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**AMERICAN RED CROSS SHELTER TO OPEN AT FAIRGROUNDS**

Turlock, CA — The American Red Cross is relocating its current shelter in Patterson to the Stanislaus County Fairgrounds Turf Club building on Sunday, February 19, 2017 at 4 p.m. This move is being done to allow for more capacity, if needed as another storm approaches Stanislaus County.

This current weather system is forecasted to last through Saturday, and will be followed by a short break Sunday. More rainfall is expected to return Monday, February 20 and last through at least Tuesday. Saturated soils coupled with high winds Friday and Monday could potentially result in toppled trees and power lines.

“The fairgrounds facility is here to help shelter anyone affected with the floods,” said Matt Cranford, chief executive office of the Stanislaus County Fairgrounds. “We are working diligently with the Red Cross to assist our community and make sure residents have a place to shelter.”

To reach the fairgrounds Turf Club facility from Highway 99 take the Fulkerth exit; left on Fulkerth; then a right on Soderquist Road. The facility is located on the left side of Soderquist.

**RESOURCE REMINDERS:**

- For emergencies, dial **911**
- Stanislaus County Office of Emergency Services Public Information Line 8AM-8PM: **209-552-3899 or 1-877-216-5702**
- Red Cross Shelter: **1-844-236-0153**

**Stay Updated on Current Information:** To sign up for emergency notification from Stanislaus OES please register at [www.stanaware.com](http://www.stanaware.com). You can receive emergency notification via text, phone call or email for your residence or another family member’s residence.

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