Some Available Community Resources COVID-19, Shenandoah County:

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PEOPLE ARE ADVISED TO CALL BEFORE GOING TO ANY FOOD BANK, TO CHECK ON CHANGES OF SCHEDULE, CANCELLATIONS OR CLOSURES DUE TO COVID-19:

(See <https://www.brafb.org/covid-19/> for notification of Blue Ridge Area Food Banks about COVID-19)

1. Food Assistance:

* **Emmanuel's Table**: Food bank that operates out of Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Woodstock. (They are distributing food in a safe manner, adhering to safety standards on Tuesdays from 9-12. It is on a first come, first served basis)
* **Saint John Bosco Catholic Outreach** (<https://www.sjbwoodstock.org/parish-organizations/sjb-outreach/>): Provide assistance with food supplements, clothing, household items, furniture and appliances. Also provide financial assistance for medical, electrical, heating, rent, and emergency lodgings.

Store Hours: Friday and Saturday 9 am – 2 pm

Catholic Outreach Hotline 540-331-7178

Address: 315 N. Main Street Woodstock, VA 22664

* **St. John Bosco Food Pantry:** Available during “Light" hours -- 8am - 7pm.

Location: Back door of 207 N. Main St, Woodstock, VA 22664

Phone: (540) 630-2156

## Compassion Cupboard: Provides food pantry for those in need from Strasburg and Toms Broom area. (Any donations, either non-perishable goods or monetary always appreciated) Pantry hours: 3rd Tuesday every month 9:00 am – noon and 1:00pm- 3:00pm.

Address: 533 Burgess Street Strasburg, VA 22657

Phone: 540-465-2393

## Columbia Furnace Love Center: Provides a food pantry.

## Pantry hours: 4th Saturday every month 8:45 -11am

Address: 20914 Senedo Road Edinburg, VA 22824

Phone: 540-459-3711

## Open Door Food Pantry: Provides a food pantry. Pantry Hours:3rd Thursday of the month 1:-00pm - 6:00pm

Address: 11278 Old Valley Pike, Mt Jackson, VA 22842

Phone: (540) 465-2722

* [**Bread of Life Food Pantry**](https://www.foodpantries.org/li/bread_of_life_food_pantry_22664): Operated in a building on the property of the Woodstock United Methodist Church.

Pantry hours: Every 3rd Tuesday and 3rd Thursday of each month at 1pm to 4 pm. (One distribution per household per month)

Phone: 540-459-4144

Address: 156 South Muhlenberg Street Woodstock, VA 22664

# Keep the Change Food Pantry: Provided by Abba's House at My Church. For more information please contact: *Pantry Director,* Donna Orndorf

# Hours of Operation: Every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to Noon Address: 23749 Old Valley Pike, Woodstock, VA 22664 Phone: 888.294.9673 ext. 1

* **Locally owned Domino’s:** Free Kindness initiative. Contact them for support to families, healthcare group or organizations that really need a meal.
* **Loaves and Fishes Food:** Pantry at Manor Memorial UMC.

Hours: 3rd Thursday of the month 11:00 am- 5:30 pm

Address: 9320 Congress Street, New Market, VA

Phone: 540-896-9907, 540-740-8959

* **Matthew's Food Pantry**: See updates and information at <https://www.facebook.com/MatthewsFoodPantry/>

Hours: 2nd Saturday of each month 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Oak Level United Methodist Church.

Address:1809 Camp Roosevelt Road, Fort Valley, VA

Phone: (540) 933-6606

* **Sheetz Kidz Meal Bagz**: Free Meal Program now expanded to all 600 Stores to provide free food to help children and families in need as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Meal Bagz will be available at all 600 Sheetz locations and will be available daily, while supplies last. Families interested in taking advantage of the free program can go to any Sheetz location and ask an employee for a meal at the register or through the drive-through.The program will be available for the **next two weeks** at which time it will be reevaluated based on community need.
* YOU CAN ALSO CHECK FACEBOOK GROUP “**HELP FOR HUNGRY SHENANDOANS**”<https://www.facebook.com/groups/545179399463720/?ref=pages_profile_groups_tab&source_id=1610463855874227>

1. **Other assistance:**

* **Shenandoah Valley Lutheran Ministries**: See <http://www.svlm.org/covid-19-updates.html> for updates in programs functioning due to COVID-19.
* **A Small Hand: A specialist pantry for infants in need in Shenandoah County (newborn to 3 years old).** Children and infants who are currently enrolled in the government supported Women, Infant, & Children (WIC) program can visit A Small Hand once a month. They will be offered a month's supply of disposable diapers and wipes, along with additional items as they are available: clothes, food, formula, hygiene items (shampoo, lotion, etc.). **Check for weekly status and updates about this program or email** [**shenvalleylm@gmail.com**](mailto:shenvalleylm@gmail.com)**. Due to COVID-19 they are closed for the remaining of April.**
* **Luke’s Backpack:  Breakfast, lunch, and dinner** items are included in each bag, which are distributed every Friday to students so that they, and their families, will have enough to eat on the weekend. Due to COVID-19, the program is currently partnering with Shenandoah County Public Schools to distribute bags each Friday, to each of the lunch sites.
* **Good Shepherd:**  Seniors (65+) who are in need of additional support. Supplies include personal hygiene and cleaning supplies. Supplies are available for seniors who are in need.  Please email [shenvalleylm@gmail.com](mailto:shenvalleylm@gmail.com) for additional information.
* **Northern Shenandoah Valley Financial Education Program: Physically closed to the public, but open virtually and providing free trainings. E-mail your questions to**[**kpoff@vt.edu**](mailto:kpoff@vt.edu?subject=Question%20About%20Personal%20Finances%20During%20the%20Pandemic&body=Please%20include%20your%20first%20name%2C%20a%20phone%20number%2C%20and%20an%20e-mail%20address%20when%20asking%20your%20question.)**:**
* **Check four-minute video about mortgage forbearance options. Go to the**[**Consumer Financial Protection Bureau**](https://ext.us13.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8938cdd05527545cf207f0592&id=7a81927354&e=171212ca8f)**'s website to learn more.**
* **EVERYTHING you wanted to know about Surviving Debt (FREE to read online during the COVID-19 pandemic)!** [**https://library.nclc.org/node/184511**](https://library.nclc.org/node/184511)
* **Adventist Community Services Center:** Helps clients with free food and clothing, emergency financial assistance.

