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Pikes Peak Chapter

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A shelter is open at the campus of Missouri Southern State Univ.:

Legget & Platt Athletic Center
3950 Newman Road
Joplin, MO 64801

Jasper County Animal Control is now on site at the Joplin MO Shelter to help accommodate the pets of those who are in need of shelter due to the storms that stuck the Joplin area tonight.

Missouri -

Severe weather currently making its way through the central midwest and the plains, and we know Joplin, MO has been hard-hit.

If you are seeking information about a loved one, you can check our [Safe and Well](#) site to see if they have checked in as being safe and well. If you are in the affected area, or know of someone in the affected area who is okay, you can also check in on the site.

Additional Shelter information will become available on our [shelter map](#) as they are opened.

Please stay tuned to your local authorities and take cover if advised.

[Tornado Safety Checklist](#)

We'll keep you updated as we get information, but you can follow [@redcross](#) and [local Red Cross offices](#).

If you want to volunteer to help, please call **2-1-1** if you are in the Ozarks area, or **1-800-427-4626** if you are outside the area.

You can see all the tweets about Joplin by searching [#Joplin](#)

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies nearly half of the nation's blood; teaches lifesaving skills; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a charitable organization — not a government agency — and depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please contact the Pikes Peak Chapter at 719-632-3563 or visit [www.pparc.org](#).

