



# WHERE CAN I GET EMERGENCY FOOD IN GEELONG

Up to Date Information about Who, How, When and Where You can Access Food Assistance During the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic

We know that the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic is creating added stress for many who need emergency food relief in Geelong.

The **Victorian State Government announced a new effort effective 23 March to provide emergency relief packages for vulnerable Victorians needing to self-quarantine due to coronavirus (COVID-19)**. These packages contain only the basics for people who do not have access to a support network or alternative means of obtaining supplies such as on-line delivery. All requests will be assessed on need and urgency, prioritising those in greatest need. Wherever possible, they are asking all Victorians to arrange for family or friends who are not required to be self-isolated to get food or necessities for you. If you are, however, in urgent need and don't have a support network who can help you, you can call the coronavirus hotline on 1800 675 398 or visit [HERE](#) to learn more.

**There are also a many organisations that provide food assistance in the local Geelong region.** Many, however, have made changes to their services due to COVID-19. Below is current information (**last updated 31 March 2020**) about who, how, when and where food assistance is available in the Geelong region.

Due to changing conditions and your health and safety we encourage you to call ahead before going out to access emergency food relief.

Agency	What	Address	Phone	When
<b>ADRA Share Kitchen - Meals</b>	Prepared Meals available as takeaway only.	6 Little Myers Street, Geelong		Thursdays 4:30pm
<b>ADRA Share Kitchen – Parcels and Vouchers</b>	Food parcels and food vouchers available (with limits)		5222 1153 for parcels 0404 919 633 for vouchers	Call to request assistance
<b>Anglesea Foodlink</b>	Food parcels for Anglesea & Aireys Inlet residents.	c/o Anglesea & District Community House, 5 McMillan St., Anglesea	5263 2116	Please contact the Community House Monday-Friday 9:00am-5:00pm
<b>Bellarine Living and Learning Centres</b>	Already prepared Food Parcels made up of non-perishable items only, available over the counter for those who live in the Whittington and 3219 community.	20 Worden Court, Whittington	5248 1926	<b>Last open 25 March. Closed for at least 2 weeks, hoping to re-open at beginning of Term 2.</b>

<b>Bethany Community Support - Emergency Relief</b>	Help for low and fixed-income individuals and families who are in financial crisis and who need immediate assistance for a short period of time with items including food relief in the form of Vouchers.		03 52788122 or email <a href="mailto:emergencyreliefbarwon@bethany.org.au">emergencyreliefbarwon@bethany.org.au</a>	Call or email for an appointment. Appointments will be conducted over the phone.
<b>Catholic Care – Geelong Family Resource Centre</b>	Offers financial or material aid to assist people experiencing financial hardship. Includes food vouchers (grocery store).		0428 898 645	Tuesday 12:00-4:00pm and Friday 9:00am-1:00pm. Call mobile to book an appointment. Conducting assessments by phone.
<b>Christ Church Community Meals – Breakfast Program</b>	Prepared Meals available as takeaway only.	Corner of Moorabol and McKillop Streets, Geelong	5221 8055	Breakfast everyday 7:30-9:00am
<b>Christ Church Community Meals – Dinner Program</b>	Prepared Meals available as takeaway only.	Corner of Moorabol and McKillop Streets, Geelong	5221 8055	Dinner Monday and Wednesday 5:00-6:30pm
<b>Christ Church Community Meals – Parcels</b>	Food Parcels of non-perishable items only – limiting number of items in parcels to 10 items	Corner of Moorabol and McKillop Streets, Geelong	5221 8055	Monday to Friday 12:00–2:00pm (except Public Holidays)
<b>Cottage by the Sea</b>	Heat-at-home meals and essential toiletries to vulnerable residents of Queenscliff and Point Lonsdale.		03 5258 1663 or email <a href="mailto:info@cottagebythesea.com.au">info@cottagebythesea.com.au</a>	If you need help with essential toiletries or nourishing meals, please contact by phone or email
<b>Drysdale Family Support Food Bank</b>	Food Pantry available to Bellarine Residents only. Note clients now must live Leopold east to the end of the Peninsula and down to Barwon Heads and east to Queenscliffe to be eligible to receive services.	276 Jetty Road, Curlewis	5253 2099	Arranged appointments for current clients to pick up food. Short in person or phone interviews for new clients.
<b>Feed Me Bellarine</b>	Turns leftover food into nutritious meals and delivers to people in need across the Bellarine Peninsula	24 Sinclair St Ocean Grove, Victoria	0422 798 791	Phone or message on <a href="https://www.facebook.com/feedmebellarine">facebook</a> (facebook.com/feedmebellarine) with details

