



**For Immediate Release**

# **STORM RELIEF:**

## **WARMING STATION NOW OPEN 24 HOURS**

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**Middle Smithfield Township, Thursday March 8, 2018 at 1pm.**

Storms Riley and Quinn put most of Middle Smithfield Township without power. As of now, 30% of Met Ed customers in the township still remain without power. Many remain without cable and/or internet, and some are still without landline service and/or spotty cell service. With over 1,000 linemen in the area, Met Ed crews resume their around-the-clock restoration efforts. While Met Ed is currently reporting that they expect to restore power by 11 p.m. tomorrow, the weather forecast has Middle Smithfield Supervisors concerned.

In light of increasingly cold weather, Middle Smithfield Township has prepared to operate its warming station for the full 24 hours. PLEASE check on your neighbors; while you may not need this service, they may.

## **OPEN 24 HOURS:**

### **WHISPERING PINES BANQUET HALL:**

1445 Big Ridge Drive, East Stroudsburg, PA, 18302

#### **Hours:**

**Open 24 hours. If you choose to rest, please bring pillows and blankets.**

No cots, beds or bedding will be provided.

#### **Services:**

- Hot showers from 7am to 8pm
- WIFI
- Charging station for your devices.  
Please bring power strips if you have them so others can charge devices with you.
- Warming Station **If you choose to rest, please bring pillows and blankets.**
- Fill your containers with water (for drinking, cooking, washing, flushing)
- Ice to preserve your food (please bring coolers containers)

## **NO:**

- NO Pets
- NO cots, beds, or bedding will be provided
- NO food or drink will be provided
- NO medical services are provided

**Please sign up for Textcaster** to receive text alerts for emergency updates at <https://tinyurl.com/MSTalerts>. Please "like" Middle Smithfield on Facebook for updates, as cable service / internet service is down for many people.

### **About Middle Smithfield Township**

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