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Duquesne, PA (April 10, 2020) – Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank (the Food Bank) hosted its sixth drive-up emergency food distribution in Pittsburgh today. The Food Bank served 1,300 vehicles in three hours (10 a.m. – 1 p.m.) in conjunction with the Pittsburgh Penguins, Allegheny-Fayette Central Labor Council and Pittsburgh Police. The PA National Guard assisted Food Bank staff and volunteers in handing out boxes. Each car received two (25 lb.) boxes of food. Approximately 65,000 pounds of food was distributed.

While the Food Bank did have to turn away several hundred vehicles due to high demand, the organization’s network includes other ways to receive food assistance including food pantries, school meals for kids and applying for SNAP (food stamps).

The Food Bank has served approximately 7,300 vehicles at emergency distributions since its COVID-19 response began.

Upcoming drive-up distributions include:

- Monday, April 13, 2020 from noon – 3 p.m. at the Food Bank (1 N Linden Street, Duquesne, PA 15110). The Food Bank will be able to serve up to 1,000 vehicles.
- Tuesday, April 14, 2020 from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Alameda Park (Pool Drive, Butler, PA 16001). The Food Bank will be able to serve up to 575 vehicles.

Additional drive-up distributions are being planned over the next few weeks in the city of Pittsburgh, as well as Beaver and Greene counties. The Food Bank will announce the details of these distributions through the media, its website and social media channels once details are confirmed.

People who need food assistance are encouraged to contact their local food pantry. Individuals can find a food pantry in their neighborhood by going to pittsburghfoodbank.org and clicking on the “Get Help” button at the top of the home page.

About Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank

Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank is a nonprofit organization that distributes more than 35.5 million meals annually across 11 counties in southwestern Pennsylvania through a network of agencies, partners and programs. The Food Bank was founded in 1980 and is a member of Feeding America, the leading domestic hunger-relief charity in the U.S. For more information on hunger in our region or how to get involved, visit pittsburghfoodbank.org.

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