

March 16, 2020

Re: Deerfield Community Center & COVID-19 Virus

Community centers (like DCC) bring people together. It's what we do. When there's a crisis, we want to mobilize our people, get out there, and get to work. And now we're supposed to keep people apart.

Coronavirus is challenging us, and we are working hard to find a thoughtful, generous and proactive path forward. How can we both support those most vulnerable to the disease and those who will suffer the biggest financial disruptions from the response, recognizing that they are often the same people getting hit twice?

Here's what we are doing so far:

- Our before and after school programs will be open when the schools are open and will close when schools close. We have staff members that are willing to help out with in-home childcare, if needed. You can contact julie.schwenn@dccenter.org to obtain that list or to add your high schooler to that list if they are interested in this opportunity.
- All Senior Gathering Programs will be closed until further notice. We will be identifying needs of seniors and addressing them with deliveries to their homes.
- We will be restructuring our food programs to provide needed food to families while minimizing person-to-person contact at our facility.
- We will be working to identify other needs and the resources to address them safely.
- Our DCC Girls Volleyball Program has been cancelled until further notice.
- All ongoing registration for Soccer, Baseball (AL, NL & Teener leagues), and Summer Camp is still being accepted.
- While we are making efforts to keep our doors open during these challenging times, we are significantly reducing the number of people in the Center per suggestions from the Department of Public Health.
- Reservations to use the DCC may be cancelled or rescheduled based on the size of the event and timing. Contact us at julie.schwenn@dccenter.org to discuss

I know that many of you are looking for ways to help. If you want to be on the list of people we call on as we learn of new needs and opportunities, please email julie.schwenn@dccenter.org or leave a message at 608.764.5935 ex 2..

Thank you for everything you are doing (and everything you are rigorously not doing) to help keep our neighbors healthy.

Sincerely,
Deerfield Community Center



FOOD PANTRY CHANGES

Effective immediately until further notice.

In light of the Coronavirus and its potential impact on local families we are increasing the times the DCC Food Pantry is open to help families in need.

All food pantry requests must be made over the phone on Tuesdays (8AM-2PM) for Wednesday pick up and Fridays (8AM-12PM) for Saturday pick up. Pick up will take place on the back (North) side of our building. Pick up times will be set during that phone call. Requests can be placed by calling 608.764.5935 ex 2 or ex 4

All requests will be pre-packaged by Food Pantry Volunteers and brought out to your car when you arrive. We will do our best to honor all requests. Supplies may be limited.

When you call us be prepared with the following:

- Name
- Number of people in your household
- Your requests using the following list



DCC FOOD PANTRY REQUEST FORM

HOUSEHOLD NAME: HOUSEHOLD SIZE:

SHELF ITEMS

- KLEENEX
- PERSONAL HYGIENE ITEMS
- o CEREAL
- SHELF MILK
- ORANGE JUICE
- o SOUP
- o PASTA

CANNED VEGETABLES

- MIXED VEGETABLES
- o CORN
- CARROTS
- GREEN BEANS
- POTATOES
- INSTANT POTATOES
- TOMATO SAUCE
- DICED TOMATOES

CANNED FRUIT

- o **PEACHES**
- MIXED FRUIT
- o PEARS
- RAISINS

COMPLETE MEALS

- CANNED RAVIOLI
- CANNED SPAGHETTIOS
- HAMBURGER HELPER
- TUNA HELPER
- CHICKEN HELPER
- RICE MEAL
- MAC & CHEESE

PICK UP TIME:

PROTEINS

- CANNED TUNA
- CANNED PORK
- PEANUT BUTTER
- BLACK BEANS
- KIDNEY BEANS

CONDIMENTS

- SPAGHETTI SAUCE
- MUSTARD
- KETCHUP
- MAYO
- TACO SAUCE
- MAYOCHUP

FREEZER

- o HAM
- GROUND BEEF
- SAUSAGE LINKS
- FISH STICKS
- PORK LOIN
- o PIZZA ROLLS
- PORK TACO FILLING

COOLER

- o EGGS
- o CHEESE
- o MILK
- o **BUTTER**
- ENGLISH MUFFINS

ASSORTED ITEMS (IF AVAILABLE)

- PANERA ITEMS
- KWIK TRIP ITEMS
- o BREAD
- FRESH PRODUCE