Friendly Reminder: Excessive Heat Warning: Cooling Centers Opening Extended to July 31, 2022

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Cooling Centers

Cooling centers are open across the city at libraries, community centers, and other facilities. City-affiliated sites are listed below. Anyone visiting a cooling center is encouraged wear a mask and maintain distance from people from outside your household to prevent the spread of COVID. Many local businesses also offer air-conditioned spaces. Maps of the spaces listed below are available on Google Maps and Seattle GIS.

Libraries

The Central Library and 17 branches of The Seattle Public Library have air conditioning. Everyone is welcome to come in, cool down and stay hydrated during open hours.

Due to the extreme heat in the region, the Library will pre-emptively close eight non-air-conditioned branches from Thursday, July 28, through Sunday, July 31 and open some air-conditioned branches that were previously scheduled to be closed. This will provide additional cooling centers for the community throughout the weekend.

For a current list of air-conditioned library hours and updates about closures, please visit spl.org/Today.

Community Centers

Four Seattle Community Centers have air conditioning and will be open as spaces to cool off.

Rainier Beach Community Center, 8825 Rainier Ave S,Seattle, WA 98118
- Friday: Lobby & programs open normal business hours (10 AM to 6:30 PM)
- Saturday: Lobby open normal business hours (10:30 AM to 5 PM)

International District Chinatown Community Center, 719 8th Ave S, Seattle, WA 98104
- Friday: Lobby & programs open normal business hours (11 AM to 9 PM)
- Saturday: Lobby & programs open normal business hours (10 AM to 5 PM)

Northgate Community Center, 10510 5th Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98125
- Friday: Lobby & programs open normal business hours (9:00 AM to 7:00 PM)
- Saturday: Closed

Magnuson Park, Building #406 6344 NE 74th ST Seattle, WA 98115.
- Friday, and Saturday: Cooling center open 2:00 PM – 8:00 PM. Pets welcome in crate or on leash.

Senior Centers

Please call ahead to confirm hours and availability. All sites listed below have air conditioning.

- Central Area Senior Center (500 30th Ave S), Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM; 206-726-4026 (temperature checks, masking, and physical distancing protocols are in effect)
- Greenwood Senior Center (525 N 85th St), Monday – Thursday, 9:30 AM – 7 PM, Friday 9:30 AM – 6 PM, and Saturday 2:30 PM – 5:30 PM; well-behaved small dogs permitted; 206-297-0875 (masks are required indoors when not actively eating or drinking)
- Pike Market Senior Center (85 Pike St, Suite 200), Monday – Friday, 8:20 AM – 4:00 PM; 206-728-2773 (masks and proof of vaccination required)
- Senior Center of West Seattle (4217 SW Oregon St), Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM; 206-932-4044 (sign-in and masks required)
- Southeast Seattle Senior Center (4655 South Holly St), Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM; 206-722-0317 (masks required in the building)

Seattle Center Armory Food & Event Hall

Seattle Center Armory Food & Event Hall is open as a cooling center during regular hours of operation, daily from 7:00am – 8:00pm.

 Parks

Seattle Parks and Recreation offers a variety of pools, spray parks, wading pools, lifeguarded beaches, and other recreational sites. For a full listing of these sites and their hours of operation, visit the Seattle Parks and Recreation website.