



WHERE CAN I GET EMERGENCY FOOD IN GEELONG

Up to Date Information as of 7 August 2020 about Who, How, When and Where You can Access Food Assistance during the Coronavirus (Covid-19) Pandemic

We know that the Covid-19 pandemic is creating added stress for many who need emergency food relief across the Geelong region.

The **Victorian State Government announced a new effort to provide emergency relief packages for vulnerable Victorians needing to self-quarantine due to coronavirus (Covid-19)**. If you require an emergency relief package you can call the government Coronavirus Hotline on 1800 675 398 or visit [HERE](#) to learn more.

There are also many organisations that provide food assistance in the local Geelong region. Some, however, have made changes to their services due to Covid-19. Below is current information (**last updated 7 August 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 or to opt for contactless delivery if available.

Agency	What	Address	Contact	When
ADRA Share Kitchen - Meals	Prepared Meals available as takeaway only.	6 Little Myers Street, Geelong		Thursdays 4:30pm
ADRA Share Kitchen – Parcels and Vouchers	Food parcels and food vouchers available (with limits)		5222 1153 for parcels 0491 846 136 for vouchers	Call to request assistance
Anglesea Foodlink	Food parcels for Anglesea and Aireys Inlet residents.	c/o Anglesea & District Community House, 5 McMillan Street, Anglesea	Phone 5263 2116 Message via Anglesea Community House by clicking here	Please contact the Community House Monday-Friday 9:00am-5:00pm

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APCO Foundation Care Packs	Packs contain one week's essential groceries (worth about \$100) including toilet paper, pasta, rice, eggs, canned vegetables and more. To be eligible to receive an APCO Foundation Care Pack, you must live within a 20km radius of an APCO Service Stations store (local stores locations include: North Geelong, East Geelong, South Geelong, Newcomb, Highton, Grovedale, Barwon Heads and Lara)		Email Foundationcare@apco.com.au Phone 1800 595 517 and leave a mobile number and message and we will get back to you asap.	Contact via email or phone to request a Care pack. Care Pack will be delivered to your home.
Bellarine Living and Learning Centres	Prepared Food Parcels made up of non-perishable items and frozen prepared meals for those who live in the Whittington and 3219 community.	20 Worden Court, Whittington	Office phone 5248 1926 Email foodsecurityon@blc.org.au	On site closed until 21 September. If you require support please call or email for assistance.
Bethany Community Support - Emergency Relief	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 relief in the form of supermarket and fuel vouchers as well as bill payments.		5278 8122 or email emergencyreliefbarwon@bethany.org.au	Call or email for an appointment. Appointments will be conducted over the phone. Vouchers being delivered to mailboxes or electronically in the form of eVouchers.
Catholic Care Geelong Family Resource Centre - Emergency Relief	Offers financial or material aid to assist people experiencing financial hardship that includes supermarket vouchers both plastic and digital, as well as food vouchers that can be used at the Geelong Food Relief Centre. We also provide Coles Express fuel vouchers.		0428 898 645	Tuesday and Wednesday 12:00-4:00pm and Friday 9:00am-1:00pm. Call mobile to book an appointment. Conducting assessments by phone. Vouchers can be Express posted or emailed.
Christ Church Community Meals – Breakfast Program	Prepared Meals available as takeaway only.	Corner of Moorabool and McKillop Streets, Geelong	5221 8055	Breakfast everyday 7:30-9:00am
Christ Church Community Meals – Dinner Program	Prepared Meals available as takeaway only.	Corner of Moorabool and McKillop Streets, Geelong	5221 8055	Dinner Monday and Wednesday 5:00pm-6:00pm
Christ Church Community Meals – Parcels	Food Parcels of non-perishable items only – limiting number of items in parcels to 10 items	Corner of Moorabool and McKillop Streets, Geelong	5221 8055	Monday to Friday 12:00pm-2:00pm (not Public Holidays)

