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- **Stonehouse Snow Closing Policy**: Stonehouse does not follow Howard County school closings. We evaluate local weather conditions and make an independent decision. If the weather is bad, you can call Stonehouse, 410/730-8113, and check the message on our answering machine to see if Stonehouse is open. Conditions at each of our facilities are evaluated independently to decide if activities can be conducted safely. Every attempt will be made to put any Stonehouse weather-related closings and/or class cancellations on our web site at www.longreach.org.

- **Classes:** Individual class instructors at Stonehouse usually follow school closing policies and should be contacted directly if there is any question about a class.

- **Neighborhood Centers:** Decisions on Long Reach neighborhood center events are up to the person or groups organizing the rental. Please contact that person directly. It is possible that Stonehouse may be closed and activities have been cancelled, but Neighborhood Centers will remain open. Rental refunds will not be given if a Neighborhood Center is open, but the renter chooses to cancel the event due to bad weather.

- **Snow Emergency Routes:** In Long Reach, snow emergency regulations apply to Tamar Drive (from Old Montgomery in Jeffers Hill to Saddle Drive), Phelps Luck Drive and Snowden River Parkway, and Routes 175 and 108. Phase I: Vehicles using snow emergency routes must be equipped with chains or approved snow tires. Phase II: Parking is prohibited on snow emergency routes in addition to requiring proper chains or snow tires.

- **Do Not Park Along the Curb In Cul-de-Sacs :** County plow drivers cannot safely push snow in cul-de-sacs where cars are parked. Rather than risk damaging vehicles, the driver will leave and come back later after he finishes the rest of his route. So, if you want your cul-de-sac plowed, put your car in the driveway.

- **Move Cars Off Public Streets:** please move all your cars into your driveway so plows can clear the street curb to curb and they'll have someplace to put the snow they move. Otherwise, your cars will be plowed in. And digging out a driveway is easier than digging out individual cars.

- **Uncover Storm Drain Inlets :** if melting snow has no place to drain, it causes street icing and flooding.

- **Clearing Your Sidewalk :** the owner of property abutting a sidewalk is required to remove snow from the sidewalk within 48 hours after the snow has fallen (Howard County Code). This also applies to townhouse and condominium associations.

- **Trash & Recycling Collection . .** . go ahead and put trash out if it snows on your trash collection day - it will be collected the following day if roads are passable. Recycling should be put out the following week. Call 410/313-SORT for information

Where To Go For More Snow Info

❄Snow Emergency Info 410/313-2900

❄Bureau of Highways 410/313-7450

❄Bureau of Utilities 410/313-4900

❄Bureau of Environmental Services 410/313-6444

On the Internet:

❄County - www.co.ho.md.us ~Click on the Snowflake Icon to track snow removal

❄State - www.chart.state.md.us/

❄School Closings - www.schoolsout.com or www.hcpss.org