

During this trying time, we are still dedicated to loving our neighbors and supporting those in need. Thank you to all the parishioners who have reached out regarding how they can help our community. We are in touch with local ministry partners that we can support during this Corona virus outbreak. These ministry partners are already positioned to meet the public. Dunwoody UMC will be directing donations to these agencies, rather than trying to establish our own distribution center. Of course, we will continue to assist walk-in needs, but we will be promoting our equipped ministry partners as the first step in receiving assistance.

1. **Calling volunteers to sew!**

Big Frog Custom T-Shirts of Dunwoody has printed face mask templates on t-shirts for locals who will volunteer to sew. The masks are not medical grade, but they provide about 50-75% efficacy of slowing the COVID-19 virus, among other benefits. If you would like to volunteer to sew, please pick up a shirt outside Big Frog at 1402B Dunwoody Village Parkway (near to El Azteca). Cut out the templates from the shirt, and use the shirt material or your own fabric to make masks. Donate completed masks in the bin under the Activities Building portico at Dunwoody United Methodist Church, 1548 Mt Vernon Rd. Place all masks in a Ziplock bag prior to putting in the bin. Masks will be sanitized and delivered to the Sewing Masks for Atlanta Hospitals organization. Below is a photo of the shirt.



2. The following agencies are accepting donations of food:

- Malachi's Storehouse at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church (4755 N. Peachtree Road, Dunwoody).

They will be distributing food on Wednesdays 11:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. DUMC will be coordinating getting donations to them. They do not currently need more volunteers.

- The CAC (8607 Roswell Road, Sandy Springs)

They will be distributing food Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m.– 3:00 p.m. Donations should be taken straight to the CAC, instead of being dropped off at the church. Sign up to [volunteer](#), or make an [online donation](#).

3. DeKalb County has set up free lunch distribution sites for students.

Click to [view details](#).

4. Purchase a grocery store gift card online

Thank you for your support by having grocery store gift cards mailed to Dunwoody UMC for community needs. We are now amending our request to have grocery store gift cards mailed directly to Corners Outreach (our Hightower Homework Club partner). It's a great way to help these families without leaving your house. You can purchase grocery store gift cards online (example: www.publix.com/gift), and have them mailed to Corners Outreach (2 Sun Court Ste 220, Peachtree Corners, GA 30092.). Thank you!

5. Support Rise Against Hunger

Rise Against Hunger (our partner at Foodstock) had to cancel some packing events because of the Coronavirus outbreak, but they still have a need for donations. You can do good from home by supporting them online: www.riseagainsthunger.org.

6. COVID-19 Community Economic Relief Hotline

United Way has a COVID-19 Community Economic Relief hotline. They can help with bills, rent and food. You can call 1-866-211-9966 and provide your zip code, and you will be given a list of local agencies that provide assistance.