Good Afternoon All-

Mike from Riverbend Food Bank has asked me to communicate the following information regarding access to food in response to COVID-19.  Please communicate this out to those you serve as well as agencies whom you have close contact with.

People and advocates looking to access information about food pantries or get food should refrain from calling the food bank if they have internet access.

You can get information regarding where to get food at: [riverbendfoodbank.org](http://www.riverbendfoodbank.org/)  from then click “Need Food” a list of food pantries will be available there.

Please communicate to individuals looking for food that Riverbend Food Bank CAN NOT provide food to individuals or provide home delivery.

When an individual shows up at Riverbend Food Bank they are disappointed and frustrated when they are referred to a local pantry.  When the phone lines are tied up due to individuals seeking food pantry locations, pantries cannot communicate with River Bend to place and manage their orders.

Please spread the word to individuals to please visit [riverbendfoodbank.org](http://www.riverbendfoodbank.org/) to gain access to their local food pantry information and to contact the PANTRY DIRECTLY!

Over the next few days a member of The Hub staff will be contacting both Hub and SEAP agencies to gather information on your current agency capacity and process as well as ask if there if anything you would like us to share for you.

Thank you for all that you do!  Connected we can share information and resources to ensure that we a providing one shared voice.

Stay Well!

Cecelia

***Cecelia Bailey*
Director, QCON-Hub****cbailey@qcopennetwork.org** **309-736-6766**