

Severe Climate Event Shelter Stakeholder Listening Session

5:00 PM- Welcome-Brief overview of the purpose of the meeting

- Identify the need: cold heat smoke
- Identify that this need is a Climate Change issue

5:10 PM- Propose Specific Policy Options

- Review handouts with specific policy options
- Review handouts with data from prior years (level of need)
- Review matrix of potential approaches (based on other community's examples)

5:20 PM- Elicit feedback regarding the specific policy options

6:00 PM- Discussion: What is our collective responsibility to not let people die due to Severe Climate events?

- Introduce the opportunity for long term collaborations
- Call for individuals who would like to be part of a long term collaboration.

6:20 PM- Summary-Conclusion



The Commission is looking to set parameters for various types of severe climate events that may necessitate the opening of a respite resource. Commissioners have looked at other community's models and at public health information to inform these parameters. Options that have been proposed are below, along with data regarding the number of days that the City has initiated shelters for various severe climate events or which may necessitate calling some form of respite resource in the future.

Model Parameters for calling a Severe Climate Event Respite Shelter

Model #1

Cold	35 degrees or below/45 if precipitating
Heat	95 degrees or above
Smoke	Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups or Above

Model #2 (City of Medford)

Cold	25° or less; 32° or less with additional factors that increase risk of cold exposure
Heat	102° or more; 80° or more with additional factors that increase risk of heat exposure
Smoke	AQI of Very Unhealthy or More

Model #3 (Public Health Based Suggestions)

Cold	TBD
Heat	TBD
Smoke	TBD

History of Shelters called by the City of Ashland Administration

Temperature: Heat-The City called for Cooling Shelters 9 days in 2021.

Temperature: Cold/Inclement Weather (beginning in 2009 there was a Sunday night shelter every week regardless of temperature. Then in 2012 two more nights were added for a total of three shelter nights every week. In 2014 another shelter night was added for a total of 4 nights a week. 2018 and after OHRA coordinated the shelter every night of the week with 45 dedicated beds from November to April. OHRA also coordinated inclement weather shelter for those who were not already housed in the weekly shelter. Southern Oregon Jobs with Justice took over operation an inclement weather shelters as needed from beginning in 2019.

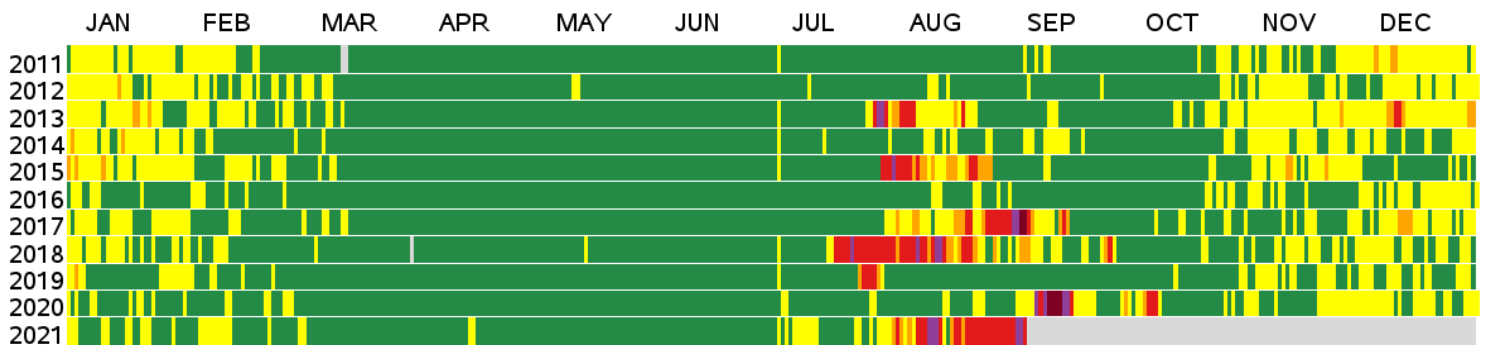
Year	Total # of Shelter Nights	# of Emergency Shelter Nights	Total # of Guests
Winter 2007-2008	12	12	53
Winter 2008-2009	11	11	102
Winter 2009-2010	21	?	189
Winter 2010-2011	23	13	206
Winter 2011-2012	32	6	448



Winter 2012-2013	?	6	36
Winter 2013-2014	88	5	362
Winter 2020-2021 Inclement Weather	N/A	10	60(no data from 1/24-1/28 shelters)
OHRA Winter Shelter Program 2020-2021	150	N/A	94
UU Pallet Shelters	Continuous	0	7

No data on smoke shelters

Smoke: PM2.5 values for Medford 2011-2021(current).



The Commission is looking to set up a model which identifies (I will create a matrix of what other communities are doing to address the items below)

- Roles: Who will be responsible for which aspects of putting a plan into action?
- Resource Needs: What is needed to provide a safe climate respite center?
 - Physical Location: Where will climate respite resources be located?
 - Staffing Needs: Volunteers? Volunteer Coordination? Trainings for Volunteers? Paid Staff?
 - Goods: Food, Water, Ice, Masks, Air purifiers, blankets?
 - Funding: For staffing, rental space, utilities, goods?



Location	Thresholds				Resources provided by entity			Calls Shelter Department/Role	Notifies Public Department/Role	Activates Volunteers Department/Role	Shelter Operator Department/Role	Paid/Not Paid
	Temp-Cold	Conditions Cold	Temp-Heat	Smoke	Funding	Space	Staffing					
City of Chico	32	45 with 3/4+ Rain or 40 with 15 MPH wind	100 for 2+ days		\$60,000	Church	Church	Fire Department	Fire Department		Non-Profit Partner/if non available PW dept.	Paid
City of Medford	25	32 with additional factors	102/80 with additional factors	Very Unhealthy+		Church//Agency/ Community	Volunteer	City Management			Community Volunteers	Not Paid
Washington County	32	Harsh Weather/Special Alert Forecast 24+ hours	N/A	N/A	0	Church/Agency	Volunteer	Shelter Coordinator	Homeless Program Manager	Shelter Coordinator	Shelter Coordinator	N/A
Kitsap County	32 for 4+ hrs or 2+ days	Snow 1+ inch, Rain 2+ days or High winds	N/A	N/A	0	Church/Agency	Volunteer	Kitsap County Dept. of Emergency Mgt. dependent upon volunteer coverage	Kitsap County Emergency Management Dept./Kitsap County DHS	Kitsap County DHS	Volunteers	Not Paid
City of Roseburg	30	32 with additional factors	102/95 with additional factors	Very Unhealthy+	0	Church/Agency	Volunteer	City Management	Shelter Operator	Shelter Operator	Volunteers	Not Paid

