



Press Release – For Immediate Release

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Florence SC- Emergency Senior Meal Relief Program implemented in Florence County

“Elderly Clients of SCA have responded in a very positive way after receiving the shelf stable meals saying ‘It has provided great relief for our families and loved ones who are quarantined’ during the threat of Covid-19”, says Connell Cain, Program Director of The Senior Citizens Association (SCA).

In response to the great need of meals during the Corona Pandemic, SCA is offering shelf stable meals to the Florence County Senior Community (*SCA non clients) experiencing health issues and/or limitations. We will provide 15 free meals per person, at a first-come, first-serve basis, at two locations throughout the county. The drive-thru pick up service will be May 5th and May 6th, 2020.

All precautions are being taken to prevent the spread of the Corona Virus during the meal distribution such as no contact, 6 feet distancing, mask, gloves and implementing a drive thru for this Emergency Senior Nutrition response. Seniors will be asked to remain in their vehicles during the drive thru distribution. If you or someone you know is in need, please contact The Senior Citizens Association. SCA employees are on standby to take applications for this relief. The application process will be over the phone and designated call in and pickup dates will be implemented.

“With our clients being at the forefront of the COVID-19 crisis, we are committed to staying open at SCA and providing local senior citizens the services they need. Over the past three weeks, we have provided over 5,000 Hot/Frozen/Shelf stable meals to our home-bound seniors through the Meals on Wheels delivery program. We don’t know how long this will continue, but SCA will be implementing more ‘Emergency Senior Meal Relief Programs’ in the near future.” Linda Mitchell Johnson, SCA Executive Director reports.

If you are looking for ways to help our local senior citizens during this crisis, you can contribute a monetary donation to our COVID-19 Disaster Relief Fund located on our website

at: <https://seniorcitizensassociation/donate> or you can mail in a donation and mark it for the disaster relief fund.

Application eligibility:

- 60 years or older
- Lives in Florence County
- Experiencing health issues and/or limitations
- Not a current SCA client

Emergency Senior Meal Relief Distribution Dates are: May 5th & 6th 2020 from 9 am to 4 pm
Two Locations: Leatherman Senior Center- 600 Senior Way, Florence SC 29505 and Lake City Senior Center- 198 North Acline Drive, Lake City, SC 29560.

The Senior Citizens Association in Florence County (SCA) is a private, non-profit 501 (c) (3) community-based organization. SCA relies on grants, donations, contributions, membership fees and assistance from volunteers to provide services and assistance to Florence County Senior Citizens.

To apply for this Emergency Meal Relief Program Call:

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