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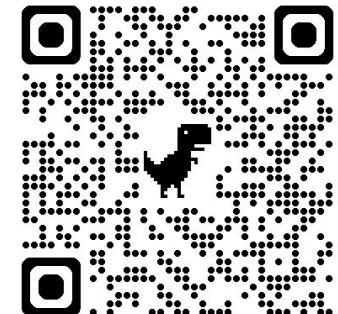
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Campaign Performance Overview



25,465

Visitors



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**DIAL 911**  
Any immediate Emergency needing Police, Fire, or EMS  
**EMERGENCY**

**DIAL 988**  
988 SUICIDE & CRISIS LIFELINE  
**SUPPORT**

**DIAL 211**  
Community Resources in Your Area  
**RESOURCES**

Individuals and families experiencing domestic violence can reach out for confidential support and resources, please call Utah's Statewide Domestic Violence Hotline, 1-800-897-LINK (5465)

The Office of Homeless Services provides funding, oversite and management of services programs throughout the state of Utah. OHS does not provide direct services or funding to individuals and families. Please use the resources below in your area in need of support.

Emergency Shelters

Google Map of Resources



Click on the map to view community resources



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Stay safe during winter weather

- Avoid carbon monoxide poisoning. Only use generators and grills outdoors and away from windows. Never heat your home with a gas stovetop or oven.
- Stay off roads if at all possible. If trapped in your car, then stay inside.
- Limit your time outside. If you need to go outside, then wear layers of warm clothing. Watch for signs of frostbite and hypothermia.
- Reduce the risk of a heart attack by avoiding overexertion when shoveling snow and walking in the snow.

Warning signs of, basic treatment for frostbite

Warning signs of, basic treatment for hypothermia

Generator Safety



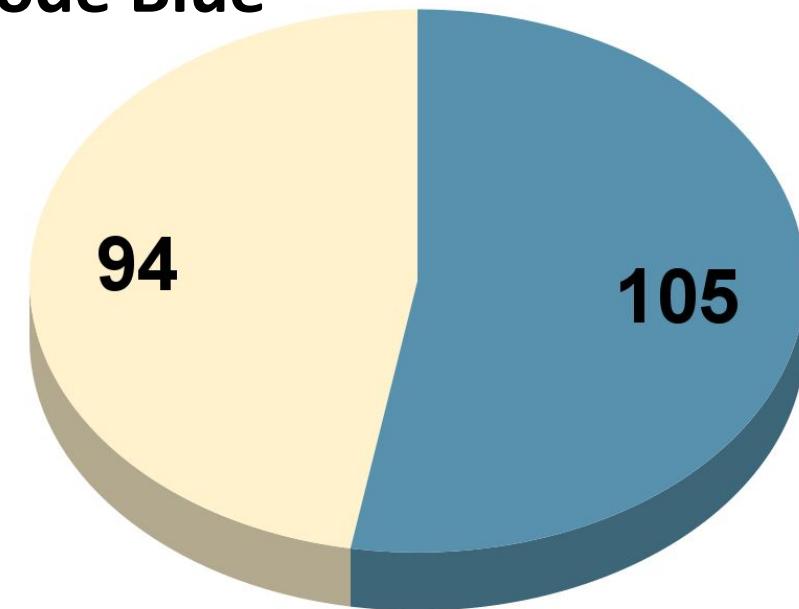
# CODE BLUE 2023-2024 RECAP

2023-2024 Winter Response Period		
START	END	TOTAL DAYS
10/15/2023	4/30/2024	199
FIRST CODE BLUE CALL	10/26/2023	
CURRENT DAYS IN CYCLE	199	100%
NON CODE BLUE DAYS IN CURRENT CYCLE	94	47%
CODE BLUE DAYS IN CURRENT CYCLE	199	100%
LAST CODE BLUE CALLED	4/7/2024	
TOTAL INDIVIDUAL NOTIFICATIONS SENT	7406	

**COUNTIES CALLED**

COUNTIES CALLED	NUMBER OF DAYS
0	94
1	13
2	12
3	9
4	7
5	5
6	7
7	5
8	3
9	5
10	1
11	2
12	3
13	1
14	9
15	2
16	1
17	3
18	4
19	10
20	3
Grand Total	199