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Cottage by the Sea	Heat-at-home meals and essential toiletries to vulnerable residents of Queenscliff and Point Lonsdale.		03 5258 1663 or email info@cottagebythesea.com.au	If you need help with essential toiletries or nourishing meals, please contact by phone or email
Drysdale Family Support Food Bank	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	Ph: 5253 2099 M: 0492 875 069	Arranged appointments for current clients to pick up food. Short in person or phone interviews for new clients.
Feed Me Bellarine	Food relief crates of fresh veg, fruit, dry goods and chef ready made meals available for delivery. 7 days a week Register online to be added to a food run. Bellarine, Geelong & Surf Coast.	24 Sinclair Street Ocean Grove, Victoria	M: 0422 798 791 Email: feedmebellarine@gmail.com Message on facebook with details. Online form click here	Market open Tuesday-Saturday 10-4 pm. No registration to attend. Emergency relief available before and after hours Open to public - COVID restrictions apply.
Feed Me Surf Coast	Servicing Geelong & Surf Coast - Food relief crates of fresh veg, fruit, dry goods and chef ready made meals available for delivery.		Phone: 0422 441 205 Email: feedmesurfcoast@gmail.com Message on facebook with details	Delivery direct to houses 7 days a week. Emergency relief available before and after hours. No market and not open to public
Geelong Food Relief Centre (GFRC) North Geelong	GFRC minimarts replicate your local supermarket providing Food Voucher recipients with a full range of fresh, chilled, frozen and ambient products on a daily basis. GFRC offers referred clients the ability to select products at their discretion in a dignified and compassionate environment creating the full supermarket experience.	8 Freedman Street North Geelong VIC 3215	Phone: (03) 5278 6588 Email: admin@geelongfoodrelief.org Website: www.geelongfoodrelief.org	Open: 10.00am – 3.00pm Monday to Friday Food vouchers provided by referring agencies offer clients 5-6 times more value than a supermarket. A full range of fresh nutritious food, chilled, frozen and ambient products including pet and personal hygiene products can be obtained via food voucher redemption at GFRC.

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Geelong Food Relief Centre (GFRC) Geelong CBD	<p>GFRC minimarts replicate your local supermarket providing Food Voucher recipients with a full range of fresh, chilled, frozen and ambient products on a daily basis.</p> <p>GFRC offers referred clients the ability to select products at their discretion in a dignified and compassionate environment creating the full supermarket experience</p>	1 LT Smythe Street Geelong VIC 3220	Mobile: 0429 891 465 Email: admin@geelongfoodrelief.org Website: www.geelongfoodrelief.org	Open: 10am – 3pm Monday to Friday Food vouchers provided by referring agencies offer clients 5-6 times more value than a supermarket. A full range of fresh nutritious food, chilled, frozen and ambient products including pet and personal hygiene products can be obtained via food voucher redemption at GFRC.
Lazarus Community Centre	Drop-in Centre that provides Lunch and access to laundry and shower facilities. Tea, Coffee and biscuits available all day.	202 Myers Street, Geelong	0419 741 935	Monday to Friday 9.30am-4pm. Lunch served at 12 noon.
Loaves and Fishes - Ocean Grove Uniting Church	Food pantry (fruit and vegetables, bread and pantry staples).	Corner Eggleston Street & The Parade, Ocean Grove		Closed until further notice
Manifold Heights Baptist Food Service	Food parcels (non-perishables) to local (5km radius) families in need.	163 Shannon Avenue, Manifold Heights		Closed until further notice
Norlane Community Initiatives – People’s Pantry	Food Pantry for members. Members must be 3214 residents. \$15 fee and volunteering duties required for 6-month membership	4-8 Spruhan Avenue, Norlane	5278 6171	Wednesday 2:00pm-3:00pm. Making up parcels for members to collect during this time (instead of being able to select own items).
Norlane Community Initiatives – Longroom Dinner	Prepared Meals available and pantry packs available to 3214 residents.	4-8 Spruhan Avenue, Norlane	5278 6171	Mondays Meals delivered directly to homes.
OneCare Geelong	Pre-prepared frozen meals and grocery items will be available for pick up.	61 Candover Street, Geelong West	5229 2133	Tuesday and Thursday 10:00am-12:00pm for pick up.

