COVID-19 Resident Resources

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) has been signed into law, providing over $2 trillion in federally-funded aid. Further directions and guidance for implementation will follow soon.

The deadline for filing taxes has been extended to July 15, 2020. [More information.]

The Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) has been adopted, effective April 1, 2020. This Act provides funding for programs and initiatives combating the spread and effects of COVID-19, as well as funding for employees and businesses impacted. [Read a summary of the legislation.]

The following is a list of resources available to residents of South Salt Lake who are dealing with the direct and indirect effects of the COVID-19 outbreak. As a city, we must work together to ensure that all our residents are kept aware of the situation as it develops, as well as any options and opportunities to help others and be helped. If you have further questions, please call the Utah Coronavirus Information Line: 1-800-456-7707

Need Help?

The following resources are available to assist residents who are struggling with conditions resulting from the COVID-19 outbreak.

FOOD/MEDICAL DELIVERY/PICKUP OPTIONS
- Granite School District will continue providing meals to all of its students. These will be available through Friday, May 1. There are several options for receiving your meals:
  - School cafeteria workers will take mobile meals to Sunnyvale Park, where students may pick them up from 11:30am to 1pm every weekday.
  - School buses will park at designated stops and handing out meals in the morning and at mid-day every weekday.
  - All Granite Park schools remain open and serving weekday meals. Students should come to the entrance nearest to the parking lot.

For more instructions, read the Granite School District “[Meal Service FAQs]” and “[Student Dismissal Extended Through May]”.

You can also learn more about COVID-19 and [its effects on children].
• COVID Mutual Aid is a nonprofit providing food, prescription and medical supplies dropoff, prioritizing folks who are sick, disabled, quarantined without pay, elderly, undocumented, queer, Black, Indigenous, and/or people of color. Read their online form to learn more.

• Columbus Senior Center, in partnership with Meals on Wheels, will be providing both delivery and pickup meals for elderly residents. For either service, please call 385-468-3340 the day before you would like to receive your meal.

If you do not have reliable transportation, please provide your address for our delivery drivers. If you are picking up your meal, stop by the Center between 11:30am and 1:30pm. Your meal will be safely delivered directly to your vehicle. As recommended by the CDC, all pickups and deliveries will be handled with an abundance of caution, with drivers and workers avoiding direct contact with residents and one another.

• Utah Food Bank provides several helpful services, and is continuing the regular operation of food pantries throughout Utah. Check out their calendar for more information on mobile pantries, where you can pick up meals in lieu of visiting your local food pantry. The Food Bank also runs the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP), which provides elderly residents with a free monthly food box (good for 10 days). Fill out the application here. Funding for local food banks has been increased under the FFCRA.

• Salt Lake County Meals on Wheels is continuing their regular services for elderly residents of the county, though drivers will be taking extra precautions to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Call 385.468.3200, or see their full document for more info.

• The Utah Women, Infants and Children (WIC) provides meals and services to pregnant and breastfeeding women, as well as young children. Learn more or apply for benefits. WIC funding has been expanded under the FFCRA for low-income pregnant women and mothers who have lost employment due to COVID-19.

HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION

• Utah Unemployment Insurance provides health coverage for those who are unemployed through no fault of their own. If you have lost your job as a result of the impacts of COVID-19, you may qualify. Learn more.
• Medicare provides health coverage for elderly residents and those with severe chronic illnesses. Given that these patients are at a heightened risk from COVID-19, Medicare covers lab testing for the virus, all “medically necessary hospitalizations”, and access to any potential vaccines or medication which is forthcoming. See their webpage for more information.

• Utah Medicaid covers medical expenses for those with limited income and resources. If you do not have health insurance, click here to see if you qualify for Medicaid coverage. You can also apply for Medicaid benefits here. Funding for Medicaid has been increased under the FFCRA.

• COBRA Continuation Coverage provides health insurance coverage for those who are experiencing a lapse in employment. If you are no longer employed due to the effects of COVID-19, you may qualify for continued health care coverage. Learn more about COBRA.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

• United Way of Utah has established a Community Response Fund for COVID-19 which gets residents in touch with:
  ○ Housing and homelessness assistance
  ○ Childcare assistance
  ○ Healthcare services for vulnerable populations
  ○ 211 information and referral

  211 is an excellent resource for all residents in need, as it will direct you to many available resources and opportunities, depending on your situation.

• Intermountain Healthcare offers a virtual check-up option which will allow doctors to determine whether you should be tested for COVID-19 symptoms. This prevents the possibility of transmission associated with visits to the doctor’s office.

Volunteer/Donate Today

If you have the time or resources, there are many opportunities to donate and volunteer with helpful community programs. See the following list of links for more information on each.

• Granite School District: DONATE HERE; VOLUNTEER INFO HERE
COVID Mutual Aid: DONATE HERE, or contact the organization at covid19mutualaidslc@gmail.com to VOLUNTEER.

Columbus Senior Center: DONATE HERE, or call 385.468.3240 to learn about volunteering opportunities

Utah Food Bank: SPONSOR/SUPPORT A VIRTUAL FOOD DRIVE HERE; to volunteer, call 801-887-1234. Please read updated volunteering guidelines regarding the COVID-19 outbreak.

Meals on Wheels: DONATE HERE; VOLUNTEER INFO HERE

United Way of Utah: DONATE TO COMMUNITY RESPONSE FUND
Volunteering opportunities presently suspended