



Dayton Declares Local State of Emergency

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As Winter Storm Fern moves into the region, the City of Dayton has declared a Local State of Emergency, effective immediately, to ensure a coordinated response and protect the lives, safety, and health of residents.

This action follows the statewide emergency declaration issued earlier today by Governor Mike DeWine and is in response to the imminent threat posed by freezing rain, heavy snow, extreme cold, and high winds. The storm is expected to disrupt normal daily life, create hazardous travel conditions, and impact essential services.

The emergency declaration allows City leadership to:

- Activate the Emergency Operations Plan and take protective actions as conditions change.
- Procure critical equipment, supplies, and services through emergency contracts.
- Deploy personnel and resources to support public safety, and emergency operations.
- Ensure continuity of government with minimal interruption.

City employees and departments are fully mobilized to carry out emergency operations in coordination with state and local authorities. Residents are asked to follow official guidance, comply with emergency measures, and stay safe by heeding instructions from authorized personnel.

[Read the full declaration here.](#)

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