<b>Lazarus Community Centre</b>	Drop in Centre that provides Lunch and access to laundry and shower facilities	202 Myers Street, Geelong	0439 140 100	Closed indefinitely from 4pm Wednesday 18 March
<b>Loaves and Fishes - Ocean Grove Uniting Church</b>	Food pantry (fruit and vegetables, bread and pantry staples.	Corner Eggleston St & The Parade, Ocean Grove		Closed until further notice
<b>Manifold Heights Baptist Food Service</b>	Food parcels (non-perishables) to local (5km radius) families in need.	163 Shannon Ave, Manifold Heights		Last delivery 25 March. Closed until further notice
<b>Norlane Community Initiatives – People’s Pantry</b>	Food Pantry for members. Members must be 3214 residents. \$15 fee and volunteering duties required for 6-month membership	4-8 Spruhan Ave., Norlane	5278 6171	Wednesday 2-3pm. Making up parcels for members to collect during this time (instead of being able to select own items).
<b>Norlane Community Initiatives – Longroom Dinner</b>	Prepared Meals available as takeaway only.	4-8 Spruhan Ave., Norlane	5278 6171	Monday from 4:00pm
<b>OneCare Geelong</b>	Prepared Meals available as takeaway and pantry item parcels	61 Candover St, Geelong West	0481445057	Tuesday and Thursday 10:00-12:00pm for pick up  If you would like a meal but are unable to attend the Centre to pick up please TEXT your name, address and numbers of people in your household to arrange a delivery.
<b>Portarlington Food Assistance</b>	Food pantry of non-perishables, bread, fruit & veg; only for residents of 3223 postcode	Bellarine Community Health 39 Fenwick St, Portarlington	5258 6140	Wednesday 1:30pm - 3:30pm
<b>St Andrews Foodshare</b>	Emergency Food Parcels for the Corio community and surrounding suburbs including Bell Post Hill, Norlane, Lovely Banks, North Shore etc. One parcel per household per month, 12 per year.	108 Bacchus Marsh Road Corio	0451 095 881 or 5275 4597	Tuesday – Friday 10:00am-3:00pm

<b>St Mary's Parish Pantry</b>	Food assistance for Centrelink card holders, refugees and those referred by other registered welfare agencies.	150 Yarra St, Geelong (Roller Door)	5222 1977	Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 1:00-3:00pm
<b>St Vincent de Paul Society</b>	Food parcels and/or vouchers and other support and welfare assistance. No longer going into homes. Once a request for a visit is received by Call Centre, clients will be phoned to understand assistance needed and food parcel can be left at front door or vouchers left in mailbox or other arranged spot.	Geelong Welfare Call Centre	5221 9170	Call Monday to Friday (except Public Holidays) 9:00am-12:00pm to request assistance
<b>Sikh Community of Greater Geelong Food Relief Program</b>	Cooked <i>vegetarian</i> only meals for those who have seniors, international students and those who have self-isolated.	25 Arunga Ave., Norlane	Email <a href="mailto:info@scogg.org.au">info@scogg.org.au</a> for more information	<b>TEXT</b> name, address, phone number with food quantity needed (please mention any special dietary requirements) prior to 1:00pm to 0423 069 194 for delivery between 6:00-8:00pm that evening – Geelong only.
<b>Spare Meals Geelong</b>	Private home collection of frozen meals and pantry items from Corio or Newcomb	<a href="#">PM via Facebook</a>		<b>Temporarily closed as of 16 March 2020.</b>
<b>The Aviary Cafe</b>	Social Enterprise offering Pantry Staples Boxes (\$20) and prepared meals for purchase (for example Small dinner (feeds 2) \$10, Large dinner (feeds 5) \$20)	45-49 Robin Ave, Norlane	Order online ( <a href="https://www.theaviary.org.au/">https://www.theaviary.org.au/</a> ) or <b>PM via Facebook page</b> ( <a href="https://www.facebook.com/The-Aviary-Cafe-543929836131474/">https://www.facebook.com/The-Aviary-Cafe-543929836131474/</a> )	Place your order before 3pm Monday to Thursday for delivery (NO pick-up available) between 3pm-5pm the following day (or Monday if ordered Friday).

