

Unemployment/Benefits

Use the following link to find information about, or apply for, unemployment benefits through the state of Minnesota:

<https://www.uimn.org/applicants/needtoknow/news-updates/covid-19.jsp>

Utilities

Spectrum has responded to Covid-19 in a couple different ways. If you currently do not have internet, they are offering two free months of internet service, especially to help those households with students who might need internet access for distance learning.

<https://www.spectrum.net/support/internet/coronavirus-covid-19-educational-internet-offer>

or Call 1-855-243-8892 to sign up for this offer.

RPU has stated that they will not shut off any utilities until further notice. As this is a constantly changing situation, we encourage you to check with RPU directly for any questions regarding their services: <https://www.rpu.org> Call their customer service at: 507.280.1500 or 800.778.3421

Minnesota Energy Resources has also stated that they will not shut off their services until further notice. Check out their CEO's statement here:

<https://www.wecenergygroup.com/home/safety-message.htm> and if you have any further questions about this service, you can visit their homepage here:

<https://accel.minnesotaenergyresources.com>. Call their customer service at: 800-889-9508

If you need help financially with any of your utilities, please do fill out the church's form:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Y7wDHRB1Hctttt50PDVI8IRxnlj9KXNhWT3OI494k40/edit>

Another resource for you, might be Three Rivers Community Action which can be found:

<https://threeriverscap.org/energy/energy-assistance> or call them at: 800-277-8418

Food/Groceries

If you are self-quarantined and need help shopping, please fill out our church's google form found here:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Y7wDHRB1Hctttt50PDVI8IRxnlj9KXNhWT3OI494k40/edit>

Another resource for you if there is financial difficulty, is to visit the Community Food Response.

Their NW Rochester location is still open, but always check with them first. Visit their website here: <https://www.communityfoodresponse.org> or call them at: 507-281-5061

Also, Channel One Food Bank: <https://www.helpingfeedpeople.org> or 507-287-2350

Or, Minnesota Food Helpline -- www.hungersolutions.org/programs/mn-food-helpline; 1-888-711-1151. If you are having trouble putting food on your table, call or use the chat feature on the [http://www.hungersolutions.org/programs/mn-food-helpline/](http://www.hungersolutions.org/programs/mn-food-helpline) There is also a really helpful map of potential food resources here: <http://www.hungersolutions.org/find-help/>

Households with children can find meals at Riverside, John Adams, and Mayo High School. Find more information here:

<https://www.facebook.com/348221831875865/posts/3077640752267279/?d=n>

Medications

If you are self-quarantined and need help picking up your medication, or if you need help paying for medication that you need, please fill out our church's google form found here:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Y7wDHRB1Hctttt50PDVI8lRxnIj9KXNhWT3OI494k40/edit>

Can you help?

Any of the above food resource services are experiencing an increase in demand and would welcome donations. Please contact them directly in order to help in that way.

If you are able to help someone else, please fill out our church's google form and we will connect you with people that you can love and support during this difficult time. We know that "humankind does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord." (Jesus in Mt. 4:4) So there are many ways that you can volunteer to help. Like: shopping, praying, calling, writing a card/note, helping someone with technology. Please fill out our church form and know that we thank God for all of you:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Y7wDHRB1Hctttt50PDVI8lRxnIj9KXNhWT3OI494k40/edit>