

Community Resources Week 2:

Centro Busses will be temporarily waiving all bus fares at all locations starting Tuesday, including Call-A-Bus services

Indoor waiting areas will be closed until further notice.

Outside seating is still available and there will be a Centro supervisor onsite.

They will continue to operate its regularly scheduled weekday and weekend services until further notice including shopper buses for senior centers.

Spectrum: Spectrum says it will [provide free internet access](#) to students who currently don't use its service. The company will install broadband and WiFi in new student households free of charge and provide access for 60 days. The offer is available to families with both K-12 and college students. To Enroll call 1-844-488-8395. Utica households can also call 1-833-697-7328, select the option "I do not have an account, and then select set up new service. You will be asked for your zip code and then directed to a sales associate.

The Center:

Has translated many documents regarding COVID-19

Immigration/Citizenship still operating as well as Care Management

Employment division still able to help clients remotely with employment

Unemployment instructions translated into Karen language-Staff speaks variety of languages, Russian, Burmese etc.

Department of Social Services Case workers:

Workers are scheduled either Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays OR Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 8-6. If you missed an interview for recertification of benefits they are doing their best to call and reschedule to get this done.

There is a drop-off window where a staff member can accept paperwork and provide a receipt for documents provided.

NYS has not extended the authorization periods for SNAP recipients. If they are due to expire this month they will be extended to June 30 and if they expire 4/30 then they extend to the end of July and May 31 will be extended to August 31.

Oneida County COVID-19 Social Services Help Line Help Line

Those services might include a need for day care, services of the aging, chronic care services or other emergency assistance related to illness or the closure of schools and businesses, he said. (315) 798-5439-

Shopping for Seniors: Oneida County Sheriffs office

Walmart: New Hartford, Utica & Rome-Tuesdays 6-7am

Tops: Tuesdays/Thursdays 6-7am

Price Chopper: Everyday 6-7am

Hannaford: Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday: 6-7am

Dollar General: :Daily 8-9am

Target: Wednesdays 8-9am

Walgreens: Tuesday 8-9am

BJs: Daily 8-9am

Many stores stated that pregnant women, people with disabilities and someone who may have medical issues can attend at these times as well but it is best to contact the individual store you will be going to

Chanatrys-Monday-Saturday 7am-8am for Healthcare Workers

Food:

Johnson Park Drive Thru Food Pantry 1405 West Street Lot-Today, March 30th 2-7:30pm

Walkers: Tuesday and Wednesday March 31st and April 1st 3-6pm

Food Pantry

RESCUE MISSION FOOD PANTRY

1013 West St.

Utica, NY

LOBBY IS CLOSED.

GO TO BACK DOOR, RING DOORBELL, THEY WILL LET YOU IN.

They are providing food boxes which are available:

MONDAY- 9:00AM-11:30AM; 1:00PM-3:00PM

THURSDAY-9:00AM-11:30AM;1:00PM-3:00PM

FRIDAY- 9:00AM-11:30AM; 1:00PM-3:00PM

Rescue Mission Utica:

We here handing out to go boxes for breakfast and dinner and a bagged lunch at lunchtime

Hope House:

The hope house is doing hot to go lunches only Monday through Friday 12-1.

Rome, Dolgeville, Waterville, Town of Webb:

Community members in our schools are encouraged to use the Response Team helpline, directing calls or texts to 315-982-2520; they can also call 315-533-5723 or reach out on the Connected Community Schools Facebook page.

In attempts to address food insecurity, specifically in our Brothertown Connected Community Schools location at the Waterville CSD, our Community Response Team will be bringing a FOOD DROP to the WCS Jr/Sr High School on Tuesday March 31 from 1:00 to 5:00pm. Food will be distributed to families in the area. These food bags will include meat, easy to make meals, fresh produce and dairy products. The food will be distributed by our CCS Response Team and area volunteers.

Rome:

*South Rome Senior Center 112 Ridge street will begin serving meals for students Tuesday as a food service grab and go site in addition to the Rome district's 7 elementary schools. It will be open from 11-12

Rome Rescue Mission: to go meals being served: Lunch at noon and Dinner at 4. Their mobile mission vehicle will continue to deliver meals to various locations mentioned last week.

Catholic Charities Food Pantry in Rome 199 W. Dominick Street is open Monday Tuesday Thursday and Friday 9:30-11:30 and again 1-3. They ask that you call first 315-337-8600 and staff will provide assistance by meeting you at the West Dominick Street door.

The Rome Connected Community Schools food pantry is still operational. Food is being distributed Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:00 to 2:00pm weekly out of Gansevoort Elementary School, Rome.

Employment:

Instacart

Kinnys

Walmart

Amazon-Rapid Interviews

CVS

Dollar General

Aldi

Stewarts

Target

Price Chopper

Dominos

***Unemployment:**

NYS is waiving the 7-Day waiting period for Unemployment Insurance benefits for people who are out of work due to Coronavirus (COVID-19) closures or quarantines.

If you are filing a new unemployment insurance claim, the day you should file is based on the first letter of your last name. If your last name starts with A - F, file your claim on Monday. For last names starting with G - N, file your claim on Tuesday. For last names starting with O - Z, file your claim on Wednesday. If you missed your filing day, file your claim on Thursday, Friday or Saturday. Filing later in the week will not delay your payments or affect the date of your claim, since all claims are effective on the Monday of the week in which they are filed.

Here is a [step by step process to file a claim online](#).

We are extending telephone filing hours as follows:

Monday through Thursday, 8 am to 7:30 pm.

Friday, 8:00 am to 6:00 pm.

Saturday, 7:30 am to 8:00 pm.

Children's Activities:

Westmoreland: Saturday April 11th approximately 9-11 Mobile Easter Bunny delivering goodies-at a safe distance

The Children Museum-posting different activities to do with children while at home

Beginning today March 30th WCNY will be broadcasting its "TV Classroom" programming-this will also be available on wcnv.or, WCNY's facebook page and via youtube stream

America's Test Kitchen has gathered a weekly curriculum filled with recipes, activities and quizzes that are all about teaching kids how to cook with bonus extra learning moments about science, math, history and culture. Go to ATKkids.com to access kitchen Classroom.

Virtual Field Trips for kids: <https://www.weareteachers.com/best-virtual-field-trips/>

Zoos, Museums, aquariums

Follow Up Questions: Write a paragraph about your experience, create a poster/brochure about experience, draw about what you learned, write a letter to your teacher or to the place telling them about your field trip and what you liked, make a book about the field trip

Facebook:

Helping Hands COVID-19

Facebook Page: CNY Area Businesses Affected by COVID-19-great page to see local restaurant take out specials, employment opportunities etc.

Mental Health:

NYS Covid-19 emotional support helpline: 844-863-9314

MCAT: 315-732-6228

Office for Aging Helpline: 315-798-5439

The Neighborhood Center:

Main lines are answered Monday through Friday from 8:30-4:30 (315) 272-2600

The following Programs are still running:

Utica Behavioral Health Clinic: the adult and child behavioral health clinic

MCAT

Care Management

Kinship

SOHO

PREP, Community Health Workers, Daycare Registration

CACFP

Project AIM

Refugee Health Program

MVPN NY State of Health for health Insurance

Facebook Live: Mondays Community resource Update, Tuesdays Guided meditation at 11, Wednesdays at 11 story time and activities for children and Friday at 1 Baking with kids