A Primer on Pandemic Food Resources

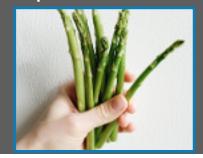
West Los Angeles/Santa Monica



Tens of thousands of households are experiencing food insecurity for the first time. Here is a primer on how to access food resources in the days ahead.

Food Banks and Food Pantries

Visit the Westside Food Bank website for a listing of pantries and food banks situated in the greater Westside of Los Angeles. (wsfb.org) When searching for a food bank or pantry consider geographic location (perhaps one closest to you) and whether you want a drive through or pick up. Also note that during the pandemic most food banks and pantries have lessened or eliminated requirements or criteria to participate.



Free Meals During School Closures

Meals are available for children (18 and under) enrolled in Los Angeles Unified School District while school is out. Find your closest COVID-19 Grab & Go Food Center at the LAUSD COVID-19 Resources page,

https://achieve.lausd.net/resources

LAUSD Grab & Go Food
Centers List

tinyurl.com/2un6bfvf

or <u>LAUSD Food Services page</u>.

tinyurl.com/pqsdlivf

CalFresh
(and Pandemic EBT)

You may qualify for CalFresh, California's food stamps (SNAP) program. Apply to get up to \$192 a month per household member on an EBT card at getcalfresh.org or call the Los Angeles County Health and Nutrition Hotline at (877) 597-4777.

Download the People's Guide 2020

You may qualify for community services listed in the

People's Guide to
Health, Welfare and
Other Services for
LA County. Available
to download in
English or en
Espanol

tinyurl.com/ywem4gat



NourishLA Food Distributions

Saint Mark Church

Saturdays 11am-1pm 940 Coeur D' Alene Ave, Venice, CA 90291 Enter on Garfield west of Lincoln Drive through and walk-up

Wood Cafe

pantry

Sundays 1:30pm-3:00pm 12000 W Washington Blvd. Culver City, CA 90066 Drive through and walk-up pantry

Food Donations accepted Sundays from 11am - 1pm

For info https://nourish.la

City of Santa Monica Free Food Resources



Click here for several additional free food resources available for people residing in or near Santa

Monica

tinyurl.com/lu6jo3uo



Backpacks for Kids Food Program

The Backpacks for Kids Program, sponsored by the Culver City Unified School District Council PTA (CCCPTA) provides nutritious, child-friendly, easy-to-prepare food each week so children don't have to deal with food insecurity on the weekends. ccbackpacksforkids.com





End Note

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