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Members of the Danbury Food Collaborative are implementing safety and hygiene precautions to protect the health of participants, volunteers, and staff. Pantries have transitioned from choice pantry models to pre-packaged bags, and they are adjusting sign-in and other processes to allow social distancing and enhanced sanitizing practices.

Food Pantries

Most food pantries provide shelf-stable food (pasta, canned goods, etc.) as well as fresh foods.

**Association of Religious Communities**
24 Delay St., Danbury, CT 06810
Open: Mondays, 12:00pm
25 West St., Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-748-4077
Open: Thursday, 11 am–4 pm.
Eligibility: Individuals / families infected / affected by HIV / AIDS.
Documents needed: Physician signed form on being positive for HIV / AIDS.
Frequency of Visits: Every 2 weeks.

**Bethel Community Food Pantry**
141 Greenwood Avenue, Bethel, CT 06801
Open: 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 2:30-5:30 pm.
Eligibility: Priority is for Bethel residents.
Documents needed: Proof of address
Frequency of Visits: Twice per month

**Community Action Agency of Western CT**
10 Aaron Samuels Blvd., Danbury, CT 06810
203-744-4700 ext. 105
Open: Thursdays, 1-4 pm.
Eligibility: Individuals/families below 235% of Federal Poverty Limit.
Documents needed: Photo ID, income verification
Frequency of Visits: Once a month.

**Daily Bread Food Pantry**
25 West St., Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-748-3561
Open: Mondays, 12:00pm -1:30 pm;
Fridays, 10 am-11:30 am.
Eligibility: Anyone.
Documents needed: None.
Frequency of Visits: Once a month.

**Interfaith AIDS Ministry**
54 Main St., Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-748-4077
Open: Thursday, 11 am-4 pm.
Eligibility: Individuals / families infected / affected by HIV / AIDS.
Documents needed: Physician signed form on being positive for HIV / AIDS.
Frequency of Visits: Every 2 weeks.

**Jericho Food Pantry**
22 Maple Ave, Danbury, CT 06810
203-794-7950 ext. 202
Open: Fridays, 2–3:30 pm.
Eligibility: Everyone welcome for first visit, with photo ID. After first visit, you must apply for voucher to use the pantry. Please call for appointment.
Documents needed: Photo ID, address verification, paystub, children’s birth certificate.
Frequency of Visits: Once a month.

**Purple Heart Ministries Food Pantry**
30 Elm St., Danbury, CT 06810
203-947-2141
Open: Wednesday, distribution starts at 2 pm.
Eligibility: Anyone.
Documents needed: None.
Frequency of Visits: Unrestricted.

**The Salvation Army Emergency Assistance Food Pantry**
15 Foster St., Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-792-7505
Pantry: Wednesdays, 9 am-12 noon
Breadline: Fridays 9 am-12 noon
Eligibility: Residents of Greater Danbury.
Documents needed: Photo ID, proof of address, number of people in household.
Frequency of Visits: Once a month for the pantry, every week for the breadline.

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Victory Christian Center Food Pantry
23 Eden Dr., Danbury, CT 06810
203-778-4444
Open: Every Monday, distribution starts at 1:30 pm.
Eligibility: Anyone in Greater Danbury.
Documents needed: Photo ID with address verification.
Frequency of Visits: Unrestricted.

MOBILE FOOD PANTRIES

The Connecticut Food Bank Mobile Food Pantry schedule is subject to change and will be continuously updated. For more information, go to www.cffoodbank.org and click on the Mobile Food Pantry schedule from the home page.

CONGREGATE MEALS

Congregate meal providers offer prepared meals. Some also offer food pantry items for clients to take home.

**Catholic Charities Morning Glory Program**
11 Spring St., Danbury, CT / 203-349-2428
Morning Glory is temporarily suspending service. The program and its staff will continue to be a resource for clients and partners.

**Dorothy Day House of Hospitality**
11 Spring St., Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-743-7988
Open: Kitchen is serving grab and go bags of food from 3 pm-4:30 pm daily.
Eligibility: Anyone.
Required documents: None.
Frequency of visits: Unrestricted.

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**Delivered Grocery Bags**

**Hillside Food Outreach**
39 Old Ridgebury Rd., Suite 16, Danbury, CT 203-702-4891
Hillside Food Outreach makes home deliveries of groceries to quarantined people in the Danbury area. Call 203-702-4891 or visit their website for ways to help: [https://hillsidefoodoutreach.org](https://hillsidefoodoutreach.org).

**SNAP (Food Stamps)**

**End Hunger Connecticut! SNAP Call Center**
[www.endhungercert.org](http://www.endhungercert.org)
The End Hunger Connecticut’s SNAP Call Center remains in full operation to help with applications, redeterminations, and other assistance for SNAP. They are experiencing an influx of calls, so you may need to leave a message. English and Spanish support.
Call the toll-free SNAP Call Center at 866-974-SNAP (7627) To check hours and for more information, go to [www.ctsnap.org](http://www.ctsnap.org).

