

**PRESS RELEASE**

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**2023 Kern County Cooling Center Program**

This year the Kern County Cooling Center season will begin on Thursday, June 1, 2023 and end on Friday, September 22, 2023.

For the health, safety, and comfort of our residents, Kern County General Services, in cooperation with the Department of Aging and Adult Services, other Kern County agencies and/or districts, and PG&E, will open Cooling Centers throughout the County when temperatures are **forecast by the National Weather Service (NWS)** to exceed certain highs. Cooling Centers open in the San Joaquin and Kern River Valleys when the temperatures are **forecast** to be **105** degrees or higher, in the desert areas when temperatures are **forecast** to be **108** degrees or higher, and in Frazier Park when temperatures are **forecast** to be **93** degrees or higher. The centers will be open from 1:00-8:00 p.m.

The Cooling Centers Daily Report will be issued by 11:00 am on the day before the Centers open. Weekend Cooling Center openings will be released by 11:00 am on Friday. Monday Cooling Center openings will be released by 11:00 a.m. on Sunday.

Residents using the Cooling Centers are encouraged to bring their favorite non-alcoholic beverages, snacks, reading material, games, etc. to better enjoy the Centers.

Cooling Centers confirmed as of this date include:

**SAN JOAQUIN AND KERN RIVER VALLEY CENTERS**

**Arvin** ~ Arvin Community Center, 800 Walnut Drive

**Bakersfield** ~ East Bakersfield Veterans Building, 2101 Ridge Road



**Bakersfield** ~ The Mission at Kern County, 816 E. 21<sup>st</sup> Street

**Lake Isabella** ~ Kern River Valley Senior Center, 6405 Lake Isabella Boulevard

**Maricopa** ~ Gusher Hall, 271 California Street

**Shafter** ~ Walker Senior Center, 505 Sunset Avenue

**Taft** ~ Taft Community Center- Activity Building, 500 Cascade Place

### **MOUNTAIN CENTER(S)**

**Frazier Park** ~ Frazier Park Recreation Building, 3801 Park Drive

### **DESERT CENTERS**

**Rosamond** ~ Hummel Community Building, 2500 20th Street

**California City**- Strata Center, 10350 Heather Avenue