

City of Rochester

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Mayor Warren Announces Cool Sweep Locations to Help Residents Beat the Summer Heat

(Monday, July 3, 2017)- Mayor Lovely A. Warren today announced the 2017 Cool Sweep program, presented by RG&E and the Avangrid Foundation, to provide opportunities for residents to get relief from the summer heat at City swimming sites, spray parks and fire hydrants.

"As summer heats up, we want to make sure everyone has access to relief from the hot weather," said Mayor Warren. "The City offers many convenient ways beat the heat while having fun. Cool Sweep helps keep our residents safe and healthy which is central to our efforts to create safer and more vibrant neighborhoods, more jobs and better educational opportunities for our children."

The 2017 Cool Sweep season is officially underway and concludes on Saturday, August 26. Cool Sweeps do not take place on Sundays or on July 4. A Cool Sweep operation is triggered when the forecast calls for temperatures to reach or exceed 85 degrees. During Cool Sweep, residents can get relief with cooling sprays at fire hydrants and take advantage of extended hours at City pools and spray parks. Please note that Durand Eastman Beach is closed until further notice due to high water levels.

"RG&E through the Avangrid Foundation is pleased to continue our partnership with Mayor Warren and the City of Rochester by supporting Cool Sweep this summer," said RG&E President and CEO Carl A. Taylor. "Safety is always paramount in the work we do, so when temperatures reach extremes, Cool Sweep is one way we can partner to help our customers and the community to stay safe and comfortable."

Cool Sweep takes place at the following locations and times:

Hydrant Locations (noon to 4 p.m.):

- * #41 School Parking Lot, 279 W. Ridge Rd.
- * Baden Park gateway, Vienna Street

Spray Parks (10 a.m. to 8 p.m.):

- * Carter Street R-Center, 500 Carter St.
- * Edgerton R-Center, 41 Backus St.
- * Humboldt R-Center, 1045 Atlantic Ave.
- * David F. Gantt R-Center, 700 North St.
- * Thomas P. Ryan R-Center, 530 Webster Ave.
- * Roxie Ann Sinkler R-Center, 75 Grover St.

Spray Features - not a full spray park (10 a.m. to 8 p.m.):

- * Fourth and Peck Playground, Corner of Fourth and Peck Streets
- * Martin Luther King Jr. Park (playground area), 353 Court St.

- * Troup Street Park, Troup Street and Van Auken Street (between Reynolds Street and Ford Street)

Swimming Opportunities and Hours of Operation:

- * Adams Street R-Center Pool (noon to 9 p.m.), 85 Adams St.
- * Avenue D R-Center Pool (10 a.m. to 8 p.m.), 200 Avenue D
- * Flint Street R-Center Pool (10 a.m. to 8 p.m.), 271 Flint St.
- * Genesee Valley Park Pool (noon to 9 p.m.), 131 Elmwood Ave.
- * Charlotte High School Pool (Mon. - Fri. only, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.), 4115 Lake Ave.
- * East High School Pool (Mon. - Fri. only, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.), 1801 E. Main St.
- * Wilson Foundation Academy (Mon. - Fri. only, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.), 200 Genesee St.

When temperatures are forecasted to be 90 degrees and above, a Cool Sweep Heat Emergency will be initiated. During a Heat Emergency, the Cool Sweep program extends to the following sites, where residents can stay in an air-conditioned building:

Heat Emergency Cooling Locations:

- * Carter Street R-Center gym (Monday to Friday, closes at 9 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.), 500 Carter St.
- * Arnett Branch Library (Monday to Friday, closes at 9 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.), 310 Arnett Blvd.
- * Lincoln Branch Library (Monday to Friday, closes at 9 p.m.; Saturday, noon to 6 p.m.), 851 Joseph Ave.
- * Maplewood Branch Library (Monday to Friday, closes at 9 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.), 1111 Dewey Ave.
- * Winton Road Branch Library (Monday to Friday, closes at 9 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.), 611 N. Winton Rd.

Cool Sweep and Cool Sweep Heat Emergency details may be found at www.cityofrochester.gov/coolssweep, or by calling the Genesee Valley Park Pool at 428-7888.