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Warming shelters announced ahead of freezing temperatures in Jackson

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In preparation for freezing temperatures throughout the southeastern United States, the City of Jackson announces its emergency plan for the inclement weather ahead.

From the night of January 23 through the night of January 27, First United Methodist Church, located at 200 S Church St, and the TR White Sports Complex, located at 304 N Hays Ave, will serve as the city's temporary warming shelters.

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Frozen pipes? Here's what steps you can take to safely thaw them out. **2A**

Note to readers

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MLK DAY IN JACKSON

ABOVE: JCM student Amanna Anyanwu speaks before a march down to Mt. Zion Baptist for MLK Day in Jackson on Jan. 19.

TOP: Attendees walk down the intersection of East Main Street and North Highland as they march down to Mt. Zion Baptist for MLK Day in Jackson on Jan. 19.

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Residents march through downtown, hear prayer at local church

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In honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day, a large crowd of Jacksonians marched through the streets of downtown.

The Jan. 19 march began on a cold winter morning, departing from the T.R. White Sportsplex and heading one mile down the road to Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church.

The day started with breakfast at T.R. White, where a packed room heard from an array of speakers, including many high school and college students, who shared poetry and powerful testimonies.

One of them was 14-year-old Amanna Anyanwu, who juxtaposed various events in African-American history with racism in modern-day America.

"What I wanted to communicate to the people is just that I wanted them to know that racism today is just getting worse and worse," Anyanwu said.

"I want it to stop in the future, and by teaching our children or the next generation better things. In the past, it shows the bad things that we did, that doesn't mean it's just going to make our future's fate, we can change."

President of the Jackson-Madison County Branch of the NAACP, Harrell Carter, says the annual event's theme this year is "the fierce urgency of now."

He also echoed the importance of young people getting involved in advocacy work.

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Trump touts launch of Board of Peace

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President Donald Trump wrapped up a high-profile trip to the World Economic Forum international summit Jan. 22 touting the launch of a yet-to-be-defined peace initiative and success in expanding the U.S. footprint in Greenland.

He told Fox Business anchor Maria Bartiromo that the United States will have "total access" to Greenland as a result of a deal he said he negotiated, and will build as many military bases as it wants on the Arctic island.

The framework is still being worked out, Trump said, but "we're getting everything we want at no cost."

He conceded the United States may not end up formally acquiring the Danish territory, which he had previously insisted upon. "Well, I don't know if I could say that, but it could be. It's possible. Anything's possible," Trump said of U.S. ownership.

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President Donald Trump takes part in a charter announcement for his Board of Peace initiative aimed at resolving global conflicts on Jan. 22 in Davos, Switzerland. JONATHAN ERNST/REUTERS

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