

# Placer Food Bank

## Response to Coronavirus

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Placer Food Bank (PFB) is an essential business that relies extensively on a volunteer workforce. We are taking the necessary precautions to ensure the safety of staff, volunteers, clients, and food.

Announcements are being monitored from the Center of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), California Department of Public Health (CDPH), and [Placer County Health](#) to ensure that we follow the recommended guidelines. In addition, PFB is taking the following proactive voluntary steps to help reduce contact and/or the spread of Coronavirus.

- Implemented a Symptom Free Sign-in Sheet: All volunteers are required to sign an acknowledgment that they are covid-symptom free prior to entering our facility or arriving at a direct food distribution site
- A temperature check is performed for all volunteers entering the food bank
- Limited volunteer shifts and reconfigured warehouse work spaces to allow for safe social distancing
- Require all volunteers to wear a face-covering (mask, cloth, bandana)
- Provide gloves to all volunteers handling food at our the warehouse and at distribution sites
- Implemented drive-thru food distributions
- Expanded product spacing at food distributions to practice social distancing
- Food is preboxed for distributions to create easy grab-and-go procedures
- Hand sanitizer is available throughout the warehouse and offsite distributions
- Posted signs stating the importance of handwashing
- Advise staff and volunteers to avoid touching their eyes, nose, mouth with unwashed hands
- Advise those who are high risk to stay home ([click here for CDC precautions](#))
- Advise people to avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Advise staff and volunteers to stay home if they display signs of illness or come into contact with affected individuals

### FAQ's

- Is the Placer Food Bank still open and continuing its daily operations? Yes. The Placer Food Bank is essential to the health and wellbeing of the community and is fully operational. Since the situation is fluid, our distributions, hours, and volunteer shifts may change.
- Is the Placer Food Bank still accepting volunteers? Yes. We need your help more than ever! Please e-mail [volunteer@placerfoodbank.org](mailto:volunteer@placerfoodbank.org) to get on our schedule. We are

practicing safe protocol by limiting volunteer shifts. We politely ask that if you are ill, or have been in contact with someone who is ill, please stay home.

- For more information on Coronavirus, please visit the federal [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) website and the [California Department of Public Health](#) website. Both websites are updated daily with the latest information and advice for the public.