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All Locations

State Department of Education

Child Nutrition Feeding sites state wide search

<https://www.sde.idaho.gov/cnp/index.html?fbclid=IwAR36vNwupfl-9m64TcYSCQFqNm0UgzwEHDtWGLEiYufeCCJ23-XPGWeEONQ>

Smith's

Smith's Food & Drug Stores will dedicate the first hour on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7:00 am to 8:00 am, solely to the shopping needs of senior citizens until further notice.

Boise Area

Boise Co-op

hour exclusively for our 60+ community, 7 days a week from 8 am to 9 am. Please bring ID for age verification.

Whole Foods

service customers who are 60 and older one hour before opening to the general public. 8 to 9 am for Seniors only.

Caldwell Area

Twin Falls Area

Twin Falls Snake River Yellow Cab and Eagle One

Will pick up and deliver food. They can't shop for people they will need to be call in orders and NO EBT cards are allowed to be used for the providers.

SILC Updates

Consumable Medical Supplies: We connected with NORCO yesterday and they indicated they do not anticipate shortages of consumable medical supplies. This is only one provider, and they have local offices. We know many people order supplies online. If you identify shortages of

specific items, let us know. NORCO will drop ship if requested. If the situation with NORCO supplies changes, we will be updated.

Distilled Water: The need for distilled water for medical equipment was identified. We made contact with Culligan in Boise and discussed the difference between distilled (which is not readily produced locally it appears) and purified water. We are running down technical information on the use of purified water over distilled in equipment. If the answer is yes, you can use purified, we can push that info out through our collective channels. Will keep you posted on this.

Food: Idaho Foodbank does not anticipate shortages of food, but is anticipating shortages of volunteers. Food distribution happens through individual pantries, and adjustments are being made to reduce transmission in pantries and making it easier for volunteers to pickup goods to deliver to people at home. IFB does not do home food delivery, so this could be a capability gap. Pantries are being encouraged to shift to the drive-through model if possible. We reached out to Team Rubicon, a veterans disaster volunteer organization, and food and medical supply delivery is within their capability.

Accessible Communication: Producing information in plain text (3rd grade or lower) and making sure we have ASL interpreters for any news conference were identified as a need. It sounds like Steven Snow is working on guidance that can be distributed to public health and emergency management staff, and his office is available as a resource (correct me if I'm wrong here, Steven.) If you have plain text needs, reach out to us, and we know a few folks who are good at helping make that translation.

Transportation: Valley Regional Transit reported Tuesday that they will continue to provide services (including Access/Paratransit) until directed by a health agency to stop. We might want to make sure the importance of Access/Paratransit is understood by health officials so they can include this information in any calculation/decision/guidance they make.