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Designated Cooling Centers Announced During Celebrate Meridian Event
Township Offers Cooling Tips for Residents during High Heat Index

Meridian Township, MI – Meridian Township Fire and Police caution residents to stay safe during high temperatures by utilizing designated cooling centers. A heat index reading from 95 to 100 degrees Fahrenheit is expected to be in effect on Saturday, June 30 for Ingham County according to The National Weather Service.

The Police Department wants residents and visitors to be advised that the Town Hall inside the Meridian Township Municipal Building at 5151 Marsh Road is a designated Cooling Center during the Celebrate Meridian event on Saturday, June 30 from 11:00 am – 6:00 pm and the Meridian Mall is designated Cooling Center during regular mall hours from 10:00 am – 9:00 pm on Saturday, June 30.

“With heat indexes reaching into the 90’s, prolonged exposure could be dangerous. We want residents to be aware of designated Cooling Centers to escape from the heat,” stated Assistant Chief of Police Ken Plaga.

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention provides these tips for staying cool:

- Wear loose fitting and lightweight clothing.
- Stay hydrated by drinking plenty of fluids.
- Limit outdoor activity and move to indoor locations with air conditioning.
- Cut down on exercising during the heat.
- Do not leave children and pets in cars.
- Avoid hot and heavy meals.
- Walk your dog on the grass if possible.

“We are working hard to provide additional shade, fans, misting stations, water stations, and air conditioned baby changing station/nursing area, and water sprinklers for the Celebrate event. We want everyone to be safe while enjoying the festival,” stated Director of Parks and Recreation LuAnn Maisner

Fire and Police are asking for your help in spreading the word on the Meridian Mall and Meridian Township Municipal Building being a designated Cooling Center during the June 30, 2018 Celebrate Meridian event.

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The community of Meridian Township is in close proximity to the Michigan State Capitol and Michigan State University. The Township serves the community through exceptional services, beneficial amenities and an outstanding quality of life. It is a welcoming community that celebrates quality education, recreation and lifestyles.