## Non Code Blue



## Code Blue



# CODE BLUE 2023-2024 BY COUNTY



LOCAL HOMELESS COUNCIL		CODE BLUE COUNTY	CODE BLUE
BEAR RIVER LHC	94	Box Elder	50
		Cache	44
CARBON-EMERY LHC	62	Carbon	62
DAVIS LHC	23	Davis	23
IRON LHC	35	Iron	35
SAN JUAN LHC	34	San Juan	34
SIX COUNTY LHC	42	Juab	42
		Millard	47
UINTAH LHC	64	Duchesne	64
		Sanpete	61
		Sevier	36
		Uintah	49
TOOELE LHC	32	Tooele	32
WASHINGTON LHC	7	Washington	7
WEBER-MORGAN LHC	80	Morgan	80
		Weber	27
MOUNTAINLAND LHC	92	Summit	92
		Utah	31
		Wasatch	51
SLVCEH	22	Salt Lake	22

**COLLABORATE...**

**BALANCE OF STATE**

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# Updated provisions in 35A-16-701 and 702

701 (5) is modified changing the temperature threshold from 15 degrees to 18 degrees.

702 (5) Nothing in this section prohibits a municipality from implementing emergency plans or other measures to assist individuals experiencing homelessness at times when environmental conditions present a substantial threat to the health or safety of individuals experiencing homelessness, provided that the emergency plans or other measures implemented by the municipality do not conflict with any applicable provisions that take effect during a code blue event in accordance with Section 35A-16-703

# Updated provisions in 35A-16-703

- (1) a homeless shelter may expand the homeless shelter's capacity limit by up to 35% to provide temporary shelter to any number of individuals experiencing homelessness, so long as the homeless shelter is in compliance with the applicable building code and fire code;
- (2) a homeless shelter, in coordination with the applicable local homeless council, shall implement expedited intake procedures for individuals experiencing homelessness who request access to the homeless shelter;
- (3) a homeless shelter may not deny temporary shelter to any individual experiencing homelessness who requests access to the homeless shelter for temporary shelter unless the homeless shelter is at the capacity limit described in Subsection (1) or if a reasonable individual would conclude that the individual presents a danger to public safety;

# Updated provisions in 35A-16-703

(4) any indoor facility owned by a private organization, nonprofit organization, state government entity, or local government entity may be used to provide temporary shelter to individuals experiencing homelessness and is exempt from the licensure requirements of Title 26B, Chapter 2, Licensing and Certifications, for the duration of the code blue alert and seven days following the day on which the code blue alert ends, so long as the facility is in compliance with the applicable building code and fire code and the governing body of the organization or the legislative body of the government entity that owns the facility approves the use;

(5) homeless shelters, state and local government entities, and other organizations that provide services to individuals experiencing homelessness shall coordinate street outreach efforts to distribute to individuals experiencing homelessness any available resources for survival in cold weather, including clothing items and blankets;

# Updated provisions in 35A-16-703

**REMOVED** - (6) if no beds or other accommodations are available at any homeless shelters located within the affected county, a municipality may not enforce an ordinance that prohibits or abates camping for the duration of the code blue alert and the two days following the day on which the code blue alert ends;

**(7) renumbered and modified to** - (6) a state or local government entity, including a municipality, law enforcement agency, and local health department, **may enforce a camping ordinance** but may not seize from individuals experiencing homelessness any personal items for survival in cold weather, including clothing, blankets, tents, and sleeping bags;

## Updated provisions in 35A-16-703

(7) a municipality or other local government entity may not enforce any ordinance or policy that limits or restricts the ability for the provisions described in Subsections (1) through (5) to take effect, including local zoning ordinances.

# Resources

- Code Blue Alert Statute—[Utah Code 35A-16-7](#)
- Code Blue Alert Protocols—[R380-67](#)
- Utah Notification and Information System—[https://unis.utah.gov](#)
  - Join your county listed under the Code Blue Alert organization
- For questions regarding Code Blue Alert:
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