



## OFFICE OF THE COUNTY JUDGE

March 20, 2020

Trisha Cunningham  
President and CEO  
North Texas Food Bank  
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Plano Texas, 75075

Ms. Cunningham:

On March 16, 2020, I signed a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency for Collin County in order to take extraordinary measures to contain the pandemic caused by the novel coronavirus now designated as COVID-19.

As the head of the Collin County Office of Emergency Management, I request that the North Texas Food Bank and their Partner Agencies go above and beyond their regular scope of work to provide life-saving and life-sustaining commodities to residents of Collin County- and the surrounding regions- who are affected by the Center for Disease Control's recommendation to practice social distancing.

We understand that the people served by the North Texas Food Bank and their Partner Agency Network, almost by definition, do not have the ability or the means to have adequate food reserves. We request that increased distribution of nutritious foods and emergency services continue as necessary to meet the critical need for food due to the spread of COVID-19. This food distribution is especially necessary for our most vulnerable populations, including people who lack other access to food, people unable to leave their homes, people impacted by school closures, and people experiencing job loss and/or reduced hours at work.



## Collin County Judge Chris Hill

We understand that your organization is already working to meet the needs of the community on a daily basis, and this request will likely require adapting and expanding logistics and operations to help people in the safest and most effective ways possible.

With deep appreciation and thanks, I salute the North Texas Food Bank and its partner network for going above and beyond to meet the needs of our vulnerable populations who are depending on these distributions the most.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Hill", is written over a horizontal line.

Chris Hill