

# Food and Community Resources Throughout Carroll County

**Department of Citizen Services**10 Distillery Drive
Westminster, Md 21157

#### **Carroll County Public Schools**

- Free & Reduced Meals (FaRM)
  - FaRM is **not** affected by the Federal shutdown
  - Available at all Carroll County Public Schools. A government sponsored program that provides free or low-cost meals to children in school, based on federal income eligibility guidelines. Applications are being accepted. Contact students' school for information

#### Resources for Women, Infants and Children

- Women, Infant, and Children Program (WIC)
  - WIC not affected by the Federal shutdown
  - A government sponsored program providing nutritious food to pregnant and postpartum women, their infants and children up to age five. To apply, call 410-876-4898 or visit in person at Carroll County Health Department, 290 Center St, Westminster, MD 21157

#### **Supplemental Food Resources**

- Westminster Rescue Mission
  - Free Food Resource Guide
- The Shepard's Staff
  - Provides emergency food relief, coats and personal care essentials
  - Hours of operation: Mon, Tues, Fri 10am-2pm & Thurs 1pm-5pm. Call 410-857-5944 to schedule an appointment

#### 211 Maryland

- Community Resource Database Free searchable database of food pantries, produce boxes, soup kitchens and more. Refer to the <u>211 Maryland</u> website for more information.
- Maryland Food Bank
  - Provides online tool to "Find Food" based on your location.
  - https://mdfoodbank.org/

### **Unable to Travel?**Consider the following options:

- Carroll Transit System (CTS)
  - CTS provides door-to-door transportation within the county to Carroll County residents CTS also offers TrailBlazer, a fixed route service with 6 routes. Everyone can ride for any reason including grocery shopping. Click here for detailed information on routes/costs/scheduling a ride.

#### Caring Carroll

❖ Caring Carroll is a volunteer organization assisting with the nonmedical needs of older, isolated adults, 60+ years of age in Carroll County, Md. Caring Carroll provides transportation to their clientele. Contact Caring Carroll by phone at (410) 775-5596 before 2:00 pm, to inquired about pricing and eligibility for services.

#### **Community Action Agency**

- Human Services Programs of Carroll
   County (HSP) 410-857-2999
  - Call HSP or click <u>here</u> to inquire about:
  - Home energy program
  - Housing services
  - Employment program
  - Shelter Services
- Carroll County Senior and Community Centers Congregate Meal Programs
  - Lunch is served at 5 senior centers daily (click <u>here</u> for locations, menus, reservation guidelines, age requirements and times)
- Home Delivered Meal Program
  - The Division of Aging & Disabilities Home Delivered Meal Program is for people 60 years and older and their spouses of any age, who cannot shop for food or prepare meals because of illness and/or chronic physical disabilities. Click <a href="here">here</a> for details

## **Carroll County Division of Aging and Disabilities (DOAD)**

125 Stoner Ave. Westminster, Md

- Veteran Services
- Click on the following links to inquire about specific services for Veterans
  - Carroll County Veterans Services
     Programs
  - Carroll County Veterans Shuttle
     Transportation Program
  - Carroll County Veterans
     Independence Project (CCVIP)

#### **Resources for Older Adults**

- MAP (Maryland Access Point),
  - Referrals and information provided through <u>MAP</u> (Maryland Access Point), information and assistance program.
  - ❖ Additional programs and resources are listed in the annual <u>Resource Guide</u>

#### Emergency Meal Kits

Shelf stable emergency meal kits for adults aged 60 and older are available at the Division of Aging & Disabilities. Contact the Division to coordinate pick up: 410-386-3800/Maryland Relay Service 711/800-735-2258 125 Stoner Ave, Westminster, MD 21157

#### **How Can You Help?**

Review the list of local pantries or soup kitchens in the Carroll County Free Food Resource Guide and contact the food site directly to see how you can make the greatest impact.