

# Food Programs in the Time of COVID-19

June 2020



## Grab & Go Meals at Schools

**NYC:** Anyone in NYC who wants one, can get free meals at more than 400 Meal Hubs.

- Meals can be picked up 7:30am-11:30am for children and families and from 11:30am-1:30pm for adults.
- No registration or ID required
- To find a meal hub location near you: Go to [schools.nyc.gov](https://schools.nyc.gov). Text **“FOOD”** or **“COMIDA”** to 877-877

**Westchester:** Call our office at 914-948-8466 to find out about Grab & Go Meal locations

**Long Island:** Call our office at 631-231-2220 to find out about Grab & Go Meal locations

## (NYC) NYC food delivery program

- NYC is providing food delivery to individuals who have no members of the household who can go out and get food
- Households that qualify may order 3 days of food at a time for up to a month
- All orders will be delivered within 3 days of the order date
- Each delivery contains 3 days of food (9 meals per person but no household will receive more than 18 meals per delivery)
- Apply [HERE](#) or send a referral to the health team at Make the Road NY through Salesforce

## Food Pantries / Food Distribution

**NYC:** MRNY food pantries operate the following times:

- **Brooklyn** - Mondays & Fridays- 9:30am-2:30pm by appointment only (Call 866-365-2724 ext. 333 for an appointment for in person pick up or delivery)
- **Queens** - Wednesdays & Thursdays- 9:30-2:30pm by appointment only (Call 866-365-2724 ext. 333 for an appointment for in person pick up or delivery)
- **Staten Island** - Tuesdays- 4-5pm (first come first serve)
- Find a list of other food pantries in NYC [HERE](#) or call 866-888-8777

**Westchester:** MRNY distributes food in Westchester on Fridays from 12-5pm by appointment only. Call 914-948-8466 for an appointment

**Long Island:** Call 631-231-2220 to be connected to local food pantries

## SNAP (Food Stamp) enrollment

- Individuals can continue to enroll in SNAP benefits if they are eligible
- **NYC:** Call 866-365-2724 ext. 146 to speak with a Health Promotora from MRNY to assess eligibility and help with the application process
- **Westchester & Long Island:** Apply on-line at the [My Benefits New York](#) website.

## Pandemic EBT (P-EBT)

- Temporary food benefits for families of children between the ages of 5 and 18 (or 3-4 if in pre kindergarten) who are eligible for free or reduced priced school meals
- Eligible children are eligible for a one-time benefit of \$420 for each eligible child
- Money will be distributed between May and August 2020 (timeline and distribution method depends on if the individual is receiving other public benefits)
- There is no application process and funds will automatically be distributed