

# **Community Meal Distribution**

## ***A partnership with Omaha's philanthropic community***

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Omaha, NE: In an effort to address the needs of families feeling the financial impact of the Coronavirus pandemic, the NorthStar Foundation, The Learning Community of Douglas and Sarpy Counties, and Millard Public Schools will be distributing evening meals from three drive up sites. Community Meals will be distributed throughout the week for families with school age children. Distribution will include meals for two adults and one meal for each child present in the car plus one additional child's meal. No identification or sign in will be required.

**Community Meal Distribution**  
**Tuesday, March 17 - Friday, March 20**  
**4:00 PM - 6:00 PM**

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### **Three Drive Up Locations**

- ◆ **NorthStar Foundation - 4242 N 49th Avenue**
- ◆ **Learning Community of South Omaha - 2302 M Street**
- ◆ **Millard Central Middle School - 12801 L Street**

"We understand the impact this pandemic is having across the community. We are taking steps to start meeting immediate needs," said Dr. Jim Sutfin, Superintendent of the Millard Public Schools.

"We are so grateful for donors and partners who are making this possible for our families," says Scott Hazelrigg, President and CEO of NorthStar Foundation. "Not only will this alleviate one of their major concerns, it will also allow us to stay connected and provide ongoing support as they need it."

The Learning Community and OneWorld Community Health Centers will work together to manage the South Omaha distribution site. "We want families in North and South Omaha to put health and safety first, but food insecurity is already an issue for at least two-thirds of the families in our programs, said David Patton, CEO of the Learning Community of Douglas and Sarpy Counties. "This distribution plan is an example of how we can combine our community resources to make a difference."

The Food Service Department of the Millard Public Schools will be coordinating the operation through its Food Service staff and facilities. This week's initiative will be monitored and evaluated in order to determine future distribution plans.