



**PRESS RELEASE**

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**Emergency Response Plan**

***(Bonney Lake, WA)*** - With much careful thought and consideration, the Bonney Lake Food Bank has decided to move to an emergency response plan that will address the growing need in our community for our services in these precarious times. With increased demand doubling and a projection of increasing by six times in the coming months, we have opted to switch to a twice a month Emergency Relief Food Distribution model. Our first drop will be Saturday March 28th. We are putting our operations on pause for the week of March 23rd through the 27th while we gather a client roster via an appointment link on our website. We will then produce dry boxes of supplemental, nutritious foods. With grocery donations of meat, eggs, milk, and cheese rapidly declining we have opted to use community funding to purchase locally sourced fresh foods to ensure we have plenty to feed all in need. On distribution day we will have clients arrive at a predetermined time window, using an outdoor format to promote social distancing and utmost precaution. We thank you all for your amazing response to the rising need to feed more and more neighbors facing food insecurity in these trying times.

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Bonney Lake Food Bank (aka Bonney Lake Community Resources) is 501c3 non-profit charitable organization providing food and support to our neighbors facing food insecurity.

Serving nutritious foods to more than 3000 people each month through our food pantry program, and providing more than 150 at-risk students each week with healthy foods for the weekend, so they come back to school nourished and ready to learn.

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