

# NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS



COMMUNITY ACTION SOUTHDOLD TOWN, INC.

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## **CAST Continues to Serve Community Amid COVID-19 Challenges**

(March 16, 2020 – Greenport, N.Y.) -- In view of the evolving situation with COVID-19, Community Action Southhold Town, Inc. (CAST), a non-profit corporation helping our North Fork neighbors in need since 1965, wants to update the Southhold Town community on some temporary changes at CAST. We have customized our services and adjusted our hours and procedures to ensure the safety and well-being of our clients, volunteers and staff during this challenging time.

As of March 13<sup>th</sup>, CAST has instituted the following changes:

1. Our **Food Pantry** will remain open during regular pantry hours (**Monday 9am-12pm, Tuesday 3pm-6pm, and Friday 9am-12pm**). Distribution of pantry bags will be at the back door. We encourage clients to call ahead so a bag can be prepared with their name on it.
2. We have launched an **Emergency Feed-A-Kid program** while schools are closed. Families in need can get a Feed-A-Kid bag 1x/week during Food Pantry hours. To **sign-up**, call 631-477-1717 during Food Pantry hours or email [info@castsoutholdtown.org](mailto:info@castsoutholdtown.org)
3. We will continue with **Mobile Food Pantry deliveries** to those who are homebound or have transportation barriers. If you are a **senior or know of someone who is in need of food** and is unable to come to our Greenport location, we can schedule a home delivery. Call 631-477-1717 during Food Pantry hours or email [info@castsoutholdtown.org](mailto:info@castsoutholdtown.org)
4. We will assist clients with **urgent emergency assistance requests** during Food Pantry hours.
5. The **Sharing Room** is **closed** until further notice.
6. No Sharing Room donations will be accepted until further notice.
7. Donations of **food, diapers, and personal care** items will be accepted during Food Pantry hours. Please call ahead before delivering.

8. The **best way to help** during this challenging time is to make a **monetary donation** to enable us to purchase items that are most needed. You can donate online at [www.castsoutholdtown.org/donate](http://www.castsoutholdtown.org/donate) or mail a check to CAST at P.O. Box 159, Greenport, NY 11944.
9. If interested in volunteering, please email [info@castsoutholdtown.org](mailto:info@castsoutholdtown.org) and put "Volunteer" in the subject line.

We understand that these are challenging times for our community and CAST is here to help. We will provide updated information as needed. [www.castsoutholdtown.org/news](http://www.castsoutholdtown.org/news) Please do not hesitate to call the CAST office (631-477-1717) if you have any questions or if you are in need or someone you know is in need of assistance.