Hours: Wednesday 8:30 am- 7:00 pm, Thursday 8:30 am – 12:00 pm

Phone: 540-740-8550

Address: Located at New Market Seventh Day Adventist Church. 62 W. Lee Hwy, New Market, VA

* **Virginia Department of Veteran Services:** Services till active, although using telework option. Department continues to assist veterans with issues ranging from: filing claims for service connected disabilities, appeals, connection to behavioral health needs, assistance w/ homeless veterans finding shelter and other. For more information and questions, you can call 804-839-1172 or [540- 465-6113](tel:(540)%20465-6113). You can also find updates at [www.dvs.virginia.gov](http://www.dvs.virginia.gov/)
* **Family and Youth Summit 2020 (KNOT Alone):** The focus of the Summit is to promote parent, caregiver and youth voice through knowledge, skills and networking. Due to COVID-19, this event will now be held online with both live and recorded content. There will also be virtual interaction with other youth and parents and caregivers who have children, youth, and young adults with mental health conditions. For more information, contact Mary Beth Walsh with NAMI Virginia at MWalsh@namivirginia.org.

**Date:** Saturday, May 16, 2020

**Cost:** Free

**Registration:** https://bit.ly/2VoVjUiSUMMIT2020

1. **Shelter and other financial assistance:**

* **Continuum of Care (CoC): Additional funding available for hotel vouchers to temporarily put up homeless families affected by the virus.  Families who may be interested should call the Centralized Intake at 540-271-1701 and go through the referral process.**
* **Shenandoah Alliance for Shelter (SAS):** Provides financial assistance to prevent homelessness (housing, rent, utilities and other). All their programs remain operational, but their hours have decreased to Mon-Thurs, 8:30-4:30. Families needing assistance with rent, homelessness or eviction should call Centralized Housing Intake Line at 540-271-1701. If the need is for utilities, please call SAS at 540-459-3212. For more information, you can also email [alliance4shelter@gmail.com](mailto:alliance4shelter@gmail.com) or follow their Facebook page.

**ATTENTION!!** SAS **may also be able to provide motel vouchers and other financial assistance to families who are experiencing a financial crisis due to the virus. This program is for Shenandoah County residents only, and they have to be able to verify the hardship is directly related to COVID-19. For this assistance local residents may call SAS directly at 540-459-3212.**

* [**Blue Ridge Habitat for Humanity**](https://blueridgehabitat.org/)**- They are looking for 5 families for homes in Shenandoah County! The application period has been extended to April 30th and applications are available on their website** <https://blueridgehabitat.org/>
* **Family Promise of Shenandoah County: Program oriented to homeless population or at imminent risk of becoming homeless. Families must call Centralized Intake at**[**540-271-1701**](tel:540-271-1701) **and leave a message. You can also call Family Promise of Shenandoah County directly at**[**540-459-4599**](tel:540-459-4599)**. *(MAY NOT BE ACCEPTING ANY NEW FAMILIES AT THIS TIME)***
* **People Inc. COVID-19 Rental Assistance Program: Rental assistance available for qualifying individuals impacted by the outbreak of COVID-19 in Northern Shenandoah (Clarke, Frederick, Page, Shenandoah or Warren). Eligible individuals must be within 200% of federal poverty guidelines, have been laid off, released or had their income reduced due to COVID-19. Individuals must owe rent during the months of the COVID-19 outbreak. To apply for this program you can call 833-437-0114.**
* **Shenandoah County Chamber of Commerce: For additional resources and ways to help the community (#GivingTuesdayNow,** #SHENCOJOBS**), you can check their webpage at** <http://www.shenandoahcountychamber.com/>
* **#SHENCOJOBS**: Many jobs available for displaced workers now. Applications are reviewed immediately and hiring takes places within a day or two. Please, see the following link<http://www.shenandoahcountychamber.com/Jobs/>
* **Shenandoah Community Foundation**: Established a COVID-19 Emergency Relief Fund for Shenandoah County. Your organization can apply for a grant by completing an application. For more information, check <https://shenandoahcommunityfoundation.org/>
* **People Inc. COVID-19 Forgivable Small Business Loans**: U.S. Small Business Administration microloans are now available to small businesses affected by the COVID-19 pandemic in Northern Shenandoah (Clarke, Frederick, Page, Shenandoah or Warren). Microloans may be offered for any amount starting at $500 up to $50,000. COVID-19 forgivable small business loans are available in all 16 Virginia counties and cities People Inc. serves. For more information or to apply, you can call 833-437-0115.
* **Ogden Newspapers**, owner of the Northern Virginia Daily is offering small businesses affected by the pandemic a grant. For more information follow the link <https://www.ogdennews.com/community-grant/?fbclid=IwAR2nwvRpRCy_IjQsYchU1Rz_EEr_NDNPwfJ6JnO-2rpJwAld1Oi6a40Nq5Y>