

COVID-19 EMERGENCY LIST from ORD

Updated 3/25/20, and changing constantly!

FOOD SERVICES:

-Schools are open for meals for students **ALL people under 18 years old**, not just those already on the meal plan.

<https://coronavirus.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/coronavirus/publication/attachments/Meal%20Sites03192020%40930am.pdf>

-THANKS to Jose Andres, 3 of his DC restaurants are still open to those in need: **Oyamel, American Eats Tavern, and Zaytinya!** 12:00pm-5:00pm every day via restaurant side doors. Individuals can get food more than once a day.

-**SOME** (71 O Street NW) is giving out **box meals and emergency services** (clothing supplies). Food boxes 8:00am-10am. Clothing room open Tuesdays and Fridays from 9:00am-12:30pm. Their case management services have been suspended.

-**Father McKenna Center** (900 North Capitol Street NW- in front of St. Aloysius Church) is distributing groceries daily from 1:30pm-4:00pm, must bring ID/proof of residency.

Other food options can be found in the links below:

<https://coronavirus.dc.gov/page/coronavirus-covid-19-resources>

[COVID-19 Non-Legal Resource Guide](#) and will be editing it regularly to include up-to-date information on available services.

(We are also working on a Spanish translation of this guide and will soon circulate this as well.)

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR HOUSING:

-DC MUTUAL AID NETWORK is providing financial assistance for housing and other needs. <http://www.grassrootsdc.org/2020/03/supporting-covid-19-mutual-aid-efforts/>

REENTRY SERVICES:

-READY CENTER for those released from the jails (GREAT WORK TRIAL DIVISION!!)

Director of READY, “JK”, is working on a triage schedule and still seeing clients and getting them signed up for services. Call his cell (202-431-0994) to give him any client updates and for any READY updates! They are still signing up individuals for IDs (if by chance client has original birth certificate and SS card, they receive a non-driver’s ID for 6 months), DBH appointments, DHS (food stamps “SNAP” and Medicaid), and DOES.

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES:

-DOES (Dept. of Employment Services) is not holding Project Empowerment classes until further notice but READY Center is still signing people up for classes. Workers Comp and for other information check out the dc government website.

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES:

-DBH (Dept. of Behavioral Health) - all current contract CSA (Core Service Agencies/mental health agencies) are changing their operations status regularly, but here is what we know as of now and we will continue to keep you posted as we learn new information. Link lists all CSAs and their contact information <https://dbh.dc.gov/node/119532>

Clients should call their mental health (CSA) agency before they travel to that office. It is best to have their case manager’s cell phone

number. **If clients and defense attorneys do not have a case manager's cell phone number, please call CSA immediately and obtain the cell phone number from the agency receptionist.**

-MBI (the largest) says that all consumers have cell phones for those staff who work for them. If your client cannot locate the cell phone call the office to get the cell phone (202) 464-5740.

-Community Connections office building (801 Penn Ave SE) is open 8:00am-12:00pm daily. After 12:00pm no one is allowed in building. They have at least one psychiatrist available Monday through Friday from 8:00am-12:00pm. Case Managers are working 8:00am-5:00pm with afternoon work in the community or from home. Call main 202-546-1512 for additional info.

-Hillcrest office hours are NW office M & W 8:30-3 and SE office T & Sat 8:30 – 3pm (202) 232-6100