

# Food Security and COVID Food Coordination Group

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COVID COMMAND CENTER

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## Mission and Functions

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Support the food security of San Franciscans impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic

### Functions

1. Support the City's food system to align with COVID-19 containment and mitigation strategies
2. Leverage existing food resources, and their infrastructure, as the bedrock of mass food support strategy
3. Develop new food resources to address the unique needs of high-risk populations

# COVID Food Coordination Group within the COVID Command Center

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- Located within the CCC Human Services Branch
- Primary responsibilities:
  - Support communication and coordination between City and community partners to develop San Francisco's food response to the COVID-19 emergency
  - Manage meal service at alternative housing sites in coordination with CCC Housing Group
  - Communicate community needs to SF Human Services Agency (SFHSA) and CCC leadership to support funding and resource decisions
  - Operationalize food response, including management of (most) contracts for COVID-19 food response in collaboration with SFHSA

# CCC Food Coordination Group Accomplishments

*Partial list of key  
achievements*

- Established the Isolation/Quarantine Food Helpline
- Created public-facing resources for community members
- Created a fleet of DSW drivers to deliver meals and groceries\*
- Supported food providers stay in operation and expand services through coordination of PPE, deployment of DSWs, and other resources
- Formed a Food Support Task Force
- Launched a [public reporting page](#) on the City's food response to COVID-19
- Secured over \$8M in private funding and administered \$6.9M in Give2SF primarily for community-based efforts

*\*Concluded with transition to Unified Command/CCC*

# COVID-19 Food Response: Funding Strategy

# Overview of COVID-19 Food Response Funding

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- Total funding: \$55.3 million
  - \$48.4 million City funding + \$6.9 million Give2SF
- City funding supports the citywide response and prioritizes
  - Mass food support resources for all residents experiencing food insecurity and
  - Specialized supports for high-risk populations (seniors, people with disabilities, unsheltered residents, and C19-exposed)
- Give2SF funding allows us to dynamically and flexibly respond to emerging community needs

# City Funding for COVID-19 Food Support

*FY 2020-21*

Food supports provided monthly funded by \$48.4M City budget:



118,000 grocery bags distributed to food insecure households across SF



500,000 meals for seniors via community network and Great Plates Delivered SF



25,000 meals distributed monthly to unsheltered residents



450 households in isolation and quarantine receive meals and groceries



# FY 2020-21 City Funding for COVID-19 Food Support

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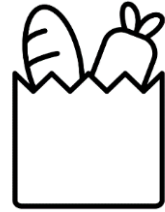
Service	Population Served	Funding
Grocery Programs	Food insecure households*	\$26.3 million
Great Plates Delivered SF	Seniors	\$15 million
Aging & Disability Nutrition Network	Seniors and adults with disabilities	\$3 million
Street Food Support	Unsheltered residents	\$2.4 million
Isolation/Quarantine Food Helpline	COVID-19-positive or exposed households in need of food support	\$1.8 million

\*Majority of this funding supports SFMFB Pop Up Pantries available to all SF residents in need of food support. This category also includes \$4.2 million for resources focused on Latinx community.

# Give2SF Allocation for Food Security

*Funding to Date*

Funding of \$6.9 million supports multiple initiatives, such as:



\$1.5M for grocery distribution focused on Mission and Latinx community



\$750,000 for low-income families via the city's Family Resource Centers



\$457,000 for food support to residents of HOPE SF and SF Housing Authority sites



\$172,000 for mothers and babies from communities of color via pregnancy and post-partum programs

# Give2SF Allocation for Food Security (1 of 2)

- \$6.9 million in total for food security

Service	Provider	Funding
Senior/Disability Food and Nutrition Network	DAS nutrition network (12 providers)	\$1.6M
Food Support for Latinx Community	Mission Food Hub, HOMEY	\$1.5M
Food Relief for Low-Income Transitional Age Youth	Department of Human Services	\$860K
Undocumented and Immigrant Household	HealthySF, Chinese Affirmative Action	\$800K
Family Supports	First Five and Family Resource Centers	\$750K
Emergency and Short-Term Funding Support for Communities of Color	Nourish, SF New Deal, La Cocina, One Treasure Island	\$571K
Meals for HOPE SF Residents	Mercy Housing, Shanti Project	\$288K
Support for Mothers and Infants of Color	SisterWeb SF Community Doula Network, Black Infant Health	\$172K

# Give2SF Allocation for Food Security (2 of 2)

Service	Provider	Funding
Groceries for Housing Authority residents	Housing Authority	\$169K
Isolation/Quarantine Food Support	Shanti Project	\$75K
LGBTQ Food Relief	LGBT Center and three subcontractors: El/La Para TransLatinas; Transgender Gender-variant and Intersex Justice Project; TurnOut	\$75K

