

COVID-19 Resources

Michigan

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HOW TO USE THIS FACTSHEET

This factsheet provides the latest benefits and assistance available to eligible individuals, families and businesses in response to COVID-19. For additional information, please contact the organization directly using the provided contact information. As this is a rapidly evolving situation, we will be updating this factsheet as new benefits become available.

Have a question?

The Michigan NOVEL CORONAVIRUS
Disaster Distress
Helpline 1-800-985-5990.
Crisis Connections 1-866-427-4747

PLEASE CALL AHEAD TO CONFIRM OPERATING HOURS BEFORE VISITING



- Food Bank of Eastern Michigan – Distributes food, through a network of over 700 Hunger Relief Partners in 22 counties.
Contact | 1-810-239-4498 [Additional Information](#)
- Jackson Community Food Pantry - provides food to the Jackson Michigan area
Contact | 1-517-962-1005, email, jcfp70100@gmail.com [Additional Information](#)
- Open Hands Food Pantry – Open on Saturdays for the near future to serve guests. Food distribution will not include any frozen food, including meat at this time. Personal items will be limited to hand soap and toilet paper based on availability.
Contact | 1-248-546-1255 [Additional Information](#)
- Downtown Food Pantry Westminster Presbyterian Church - Open to all residence in the downtown Heartside area. The Pantry provides a 3–5 day supply of emergency food and personal care products to visitors, up to once every 30 days.
Contact | 1-616-456-6115 [Additional Information](#)
- Bread of Life Food Pantry – Assist families in Montcalm and Ionia counties.
Contact | 1-616-894-9873 [Additional Information](#)
- Acme Christian Thrift Store & Food Pantry – Provides food and clothing for homeless.
Contact | 1-231-938-2990, email actsstorepantry@gmail.com [Additional Information](#)





- Branch Area Food Pantry – Due to Covid 19 virus restrictions, the Pantry is currently open Tuesdays only, 10:00-2:00.
Contact | 1-517-279-0966 [Additional Information](#)
- Brooklyn Food Pantry – Providing Food Assistance to Families and Individuals.
Contact | 1-517-612-8771, email, info@brooklynfoodpantry.org [Additional Information](#)
- Allegan County Food Pantry – Providing essential food for those in need.
Contact | 1-269-686-6369, email, carole@allegancountyfoodpantry.org [Additional Information](#)
- Brightmoor Connection Food Pantry – Providing curbside services rather than indoors. To receive food and water, please pull into the back lot and stay 6 feet away from others at all times.
Contact | 1-313-740-7688 [Additional Information](#)
- Helping Hands Food Pantry – Serving Charlotte, Vermontville, Sunfield, and Olivet, Michigan. Providing a 7-day supply of groceries and personal care items free of charge to people in need from our community.
Contact | 1-517-543-8737 [Additional Information](#)
- The Northwest Food Pantry of West Michigan – Serving Kent County. Their goal is to assist Westside families (those within our NWFP boundaries) when they are faced with loss of income or any other short-term emergency
Contact | 1-616-451-4036 [Additional Information](#)



- Governor Gretchen Whitmer has announced that the Michigan Medicaid Program will waive copays and cost-sharing for testing and health care treatment related to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19). A number of insurers, including Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, Blue Care Network of Michigan, Priority Health, CVS Health, McLaren, and Meridian also announced they will fully cover the cost of medically-necessary COVID-19 tests for members. [Additional Information](#)



EXECUTIVE ORDER - No. 2020-36 Protecting workers who stay home, stay safe when they or their close contacts are sick. It is the public policy of this state that an employer shall not discharge, discipline, or otherwise retaliate against an employee for staying home when he or she is at particular risk of infecting others with COVID-19. Employers must treat such an employee as if he or she were taking medical leave under the Paid Medical Leave Act, 2018 PA 338, as amended. [Additional Information](#)





- Families with students enrolled in the Michigan Department of Education program who qualify for free or reduced-cost school lunches will be receiving food assistance benefits from the Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer Program, a new federal program that provides funding to address food needs for those impacted financially by COVID-19.

Contact | 1-517-241-2112

[Additional Information](#)

- ARENAC COUNTY: Au Gres-Sims School District All families, with children under 18 years of age, are eligible for this service.

Contact | 1-989-876-7157 ext. 335, email; sochaj@ags-schools.org.

[Additional Information](#)

- To respond effectively to the urgent and steep demands created by this emergency, providers of health care, emergency medical services, law enforcement, and other essential services require childcare services for their children, particularly when schools are closed. The general public needs expanded access to childcare during this emergency as well.

[Additional Information](#)



- EXECUTIVE ORDER-No. 2020-47 Temporary extension of the validity of certain driver's licenses, state identification cards, and vehicle registrations. Individuals must, to the best of their ability, complete a vehicle registration or license renewal online during the declared states of emergency and disaster.

[Additional Information](#)

Until June 30, 2020, driving with a vehicle registration, operator's license, or chauffeur's license that expired on or after February 1, 2020 does not constitute a violation of the Michigan Vehicle Code. Law enforcement officials must not arrest any person nor impound any vehicle as a result of a vehicle registration, operator's license, or chauffeur's license that expired on or after February 1, 2020. The Department of State must not assess a late fee at renewal for a license or registration that expired between February 1, 2020 and May 31, 2020, so long as renewal occurs by June 30, 2020.

[Additional Information](#)





- EXECUTIVE ORDER-No. 2020-28 Restoring water service to occupied residences during the COVID-19 pandemic. Public water supply must restore water service to any occupied residence where water service has been shut off due to non-payment, so long as the public water supply does not have reason to believe that reconnection would create a risk to public health. [Additional Information](#)
- American Electric Power- AEP temporarily has suspended all service disconnections for non-payment.
Contact | 1-800-277-2177 [Additional Information](#)
- CenterPoint Energy - The company has temporarily suspended natural gas service disconnections for nonpayment. For customers in southwest Indiana, this includes the temporary suspension of electric service disconnections.
Contact | 1-800-495-9880 [Additional Information](#)
- City of Detroit Water – Turning water back on to disconnected households.
Contact | 1-313-386-9727 [Additional Information](#)
- Consumers Energy- temporary for some customer classes only. Consumers Energy to Suspend Shutoffs for Seniors, Low Income Customers in Wake of COVID-19.
Contact | 1-800-477-5050 [Additional Information](#)
- DTE Energy - Suspending shutoffs for non-payment for those customers who are low income eligible, effective immediately through April 5, 2020. Customers who are impacted by COVID-19 — those with a sudden loss of income or medical condition — as well as our vulnerable senior citizens.
Contact | 1-800-477-4747 [Additional Information](#)
- Lansing Board of Water & Light - The BWL has suspended electric and water shut-offs until further notice and COVID-19 is better controlled.
Contact | 1-517-702-6006 [Additional Information](#)





- Governor Gretchen Whitmer issued an executive order on March 20 temporarily halting evictions for nonpayment of rent through April 17. The order allows tenants and mobile homeowners to remain in their homes and allows courts to delay eviction-related proceedings. The governor has also extended the tax foreclosure deadline.

Contact | 1-517-373-3400

[Additional Information](#)



- EXECUTIVE ORDER-No. 2020-26 The annual state income tax return otherwise due on April 15, 2020 is now due on July 15, 2020. An annual state income tax return otherwise due on April 30, 2020 is now due on July 31, 2020.

[Additional Information](#)

