at (850) 875-8903. Additionally, Gadsden County residents are encouraged to sign up for emergency text alerts by texting **AlertGadsden** to **888777** for the latest weather and emergency updates. Sign-up is also available on the County's website at [gadsdencountyfl.gov](http://gadsdencountyfl.gov).

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