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**\*\*\*MEDIA ALERT\*\*\***

## **CITY OF CHICO CONTINUES ACTIVATION OF WARMING CENTER AT DEPOT PARK**

**(Chico, CA – January 27, 2021 –)** Due to the continued inclement weather, the City of Chico has extended activation of the emergency warming center for Wednesday, January 27 and Thursday, January 28, 2021. The warming center is located at Depot Park on 5th and Cedar Streets and open from 5:00 p.m. through 8:00 a.m.

The warming center consists of a tent structure with lighting and heating for those seeking respite from the cold. Personal belongings must be left outside of the tent area and pets must always remain leashed. Due to COVID-19, masks are required in the warming center.

The Emergency Warming Center is activated where weather forecasts show the temperature falling below 32 degrees Fahrenheit with no precipitation. Additional criteria include the temperature at or below 45 degrees Fahrenheit with anticipated precipitation of  $\frac{3}{4}$  inches or more, and also includes temperature at or below 40 degrees Fahrenheit where anticipated wind speeds average 15 or more miles per hour. City staff continues to monitor weather conditions for additional activations.

For more information, please contact Lynda Gizzi, Public Information Officer, at (530) 896-7204.

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