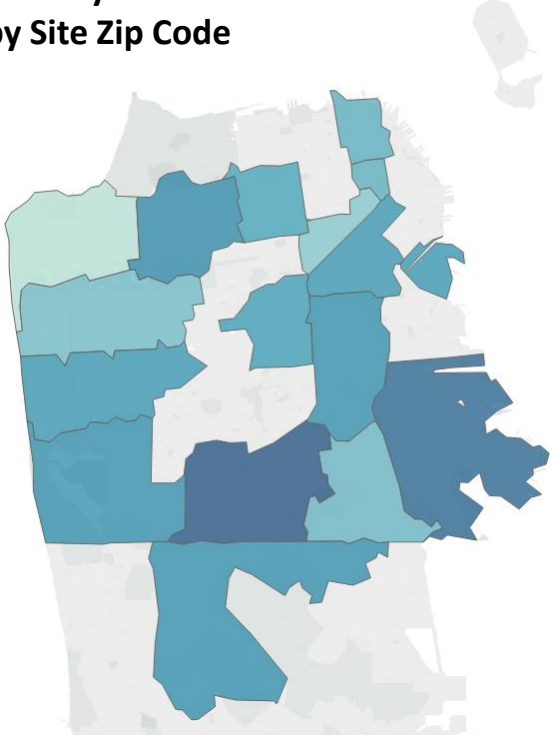
# COVID-19 Food Response: Additional Information

# City Funding for COVID-19 Food Response

## Mass Food Support: Grocery Programs

- Primary partner is SF-Marin Food Bank, leveraging millions of pounds of donated produce and free federal food commodities through its role as regional food bank
- Typical grocery bag contains 20-22 lbs of food, including fresh produce, protein (e.g., eggs, meat), and a grain (e.g., rice)
- Available for all residents in need of food support

Grocery Distribution Volume by Site Zip Code



\*Daly City site is Cow Palace drive-through for SF residents

### SFMFB COVID-19 Response Programs

Program	Monthly Bags	Description
Pop Up Pantry and Drive Through Sites	78,000	Weekly pantries for those in need of food support (20 new sites)
Pantry At Home	39,000	Grocery delivery to populations that face heightened risk of severe illness from COVID-19 (e.g., seniors, people with high-risk health conditions)
Partner Agency Pick Up	1,000	Grocery bags provided to community organizations that distribute or deliver bags to client populations
<b>Total</b>	<b>118,000</b>	

## SFMFB Pop-Up Pantry Locations and Anticipated Monthly Distribution Volume

Zip Code	Neighborhood	Site	Monthly Bags
94102	Hayes Valley, Civic Center, Tenderloin	SF Ballet	2,400
94103	South of Market	Bessie Carmichael	4,800
94108	Chinatown	Gordon J. Lau Elementary	3,600
94110	Mission, Bernal Heights	Cesar Chavez Elementary School	5,100
		Mission High School (94114)	4,500
94112	Ingleside, Excelsior	James Denman Middle School	4,500
		Minnie & Lovie Ward Rec Center	3,300
94115	Western Addition, Japantown	Rosa Parks Elem School	4,200
94116	Sunset, Parkside, Forest Hill	Lincoln High School	4,800
94118	Inner Richmond	Kezar Stadium	3,000
		Roosevelt Middle School	2,400
94121	Outer Richmond	Golden Gate Senior Center	900
94122	Sunset	A. P. Giannini Middle School	3,000
94124	Bayview, Hunters Point	Bayview Opera House	4,500
		Cornerstone Baptist Church	2,400
94132	Lake Merced, Lakeside	Stonestown YMCA	4,500
		Stonestown Mall	600
94133	North Beach	Francisco Middle School	3,600
94134	Visitacion Valley	MLK Middle School	3,300
94158	Mission Bay	Oracle Park	4,800
94014	Daly City	Cow Palace	5,100

# City Funding for COVID-19 Food Response

## Aging and Disability Supports

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- **Great Plates Delivered SF**
  - State developed program to support older people and local businesses
  - Utilizes local restaurants and food providers to prepare and deliver meals to seniors who meet state-established eligibility criteria
  - 80% of food providers are minority-owned and small businesses
  - Provides 200,000 meals monthly to 2,500 seniors citywide
- **Aging and Disability Nutrition Network**
  - 12 community-based organizations providing home-delivered and takeaway meals and groceries
  - Sustains increased service levels and adaptation to COVID-19 safety protocol
  - Provides 300,000 meals monthly via network that serves 26,000 seniors and adults with disabilities each year



# COVID-19 Response: Street Food Support

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- Delivers meals to unsheltered individuals living in encampments to meet food needs and reduce travel across the city
- Contractor: The Salvation Army
- 25,000 meals distributed monthly to unsheltered residents in Upper Market, SOMA, Mission, and Bayview neighborhoods

# COVID-19 Response: I/Q Food Helpline

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- Delivers meals and groceries to households in isolation or quarantine due to confirmed or suspected COVID-19 infection
- Contractors: Meals on Wheels, Shanti Project, TBD (pending current procurement process for flexibility in delivery schedule and cuisine type)
- 300 - 450 households served monthly (impacted by surge)

# Discussion