

**St. Joseph County – Region 2a  
Homeless Regional Planning Council  
2025 Summer Cooling Plan**

**Project's Purpose:** In response to the extreme temperatures of the summer months, Region 2a (St. Joseph County) seeks to coordinate cooling sites for our unhoused neighbors. Please note that at this time, there are no overnight cooling locations available, but the following sites are open during the greatest heat of the day.

**South Bend Cooling Centers:**

- a) **St. Joseph Public Library Main Branch**  
304 S. Main Street, South Bend  
Monday-Thursday 9am-8pm, Friday-Saturday 9am-5pm, closed Sunday
- b) **Martin Luther King Jr DREAM Center**  
1522 W. Linden Avenue, South Bend  
Hours TBD  
*ID required*
- c) **Charles Black Community Center**  
3419 W Washington Street, South Bend  
Monday-Thursday 9am-9pm, Friday 9am-5pm, closed Saturday-Sunday
- d) **O'brien Center**  
321 East Walter Street, South Bend  
Monday-Thursday 5am-9pm, Friday 5am-7:30pm, Saturday 7am-3pm, Sunday 9am-2pm
- e) **Kroc Center**  
900 W Western Avenue, South Bend  
Monday, Tuesday & Friday 9am-12pm
- f) **Century Center**  
120 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd, South Bend  
Limited hours open to the public
- g) **Howard Park Event Center**  
219 S. St. Louis Blvd, South Bend  
Monday- Friday: 8am-8pm, Saturday 10am-8pm, Sunday 12pm-6pm

**Mishawaka Cooling Centers:**

- a) **Mishawaka-Penn-Harris Library Main Branch**  
209 Lincolnway East, Mishawaka

Monday-Thursday 9am-7pm, Friday 9am-5pm, Saturday 9am-4pm, closed  
Sunday

- b) Mishawaka Food Pantry  
315 Lincoln Way West, Mishawaka  
Monday-Friday 10am-2pm

**Extreme Weather Emergencies:** In the event of an officially declared Extreme Heat Emergency, the St. Joseph County Emergency Management Agency (SJCEMA) will activate emergency support functions as needed. On behalf of our community's unhoused, The City of South Bend Homeless Coordinator will coordinate this effort with SJCEMA