

Date: January 17, 2025

To: GMHA Tenants

Re: Extreme Weather



If you have watched a recent weather report, you are aware Ohio will be experiencing another extremely cold weather event on Monday (MLK Holiday) and Tuesday next week. Please take prudent steps to prepare for the extreme cold including such actions as:

- Please see attached flyer for space heater and candle safety tips.
- Keep space heaters at least three feet from flammable objects.
- Avoid leaving heated blankets unattended or switched on overnight.
- For apartment units, advise tenants to open the counter cabinet doors on exterior walls for warm air circulation to pipes.
- Have reliable backup power in place to provide continuous power to your building even if there's an outage - the last thing you want to have happen is a loss of power that allows pipes to freeze.
- Insulate any pipes located in vulnerable areas, like exterior walls or unheated basement spaces.
- Find a way to heat your sprinkler control room if it's normally unheated.
- Turn off the main water supply and drain the water lines for any temporarily vacant single-family homes and assure temperature is maintained at a minimum of 55 degrees.

We appreciate your help with these matters; please **stay warm and safe!**