**Food Rescue US**

[www.foodrescue.us](http://www.foodrescue.us) 27 Ann St., Ground Floor, Norwalk, CT 06854(800) 280-3298
Food Rescue US is committed to ending American food insecurity by directly transferring fresh, usable food that would have otherwise been thrown away from restaurants, grocers & other sources to food-insecure families throughout the U.S. They are now providing individual meals to their social service partners, along with excess food donations. Please contact Danielle Blaine at [danielle@foodrescue.us](mailto:danielle@foodrescue.us) if you would like to volunteer or your organization is interested in receiving food donations.

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DANBURY PUBLIC SCHOOL MEALS
Grab-and-go meals are available Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10 to 11:30 am throughout the district for any child 18 and younger.
You will receive 2 days of breakfast and lunch on Mondays and 3 days of breakfast and lunch on Wednesdays for each child.
Your child does not need to accompany you on the grab and go. You can drive up, and a meal will be delivered to you or stations will be available for walk up pickup. Please refrain from congregating in a single area.
Locations and times could change. Any changes will be communicated via robocall.
If you have any questions or have challenges getting to one of these locations, you can email Danbury Public Schools School Nutrition at schoolnutrition@danbury.k12.ct.us

For more information go to www.streetfoodnyc.org

Homebound Seniors
Danbury seniors who need food or groceries delivered can contact Connecticut Community Care at 203-591-5485.
If you are a homebound senior over the age of 60 who is not participating in the CT Homescare Program and would like Meals on Wheels, call Western CT Area Agency on Aging at 800-994-9422 or 203-757-5449. They are arranging for a 2-week supply of meals to be delivered to homebound seniors.

Danbury Senior Center at Elmwood Hall
10 Elmwood Place, Danbury, CT 06810
Call or visit their website: www.danburyconnecticut.org

Senior Hours at Grocery Stores
The following grocery stores are only allowing seniors and those with vulnerable immune systems to shop during certain hours:

ShopRite: 6–7 am for customers 65+
Stop & Shop: 6–7:30 am for customers 60+
Cataluzzi’s: 7–8 am for customers 65+
Stew Leonard’s: Opens 30 minutes early each day for seniors and those with vulnerable immune systems. StewLeonards.com

Target: Reserves the first hour of shopping each Wednesday for the elderly and those with underlying conditions. Target.com

Whole Foods: Opens 1 hour early for customers 60 and older. wholefoods-market.com

FARMERS MARKET

Danbury Farmers’ Market
203-791-1711
Open: Fridays 10 am – 2 pm, June 19th thru Oct. 30
Danbury Railway Museum, 120 White St. Visit www.DanburyFarmerMarket.org or on Facebook DanburyConnecticutFarmers

Eligibility: Open to all.
Accepts SNAP, WIC, Communi-ty Certificates. Provides unlimited $1 for $1 match for SNAP, up to $9 match for WIC and Senior Farmer Market Nutrition Program vouchers.
Veterans and Senior discount program proof needed.
Frequency of visits: Unrestricted.
Food: Fresh, local.

SENIOR FOOD RESOURCES

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Danbury Senior Center at Elmwood Hall
10 Elmwood Place, Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-797-4686
The Danbury Senior Center was a congregation meal site for seniors. Now 4 of the 5 meals are delivered to Danbury seniors twice a week. The Senior Center is at capacity and has started a waitlist. Call the Senior Center at 203-797-4686.

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DANBURY WIC PROGRAM (Women, Infants & Children)
203-456-1410
Currently all appointments are by phone.

Services:
Individual time to speak with a nutritionist or trained professional about your diet or your child’s diet; breastfeeding support and information; referrals to health care and other social services; an eWIC card to buy healthy food for you or your children.

Eligibility:
Pregnant women (through pregnancy and up to 6 weeks after birth or after pregnancy ends); breastfeeding women (up to infant’s 1st birthday); non-breastfeeding postpartum women (up to 6 months after the birth of an infant or after pregnancy ends); infants** (up to 1st birthday); children** up to their 5th birthday;
**fathers, grandparents, foster parents or other guardians may apply.

Requirements:
Must live in Connecticut. You do not need to be a U.S. citizen; must complete a nutrition assessment with WIC staff; must meet the WIC income guidelines which are set at or below 185% of the federal poverty income limit.

IF YOU WANT TO HELP
Donate: You can donate to the Danbury Food Collaborative by going to www.uwwesternct.org/danburyfoodcollaborative
You can also donate directly to the food pantries listed on this guide.
Volunteer: If you want to volunteer to deliver food to the homebound, call Stacy Schulman at 203-826-8479 or stacy.schulman@uwwesternct.org

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