<b>The fOrT Youth Centre</b>	<p>Cooked and packaged meal for <b>young people ages 12-25</b> to take away.</p> <p>Young people can also engage with online activities and recipe videos through @fortgeelong (Facebook page) or search for through Facebook, using the title The fOrT.</p>	<p>Cnr St Georges Road and Princes Highway Stead Park Corio</p>	<p>5274 9074</p>	<p>Monday and Thursday 4:00-5:00pm</p>
<b>The Salvation Army – Northside Geelong Community Centre</b>	<p>Food Vouchers (redeemable at Geelong Food Relief Centre), food parcels and other support.</p>	<p>92-96 Cox Road, Corio</p>	<p>5275 7771</p>	<p>Monday – Friday 9.00am 12.00pm or 1.00pm-3.00pm. Call to arrange an appointment or a food pick-up. Appointments will be conducted over the phone.</p>
<b>The Salvation Army - Doorways</b>	<p>Food Vouchers (redeemable at Geelong Food Relief Centre) and other support</p>	<p>28 Bellarine Street, Geelong</p>	<p>5223 9200 (Bellarine Street)</p>	<p>Monday to Friday 9am-3:00pm. Call to book an appointment.</p>
<b>The Outpost</b>	<p>Prepared meals as takeaway – asking attendees to enter space one at a time to receive meal to maintain safe distance</p>	<p>Corner of Clare Street and Transit Place, Geelong</p>		<p><b>Closed until further notice from 3:00pm 24 March 2020.</b></p>
<b>Torquay Food Aid</b>	<p>Food parcels which provide a range of healthy staple foods based on availability, including milk, eggs, fresh fruit and vegetables, tinned food and other donated items.</p>	<p>Torquay Christian Fellowship building, 2 Pimelea Drive, Torquay.</p> <p>It's the old Surf Coast Shire offices off Grossmans Rd, Torquay.</p>	<p>Please make contact by an SMS to 0409 614 630 or by email to torquayfoodaid@gmail.com.</p>	<p>Wednesday – this week food parcels will be home delivered to clients.</p>
<b>Uniting Barwon - Grovedale</b>	<p>Food Vouchers (redeemable at Geelong Food Relief Centre) and other support</p>	<p>272 Torquay Rd. (corner Reserve and Torquay Rds), Grovedale</p>	<p>4210 1100</p>	<p>Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9:30am-12:00pm.</p> <p>Call to book an appointment. Appointments now being conducted by phone. Providing vouchers and pre-packaged parcels.</p>

<b>Uniting Barwon - Norlane</b>	Food Vouchers (redeemable at Geelong Food Relief Centre) and other support	10 Wendover Avenue, Norlane	5278 8492	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9:30am-12:00pm.  Call to book an appointment. Appointments now being conducted by phone. Providing vouchers and pre-packaged parcels.
<b>Uniting Barwon - Winchelsea</b>	Food Vouchers (redeemable at IGA Supermarket) and other support	34 Hesse Street, Winchelsea (Hall next to Church)	0419 535 490	Thursday 10:00am-12:00pm.  Call to book an appointment. Appointments now being conducted by phone. Providing vouchers and pre-packaged parcels.
<b>Welcome Place</b>	Drop-in Centre for vulnerable people in Geelong who are seeking asylum, or who have only temporary protection in Australia, services includes a foodbank	Wesley Church Geelong, 100 Yarra Street, Geelong	0437 439 667	<b>Program suspended for at least 3 weeks from Friday 20 March.</b>

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