

Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians Tornado Shelter Locations

TORNADO SHELTER LOCATIONS

#	Tornado Shelter	Location	Address	Longitude/Latitude
1	Elder's	West side of Elder's Complex (behind complex)	11201 Ki-Dah-Keh Drive - behind	45° 01'13N – 085° 37' 53W
2	Elder's	East side of Elder's Complex (near cul-de-sac in front)	11201 Ki-Dah-Keh Drive – front	45° 01'10N – 085° 37' 50W
3	Peshawbestown	Peshawbestown Road near weather monitoring station	2809 NW Bay Shore Drive .09 mi south of Putnam Rd – West side	45° 01'43N – 085° 37' 40W
4	Antrim	Antrim near playground area	Cherry Avenue, Kewadin – Wingash-Mikun, Rapid City	45° 12'32N – 085° 11' 01W
5	Benzie	Benzie Community Center near pow-wow grounds	7282 Hoadley Road, Benzonia	44° 35'21N – 086° 05' 34W
6	Charlevoix	Charlevoix Community Center near playground area	10085 Wa-Ba-Noong-Mi-Kun	45° 12'33N – 085° 11' 03W

Tornado Shelter Guidelines located on tribal lands:

1. The shelters were designed and installed for the safety and protection of the residents without basements in their homes for sheltering during a tornado event. Each shelter will hold approximately 24 people. That number may be reduced, depending on pets and items carried.
2. When a tornado ***watch*** is announced, it means that weather conditions are where severe storms ***could*** produce a tornado. At this time you should have the previously prepared kit accessible, remain alert for approaching storms. Watch the sky and stay tuned to NOAA Weather Radio, commercial radio, or television for information.
3. When a tornado ***warning*** is announced, it means that a tornado ***has*** been sighted or has been indicated by weather radar. At this time you should take your emergency kit and immediately seek shelter.

4. Each household should have an emergency kit readily located within their home that they could take with them to the designated shelter area. The kit should be stocked with a flashlight (batteries left out), non-perishable food (for you and your pets), a radio (batteries left out), minor medical kit, and enough fresh drinking water for all family members and pets.
5. Each shelter locked from October 1st until April 1st for the winter months.
6. There are three (3) storm shelters located on the reservation.
 - * The first unit is located [behind the Elder's complex](#),
 - * Second unit is located near the [cul-de-sac in front of the Elder's complex on Ki-Dah-Keh](#)
 - * Third unit is located on [Peshawbestown Road near the Natural Resources weather monitoring station](#).
7. One unit is located near the playground equipment at the [Charlevoix Satellite Office](#),
8. One unit located near the Pow-Wow grounds at the [Benzie Satellite Office](#)
9. One unit located near the playground area at [Housing Office in Peshawbestown](#).

WEATHER SIREN

1. GTB has a **weather Siren** located by the Pow-Wow grounds in Peshawbestown, activated April 1st to October 1st each year by Leelanau County Emergency Management Office Dispatch Center for monthly tests.
2. Annual community notifications of siren tests are placed in the GTB Newsletter March and October.
3. If there is inclement weather, Leelanau County will activate the Siren and community members should understand why the Siren is being activated (inclement weather) and seek immediate shelter.
4. GTB Tribal Government conducts staff annual tornado, inclement weather and fire drills.
5. Emergency preparedness web sites are provided on the Grand Traverse Band website under Emergency Management to assist community members on emergency preparedness.