



Pennsylvania Council of Feeding America Food Banks



March 20, 2020

To our partners in the charitable food network:

Please be advised that regardless of the Pennsylvania mandates for business closing, quarantine, and/or sheltering, the charitable food network will always be exempt. Our work on the front lines to fight food insecurity across the Commonwealth is considered life sustaining work. This work includes that of food banks and partner agencies—pantries, soup kitchens, and shelters—and most of all, our most valuable asset, our volunteers.

Access to safe and nourishing food through our network is needed now more than ever. If you are healthy and able, please take precautions and continue to operate and volunteer. Together, we are meeting an essential need when our communities need us the most.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jane Clements-Smith".

Jane Clements-Smith  
Executive Director  
Feeding Pennsylvania

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sheila Christopher".

Sheila Christopher  
Executive Director  
Hunger-Free Pennsylvania

### Common Good for the Commonwealth

- Central Pennsylvania Food Bank, *Harrisburg* • Community Food Warehouse of Mercer County, *Sharon*
- Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank, *Duquesne* • H & J Weinberg Northeast Pennsylvania Regional Food Bank, *Wilkes Barre*
- Philabundance, *Philadelphia* • Second Harvest Food Bank of the Lehigh Valley and Northeast Pennsylvania, *Allentown*
- Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest Pennsylvania, *Erie* • Westmoreland County Food Bank, *Delmont*