



BOROUGH OF STATE COLLEGE

243 South Allen Street, State College, PA 16801-4806

October 2, 2020

Dear Centre County COVID 19 Community Response,

The Borough of State College Department of Health and Food Safety has become aware of the Food Solidarity Meals that your organization have been conducting to serve the underprivileged and underserved in our Community. The Borough continues to have concern for and provide resources for the homeless and underserved in State College Borough through a variety of initiatives. The Borough applauds your efforts to assist our more vulnerable populations during the hardships that the National COVID 19 Pandemic has caused our residents.

During this time of increased health regulations in place to combat the spread of the COVID 19 virus, we want to ensure that your organization's food distribution efforts are conducted safely and in accordance with the Borough of State College, PA Department of Agriculture, and The Food and Drug Administration Laws guiding proper food preparation, cooking, holding, and serving. Mishandling and improper cooking of food products can lead to the growth of pathogens that once consumed could lead to a food borne illness outbreak.

We would like to set up a meeting with the members of your organization. This meeting is to help ensure that you are aware of and are following the best practices in safe food handling and production. This will help ensure that you are providing this much needed service to the members of our community and in accordance with rules and regulations that are in place.

Please contact our staff at healthdept@statecollegepa.us or (814) 234-7191 to set up a time to conduct an informational meeting with our department.

State College Department of Health and Food Safety