

How you can help Note: this information is correct as of 3-20-2020

We've been fielding phone calls and email requests about how community members can help local social service agencies that work with some of our most vulnerable populations. The Casa Hunger Action Ministry had scheduled two service projects over the next two weeks and these are now cancelled, although those organizations could still use the help of willing individuals.

Please read on to find out more.

Three general links for the public and ways to help in Arizona:

<https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/us/how-arizona-organizations-are-adapting-to-help-the-food-insecure-during-coronavirus/ar-BB11c2jP>

<https://azbigmedia.com/business/business-angels/nonprofit-companies/heres-how-you-can-help-during-the-covid-19-crisis/>

<https://www.phoenixnewtimes.com/news/demand-doubled-overnight-at-local-arizona-food-banks-11458277>

Organizations with which the Casa Community Collaborates

During this corona crisis emergency, we are asking you to **let us know if you choose to volunteer**. To do so, please, let the Hunger Action Ministry Hungeraction@thecasa.org. Let us know where you served, what you did, how was your experience, and if you know: what additional needs they may have; and how we can, as individuals, help them.



André House

The Andre House Clothing bin is currently not accessible for donations due to the lobby closure at the Franciscan Renewal Center. See the information below to find out how to help.

As of Tuesday, March 17th André House will not be engaging any of their volunteers. This will go on until Mid April. They will still be serving meals and providing essential services for guests experiencing homelessness. Please check back often as the page will be updated as needed. Regular updates can be found on our website at <https://andrehouse.org/covid-19-response/> and on the Andre House *Facebook* page.

How the public can help André House at this time: (found on the above webpage).

*Make a donation at www.andrehouse.org/donate. Donations will support critical and essential services, supplemental food for weekend breakfast programs that will be temporarily suspended and purchase of extra cleaning supplies, and generally helps us get what we need most when we need it.

*Purchase from our **Amazon wishlist**. We are updating this list daily with things that we need

*If you are able to find hand sanitizer anywhere online please purchase on our behalf. Our guests have limited access to proper handwashing stations so sanitizer will be key to their health and safety in the coming weeks. **Hand sanitizer can be mailed to our hospitality center at 213 S. 11th Ave, Phoenix 85007.**

*We are still accepting donation drop offs. When you arrive, please do not get out of your vehicle. A staff member will assist you in unloading and get you a receipt so that you do not have to leave your vehicle. Check our in-kind donation page for regular updates on things we need.

Honor Health - Desert Mission Food Bank, Sunny Slope



<https://www.honorhealth.com/healthy-living/coronavirus-information>

Hunger Action Ministry cancelled the Desert Mission Food Bank morning of service on Friday, March 20. Anyone may still volunteer as an individual taking all the necessary precautions. Desert Mission is continuing to ask for volunteers and they have said that they have projects for those willing to help.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Aurora Ortiz at aortiz@honorhealth.com and let her know that you would like to help.



St. Mary's Food Bank

<https://www.firstfoodbank.org/2020/03/a-message-from-tom-kertis-president-and-ceo-of-st-marys-food-bank/>

This is taken directly from an email sent to Casa Hunger Action on March 19: The safety and wellness of our volunteers is a top priority. St. Mary's is actively monitoring the recommendations from the CDC and local government and will continue to share updates with our partners. We are increasing our food box production as the needs of our community grows, which calls for a greater demand for volunteers.

What you can do to help?

Right now we need your help more than ever to keep feeding people. We will be accepting **walk-in volunteers** Monday – Friday from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. and Saturday from 8 -10 a.m. and noon - 2 p.m. *to help pack emergency food boxes at our main warehouse: 2831 N 31st Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85009 (31st Ave & Thomas Rd).*

At our client distribution centers at our Knight Transportation Community Services Center and in our facility in Surprise, we have a model that minimizes contact and is predominately outside. We need help from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday – Friday. **Walk-in volunteers are welcome!**

If you're interested in scheduling a group of friends, family or co-workers that is 5 or more, please let Jennifer Gonzales jgonzales@firstfoodbank.org (volunteer engagement manager) and she will schedule you.

Donate today by visiting: www.FirstFoodBank.org



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St Vincent de Paul

<https://www.stvincentdepaul.net/COVID19>

This is from an email that was sent to the Hunger Action Ministry on March 20, 2020

“We do not have volunteers in any direct service opportunities currently. In fact, the only opportunity we have is in the farm, in the fresh air where social distancing can occur with small numbers of volunteers.” SDonnelly@svdpaz.org

Taken directly from the above St. Vincent de Paul webpage link:

Do you still need volunteers?

* There will be some volunteer opportunities for specific needs as we adapt our program procedures. If you'd like to be added to the list of on-call volunteers, please email volunteer@svdpaz.org with “**Here to Help**” in the subject line. You can also call 602-261-6886. We'll be in touch as needs arise.

What else do you need?

* [Monetary donations](https://www.stvincentdepaul.net/COVID19Relief) (<https://www.stvincentdepaul.net/COVID19Relief>) are needed at this time, as we continue to keep services in operation, modify how we serve and prepare for the need that is coming. We know that the need will significantly increase in the coming weeks and months as families cope with income disruption and require rent and utility assistance, additional food support, etc., to help us prevent additional homelessness in our community. With your help, we will do everything [we can] to continue to meet the needs of neighbors in our community.

* If you'd like to **drop off food, clothing and sanitizing supplies**, you may do so during regular business hours at our main campus: **2120 S. 3rd Drive. Phoenix, 85003.**

* You can also **purchase and mail most needed supplies** through our [Amazon WishlistSVDP](https://smile.amazon.com/hz/charitylist/l/10USPTYJV7RD4/ref=smi_cl_lol_lls0_ls0). (https://smile.amazon.com/hz/charitylist/l/10USPTYJV7RD4/ref=smi_cl_lol_lls0_ls0)



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Vista Del Camino Food Bank (Scottsdale)

<https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/news/coronavirus-update#q5> The *Scottsdale Community Centers* will be open limited hours. The centers will be open: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.,

Monday through Friday.

The Vista Del Camino Food bin is currently not accessible for donations due to the lobby closure at the Franciscan Renewal Center. See the information below to find out how to help.

Please call to see if the Center is open. Follow instructions. There are many opportunities to assist other citizens through Vista Del Camino and its programs. Here are a few options:

- Donations to the [food bank](https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/human-services/vista-del-camino/food-bank) (<https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/human-services/vista-del-camino/food-bank>)
- Food Bank volunteer - [email food bank staff](mailto:edurazo@scottsdaleaz.gov) (edurazo@scottsdaleaz.gov)
- Drop off food donations. Donations can be dropped off during normal business hours. *Some of the most needed items include:* peanut butter, canned protein (chicken, tuna, spam), canned ravioli, canned fruits (no sugar added or packed in 100% fruit juice), canned vegetables, dry or canned beans, cereal and boxed prepared meals, such as mac and cheese and Hamburger Helper. Various toiletries are also needed: toilet paper, paper towels, deodorant, shampoo, dental hygiene products.

City of Scottsdale - Vista del Camino

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