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Planet Shakers Geelong/Empower	Open food pantry with items including staple non-perishables, fruit and veg and toiletries. Food Pantry can be accessed from the back of the building. Look for signage or people to direct you.	147 Marshalltown Road, Grovedale		Sunday 9:30 pm – 1:00 pm.
Portarlington Food Assistance	Food pantry of non-perishables, bread, fruit & veg; only for residents of 3223 postcode	St. Andrew's Church Hall, 111 Newcombe Street (near corner of Fisher Street), Portarlington	0421 054 842	Wednesday 1:30pm-3:30pm
St Andrews Foodshare	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 to Friday 10:00am-3:00pm
St Mary's Parish Pantry	Food assistance for Centrelink card holders, refugees and those referred by other registered welfare agencies.	150 Yarra Street, Geelong (Roller Door)	5222 1977	Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 1:00-3:00pm
St Vincent de Paul Society	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
Sikh Community of Greater Geelong Food Relief Program	Cooked <i>vegetarian</i> only meals seniors, international students, those who have self-isolated, others in need and healthcare workers.	25 Arunga Avenue, Norlane	Email info@scogg.org.au for more information To book a meal TEXT 0423 069 194 with name, phone number with food quantity needed (please mention any special dietary requirements) prior to 2:00pm on day of pickup.	Sunday and Wednesday, 5:00-7:00pm. Pick up from Gurudwara Sahib Geelong – delivery no longer available.

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Spare Meals Geelong	Private home collection of frozen meals and pantry items from Corio or Newcomb	PM via Facebook		Closed until further notice.
The Aviary Cafe	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 Avenue, Norlane	Order online https://www.theaviary.org.au/ Or PM via Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/The-Aviary-Cafe-543929836131474/)	Monday to Friday – must pre-order, delivery only. Place your order before 3:00pm Monday to Thursday for delivery (NO pick-up available) between 3:00pm-5:00pm the following day (or Monday if ordered Friday).
The fOrT Youth Centre	Cooked and packaged meals for young people ages 12-25 to take away or for delivery. Young people can also engage with online activities and recipe videos through @fortgeelong (facebook page) or search through facebook, using the title the fOrT.	Corner St Georges Road and Princes Highway, Stead Park, Corio	5274 9074	Monday 2:30 pm – 4:30 pm, Pick-up or delivery.
The Salvation Army Colac	Pantry items (selected by clients) and vouchers.	100 Broomfield Street, Colac	5231 1178	Pantry items available by appointment Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 10:00am-2:00pm Vouchers available by appointment Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00am-2:00pm
The Salvation Army - Doorways	Food, food vouchers (for use at Geelong Food Relief Centre) and other support	28 Bellarine Street, Geelong	5223 9200 (Bellarine Street)	Monday to Friday 9:00am-3:00pm. Call to book an appointment.
The Salvation Army – Northside Geelong Community Centre	Food vouchers, food parcels and other support. For people attending the market days please bring current identification which has your name and address on it (health care/ pension card, drivers licence).	92-96 Cox Road, Corio	5275 7771 Also check facebook page for announcements re: food available for pick up (https://www.facebook.com/TSANorthside/)	Monday – Friday 9.00am 12.00pm or 1.00pm-3.00pm. Call to arrange an appointment or book a food pick-up. Appointments will be conducted over the phone.

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The Outpost	Prepared meals as takeaway – asking attendees to enter space one at a time to receive meal to maintain safe distance	Corner of Clare Street and Transit Place, Geelong		Closed until further notice.
Torquay Food Aid	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.	Torquay Christian Fellowship building, 2 Pimelea Drive, Torquay. Access via gravel carpark	Please make contact by an SMS to 0409 614 630 or by email to torquayfoodaid@gmail.com	Wednesdays between 1:30 pm and 3:00 pm – Food parcels must be booked beforehand.
Uniting Barwon - Grovedale	Food parcels, food vouchers (for use at Geelong Food Relief Centre) and other support	272 Torquay Road (corner Reserve and Torquay Roads), Grovedale	4210 1100	Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 9:30am-12:00pm. Call to book an appointment. Appointments now being conducted by phone.
Uniting Barwon - Norlane	Food parcels, food vouchers (for use 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.
Uniting Barwon - Winchelsea	Food Vouchers (for use 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.
Wathaurong Aboriginal Co-operative	Ready-made meals and food resources for the local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community who are struggling financially or needing to self-isolate.	Lot 62 Morgan St, North Geelong.	5277 0044. Registration forms for the program are available here https://forms.gle/j6rBHaoeqJmDgMB69	Pre-packaged meals are delivered on Mondays and Grocery Boxes including fresh produce are delivered on Wednesdays.
Welcome Place	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	Closed until further notice.