



Our City of Benson Mayor, Council, and City Manager care deeply about our residents and are pleased to announce the Benson Area Transit, in cooperation with the Benson Community Food Pantry, will provide a free no-contact home-delivery service every Wednesday during this pandemic. We aspire to keep everyone healthy by limiting social exposure and assisting residents with underlying health conditions to meet their basic food needs.

Wednesday, April 8, was our first time offering this and it was a huge success with almost 40 deliveries to Benson, Mescal/J-6, Pomerene and St. David.

To have food delivered you must call Benson Area Transit at 520-586-9406 each week by 3 p.m. the Monday before. Be prepared to give your name, address, birthdate, and number of people in your household, (this information is helpful for federal funding).

If you prefer to pick up your own food box, the Food Pantry opens Wednesday at 9 a.m., located at 1120 West 4th Street, Benson (off Easy Street), and they will be practicing safety measures. If you have questions, contact them direct at 520-200-5186 for other hours and more information.

Weekly Wednesday distribution of food changes but typically includes bread, canned goods, fresh fruit and vegetables, dairy products and meat. We do not have control over inventory, so this free service is dependent upon supplies and our manpower, and on a first-come, first-served basis so please get your order in as early as you can before each Monday at 3 p.m.

We will leave your box of items near your front door or on your porch, and knock before we leave, so you and our driver are both protected; our drivers will be unable to bring your groceries inside due to the COVID-19.

Also, we suggest using the CDC advised precautions such as washing all produce well, cleaning your food-prep areas, and so on.

This service will be provided until further notice.