Available Food Resources During COVID-19 Response

1. Food Pantries: While food pantries are working hard to provide food, distribution may be changing to meet current needs. Be sure to call your local food pantry to confirm these times and details. Visit www.mfbn.org/gethelp to find your local agency.

2. SNAP: Offices of Public Assistance are currently closed to the public, but DPHHS can provide services at apply.mt.gov and over the Public Assistance Help Line at 1-888-706-1535. MFBN’s SNAP Hotline is available for application assistance or to pre-screen for eligibility at 406-239-6475. As of April 1, 2020, and through the end of the national disaster declaration, Able Bodied Adults Without Dependents (ABAWDs) are not subject to the three-month time limit for SNAP benefits.

3. WIC: WIC offices are also closed to the public, but services are available remotely. Local WIC clinic information can be found at www.signupwic.com and through the state office at 800-433-4298 or montanawicprogram@mt.gov. Those enrolled will receive WIC benefits as usual, and anyone experiencing difficulty with getting formula at their local store should contact the state office.

4. Child Nutrition: Due to school closures, many schools are offering free meals to children and teens age 18 and under. A meal programs list is available at bit.ly/SchoolFoodMT and is continually updated. Contact your local school and visit their websites and social media pages for details on how and where to access meals.

5. Senior Nutrition: Most congregate meal sites are currently closed for public safety, but many programs are offering take-out and home delivered meals for seniors. For more information on meals and resources for seniors, contact your local Area Agency on Aging at 800-551-3191.