Food Assistance Provider Resource List

Please see the Food Council’s Food Assistance Provider Tracking Document for the most updated list of COVID-19 procedures and provider needs. Please update your entry on a weekly basis by sending an email to Amanda Nesher (anesher@mocofoodcouncil)

- **Financial Resources**
  - Specific new resources available
    - No Kid Hungry emergency grant to get nutritious food to kids
    - Expensify SNAP reimbursement up to $50
    - Thrive Market relief fund (up to $150 per family in need, also they can coordinate the delivering of groceries to vulnerable people)
    - COVID-19 Emergency Relief GRANT fund: up to $10k to businesses for payroll, rent, etc. and COVID-19 Emergency Relief LOAN Fund: Loans up to $50k. Zero interest rate for up to 12 months.
    - County Emergency Funds to soon become available - $5 million to be set aside for food assistance.

- **Food**
  - If you are interested in picking up fresh produce from Coosemans DC, located in the Maryland Food Center in Jessup, please email Jessica Weiss at growingSOULorg@gmail.com or even better, text her at 301-537-7422 (301-JESSICA)
  - Community Food Drives & Donations
  - Community Food Rescue
  - MCPS School Meals Distribution locations - please refer any participants with children to this program to ensure families are receiving as much food as they can at this time.
  - Elaine Chang-Baxter (Elaine_L_Chang-Baxter@mcpsmd.org; MCPS Partnerships Unit) invites entities to contact her for financial needs as they relate to feeding students.

- **Sanitizing Equipment**
  - Sanitation and hygiene supplies from the County- possibly in the future
  - Log your own resource requests through WebEOC to the OEMHS - https://forms.gle/yAg3MUXBXolWDnUe9
  - Twin Valley Distillers is selling hand sanitizer
  - Pat Drumming reported finding plenty of gloves for sale at Shop Rite on 3/23

- **Non-food resources**
  - Bags for prepacked food distribution
    - Aldi
- Takoma Park Silver Spring Co-op
  - Uline is delivering 1000 paper and 1000 plastic bags to Saint Luke Lutheran on Tue. Call (800) 295-5510
- SNAP Applications - Maryland Hunger Solutions has a toll-free number for providing support enrolling residents in SNAP 1-866-821-5552
- Please reach out to Netta Squires (netta.squires@montgomerycountymd.gov) from OEMHS if you need to supply items to special populations (e.g. diapers, baby food, educational supplies for schoolchildren). OEMHS has activated CERT in support of the mission to deliver food and other essential supplies to special populations. The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for the hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations.
- Diapers - The Greater DC Diaper Bank is looking for food assistance partners in Montgomery County to partner with to provide diaper distributions. Please reach out to Corinne Cannon - ccannon@greaterdcdiaperbank.org, 202-656-8503

- **Volunteers**
  - [Capital Area Food Bank](#) and [Manna Food Center](#) have forms to fill in if you would like to volunteer
  - Please update your entries on the Volunteer Center website as per their COVID-19 response instructions (agencies can add requests for donations as well as volunteers on the Volunteer Center website as "opportunities". Volunteer Center team can help get these things posted for you if you need help - molly.callaway@montgomerycountymd.gov)
  - Netta Squires with OEMHS can also help with providing volunteers from the CERT team (above)
  - [Guidelines](#) on keeping volunteers safe and healthy
  - “Teens Helping Seniors” provides no-contact grocery deliveries to senior citizens and those at risk of going outside. The organization is made up of five teens from three different high schools throughout the county. So far, they’ve made about a dozen deliveries. However, they say due to high demand, there’s a need for more teens (or young adults) to join. Anyone who wishes to volunteer with Teens Helping Seniors or who wants to inquire about grocery deliveries is asked to email teenshelpingseniors@gmail.com.

- **Other needs/resources?**
  - Amazon Wish lists - once you’ve set yours up, send the link to us and we will put in the tracking document and distribute via email
- Rockville HELP needs new site location - nonprofit or faith institution, need 10’ x 14’ space to store the food.
- Please email the Food Council (anesher@mocofoodcouncil.org) and Jenna Umbriac (jenna@mannafood.org) if you know of any underserved areas or populations.

**Communications**
- County COVID-19 Hotline Number: 240 777 1755
- The Faith Community Advisory Council’s newsletter is sent out periodically with resources for faith communities. Please send updates on resources available and needs that may be met by faith communities. Send to mmkaseman@gmail.com