# Project Resilience

### Guidelines for Municipalities

## (Updated 3/17/2020)

We are requesting that each municipality establish a *Local Distribution Center*, which will receive a daily delivery of meals from participating restaurants, distribute them to the County-provided recipient list, and organize home delivery where needed.

The County, through United Way of Ulster County, will pay restaurants based on the number of meals they provide to Project Resilience. All requests for meals through Project Resilience must be processed using the County's <u>form</u>.

The information below is provided as suggested guidance. We will update this regularly and communicate through conference call.

Questions? Please contact us at projectresilience@co.ulster.ny.us

#### Local Distribution Center

- Meal delivery to Center
  - The County will deliver meals to Local Distribution Centers daily by a predetermined time (to be announced.)
  - The County expects that some portion of recipients will be able to pick up at the Center.
- Home meal delivery
  - Individual meal recipients may request home delivery if needed.
  - Ulster County will provide a list of meal recipient's names, contact information and addresses to each Local Distribution Center.
  - Each municipality's Local Distribution Center will coordinate the daily delivery of meals to the list of local recipients.

Other Considerations:

- Refrigeration / food storage capacity.
- Central location.
- Parking capacity.
- Scheduling of staff and/or volunteers (to receive meal deliveries daily from the County, distribute meals onsite to recipients, and provide home meal delivery).
- Ability to limit COVID-19 exposure between workers and program participants

#### Transportation

- The County will provide food transportation between the provider and the Local Distribution Center with municipal vehicles.
- Your town should provide transportation for home deliveries with a municipal vehicle or private vehicles of volunteers.

#### **Considerations for Community Partnerships**

We suggest that you connect with any emergency food services or programs that have emerged to support residents impacted by Coronavirus (COVID-19 in order to avoid duplication of services and to best serve the community.

- The *Project Resilience* webpage has more information, and restaurants interested in providing food should complete the <u>Project Resilience</u> | <u>Restaurants and Food Service Providers</u> form.
- Who is currently providing emergency food distribution in your community?
  - <u>Ulster County's Food Pantries & Soup Kitchens accessible by UCAT</u> provides contact information for some local resources.
  - Do they already have lists of residents in need?
  - Do they provide home delivery?
- What other local groups or organizations could potentially provide home delivery of meals in your community (volunteer fire departments, etc.)?