



# Response to COVID-19

The Mav Market will

## **TEMPORARILY HALT EMERGENCY FOOD REQUEST SERVICES UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

Please refer to your local food bank website (listed below) to be connected to a local food pantry.

**Please contact us at  
[mavmarket@mercy.edu](mailto:mavmarket@mercy.edu) to  
discuss other options and to be  
connected with local resources.**

*We will continue to do our best to help connect you to the resources you need. Please don't hesitate to reach out, we are in this together!*

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[\(718\) 678-8209](tel:(718)678-8209)



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**The Mav Market will operate under limited capacity for the remainder of the Spring 2020 Semester**

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**Due to campus closures, our Emergency Food Request option has been temporarily suspended until further notice.**

*NYC Emergency Food Hotline: 866.888.8777*

## Food Pantries Near You

- [Westchester](#)
- [New York City](#)
- [Hudson Valley & Upstate](#)
- [Connecticut](#)
- [New Jersey](#)

## Health Services

- [Mercy Health Office](#)
- [Affordable Clinics](#)
- [Download Edquity for nearby resources](#)
  - [Apple](#) or [Google Play](#)

## Counseling Services

- [Mercy College Student Counseling Center](#)
- [NYC Well](#)
- [Find local Counselors at Psychology Today](#)

## Other Outside Resources

- [SNAP Applications](#)
- [Benefits Search](#)
- [Free U-Haul storage](#)
- [Free Spectrum Wifi](#)
- [Free NYC Hotspots](#)



# The Mav Market's COVID-19-Specific Resources

The information below may assist you throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. Please also refer to the [Resources Page](#) on our website for a more extensive list of resources! Click on the **bolded text** to be brought to the referenced webpage.

*More information on the Mercy College Student Emergency Aid Fund will be sent out by Mercy College within the coming weeks.*

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## Food & Toiletries Assistance:

- **[NYC Free Meals for ALL:](#)** Any New Yorker can get three free meals a day at more than 400 Meal Hubs across the city. Meals can be picked up at all Meal Hubs 7:30 am to 1:30 pm, Monday through Friday. [Find a meal hub here.](#)
- **[Plentiful:](#)** A free, easy-to-use reservation system for food pantries and the people they serve. Use Plentiful to find pantries and get the food you need, without waiting in line.
  - Text "FOOD" to (726-879)
- **[NYC COVID-19 Food Assistance Resources:](#)** A list of food pantries and Grab & Go Meals, SNAP applications, ways to donate & help, and Food Delivery Assistance.
- **[Smart Tricks to Store Fresh Produce:](#)** Expand the shelf life of your herbs & produce with these easy tricks! Guide is in English, Spanish, Chinese, & Korean
- **[Imperfect Food Grocery Service:](#)** Imperfect Food offers a 33% discount to individuals who apply for the [Reduced-Cost Box Program.](#) You do NOT need to qualify for SNAP, and the application takes less than 5 minutes! They will deliver a box of groceries that YOU PICK straight to your door on a weekly basis. If you sign up and don't order a box immediately, they send you a 20% off coupon for your first 3 orders. They are still going strong with an increase in service! .
- **[Diaper Assistance:](#)** To find out if an agency in your area provides diaper assistance to families in need, please call 2-1-1 on your phone or search online at [2-1-1.org](http://2-1-1.org). Specialist are available 24/7 to help identify local resources that may be able to help provide diapers and other basic necessities.



- **Food Pantry Locators:** Click on any of the links to be directed to a map of food pantries in your area
  - [Nationwide Locator](#)
  - [Westchester](#)
  - [NYC](#)
  - [Hudson Valley & Northeastern NY](#)
  - [Connecticut](#)
  - [New Jersey](#)

## Social Service Assistance & Other Programs:

- **[The HOPE Center's COVID-19 Guide for College Students:](#)** This extensive list of resources includes information about unemployment, SNAP/WIC Applications, utility assistance, and more
- **[Free Clinics:](#)** Find free & affordable health clinics near you
- **[Navigating Benefits.gov](#) and [AccessNYC](#) with the Mav Market:** A quick introduction to navigating Federal Benefit Eligibility Screeners & the AccessNYC website to determine which benefits you should consider applying to. [Apply for SNAP](#)
- **[Edquity.co:](#)** The Edquity App helps you manage the money you have and find the emergency supports on- and off-campus – as well as emergency dollars – when what you have just isn't enough.
- **[NYC COVID-19 Mutual Aid Website:](#)** An extensive list of resources in NYC, including ways to volunteer, resource sharing documents, grocery delivery services, and other relevant information relating to COVID-19 help in NYC
- **[Internet Service:](#)** Affordable internet service application through Comcast
- **[National Homeless Shelter Directory](#)**
- **[The Mercy College Counseling Center:](#)** the Student Counseling Center will be offering all appointments through the virtual platform, Doxy.me. To schedule an appointment, please email [CounselingCenter@mercy.edu](mailto:CounselingCenter@mercy.edu). Due to licensing restrictions, clinical appointments are only available to students who are located in the state of New York. If you are not in New York but would like an appointment, please contact the Counseling Center to discuss your options.

## Educational Resources:

- **[Devices for Remote Learning:](#)** To help students stay connected during emergencies, the DOE is lending internet-enabled iPads to support



remote learning for students. If you would like to request a device for a NYC student in your family, please fill out the form on their website.

- **Educational Materials for k-12 (or any age!):**
  - [GrowNYC's Distance Learning Activities](#) (all ages)
  - [An Interactive Guide to Food & Climate Change](#) (Middle School+)
  - [Open Culture: 200 Free Kids Educational Resources: Video Lessons, Apps, Books, Websites & More!](#)

## Job Postings & Unemployment

- **Mercy Career & Professional Development Opportunities:** An list of available jobs and resources, including resources the team offers
- **NY Unemployment Insurance:** Apply for unemployment benefits online or by calling 1-888-209-8124. Due to high demand, there is a significant wait period.
  - [State Directory of Unemployment Insurance Programs](#)
  - [FAQ About Applying for Unemployment in NY](#)
- **NY Department of Labor Job Listings**
- **TLC-Licensed Drivers:** NYC is recruiting TLC-licensed drivers to help with deliveries such as meals to seniors. Drivers will be paid at \$15/hour plus reimbursement for gas and tolls. Applicants can fill out a form here:<https://cv19engagementportal.cityofnewyork.us/#/display/5e7634997ad67502161607c2>

## Hotlines & Phone Updates

- ❖ **NYC Emergency Food Hotline: 866.888.8777**
- ❖ **Text 'COVID' to 692-692** to get important COVID-19 related updates sent straight to your phone. You can text 'COVIDESP' to get updates in Spanish
- ❖ **NYC residents needing immediate mental health services** during this outbreak should text **"Well"** to **65173\*** or call **1-888-NYC-Well**
- ❖ **Call 2-1-1** to be connected to local resources and social services (*Food & Nutrition Programs, Health Care, Employment Opportunities*)
- ❖ **National Suicide Prevention Lifeline:** The Lifeline provides 24/7, free and confidential support for people in distress, prevention and crisis resources for you or your loved ones, and best practices for professionals. 1-800-273-8255
- ❖ **Call 3-1-1** for up-to-date information on COVID-19 and find a health care provider