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President Donald Trump will be taking many more trips before the midterm election to sell his economic message and roll out new policies. ALEX BRANDON VIA REUTERS

Trump aides, allies weigh in on Year 2

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Donald Trump returned to the presidency with a bang, rushing through his MAGA wish list in a shock-and-awe first year back that has ignited growing resistance and tested his iron grip on the GOP.

Administration officials and allies say they still have big plans for Year 2, and 2026 began with U.S. troops capturing Venezuela's president and Trump issuing populist decrees on housing and credit card rates.

"There's no limitation to his desire to drive news cycles," said Marc Short, Trump's legislative director during his first term and later Vice President Mike Pence's chief of staff.

But even Republicans say Trump's prospects for more major changes this year are uncertain as the looming mid-

term election narrows what's politically possible for the 79-year-old president, Congress looks increasingly deadlocked, public opposition mounts to his aggressive moves at home and abroad, and the central issue for many Americans – high cost of living – defies easy solutions.

Some allies predict the Trump administration will push policies with broad appeal in his second year as GOP lawmakers face tough reelection campaigns. They already are campaigning around an argument that Democratic majorities in Washington would usher in aggressive oversight of Trump and the possibility of impeachment.

Rep. Greg Steube, R-Florida, said he expects the White House to pursue an agenda that helps Republicans in "tough swing districts."

Trump has seized on investigations into fraud in federal programs in Min-



President Donald Trump and lawmakers face the prospect of another government shutdown as a Jan. 30 deadline looms for several must-pass bills to fund federal agencies. JACK GRUBER/USA TODAY

nesota to promise a nationwide anti-fraud campaign while also threatening to cut off federal money to "sanctuary" cities and states that defy federal immigration enforcement efforts.

Yet the president has struggled to

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Ohio State student Adam Kashk of Toledo walks through campus on Jan. 19. A cold weather advisory in the area could see wind chills falling as low as 15 below zero.

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Central IL expecting bitter cold temps

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SPRINGFIELD – Central Illinois and the capital city will be seeing another round of bitter cold temperatures this weekend.

Temperatures are set to turn sharply colder by late week, according to the National Weather Service.

There is an increasing likelihood of bitter cold wind chills Friday through Saturday, a weather graphic shows. Springfield is predicted to experience a -15-degree minimum wind chill forecast from Jan. 23 to Jan. 24.

According to the Detailed Forecast for Springfield, the temperature will drop from a high near 32 on Thursday to a low around 3 on Thursday night.

Friday will be partly sunny and cold, with a high near 7. Friday night will be mostly cloudy with a low around -1.

Saturday shows a 30% chance of snow after noon. It will be mostly cloudy with a high near 13. Saturday night is predicted to see a 30% chance of snow before midnight. It will be mostly cloudy, with a low around 6.

Sunday will be mostly sunny, with a high near 19.

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Six things to do this weekend in the Galesburg area

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The weekend brings the Jerome Mirza Residency Concert and the annual Healthy Living Fest, along with fundraisers, live music and more to the Galesburg area.

Jerome Mirza Residency Concert

What: The 13th annual Jerome Mirza Jazz Residency culminates in a special performance by Shadowlands, the collaboration between Grammy-nominated jazz trumpeter John Raymond and Bon Iver sideman, S. Carey. Shadowlands transcends genres—melding indie folk, forward-thinking jazz, lush pop

and atmospheric electronic textures into a one-of-a-kind musical experience. Their performances move effortlessly between soaring, anthemic moments and intimate, meditative soundscapes. The residency brings world-class artists to Knox College each year for a week of workshops, masterclasses and community engagement thanks to the Jerome Mirza Foundation.

When: 7-9:30 p.m. Jan. 23
Where: The Orpheum Theatre, 57 S. Kellogg St., Galesburg
Cost: Free admission

Night at the Museum

What: Kick-off the movie series with "Night at The Museum." This year marks the movie's 20th anniversary. It is about

a newly-recruited night security guard at the Museum of Natural History who discovers that an ancient curse causes the animals and exhibits on display to come to life and wreak havoc.

When: 2-4 or 7-9 p.m. Jan. 24
Where: Orpheum Theatre, 57 S. Kellogg Ave., Galesburg
Cost: Free admission

Witbit Swim

What: A partial WiBit will be in the water and available for use by all level swimmers at this family swim time. The diving board will not be open. Swimmers age 8 and younger must have an adult within arms' reach at all times unless a swim test is passed. Swimmers age 12 and younger must have an adult

in the building at all times.

When: 1-4 p.m. Jan. 24
Where: Hawthorne Pool, 2331 Veterans Drive, Galesburg
Cost: \$5

Craft Wildlife Binoculars

What: Stop by the art studio to design your own pair of craft binoculars.
When: 1-3 p.m. Jan. 24
Where: Discovery Depot, 128 S. Chambers St., Galesburg
Cost: Free with paid admission

Healthy Living Fest

What: There will be demonstrations,

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