



## April 15, 2020

Mobile Food Pantry Event for Hospitality and Tourism Workers to be Held Tomorrow Morning

The Chamber, TLC, City of Savannah and others are partnering with America's Second Harvest for a mobile food pantry event tomorrow, April 16 from 9 a.m. until all food is distributed. The first-come, first-served event on River Street will benefit current and recently unemployed hospitality and tourism workers. The entry point will be at Bay and Warner Streets. Please have your trunk clear for food distribution. This will be a drive-through pantry distribution to maintain social distancing, and recipients are asked to remain in their vehicles while boxes of food are being loaded.

Date: Thursday, April 16

Time: 9 a.m. until all food is distributed

Location: Bay and Warner Streets in downtown Savannah

## HAPPENINGS

## Georgia Chamber to Host Virtual Conference with President & CEO of the Fed Bank in Atlanta and the Regional Administrator for SBA



This Thursday, April 16 at 3 p.m., the Georgia Chamber will host Raphael Bostic, president & CEO of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta and Ashley D. Bell, regional administrator for the SBA.

Moderated by the Georgia Chamber's president & CEO Chris Clark, this forum will highlight the programs and resources available to small and medium-sized businesses while providing key insight for working with local banks to access and leverage these funding sources.

Please remember that these calls and conferences are available to Savannah Chamber members because of the Savannah Chamber's membership in the Georgia Chamber. Access is a benefit of your membership and access information should not be shared with the general public as bandwidth is limited. The less widely-shared the access info is, the more members will be able to participate. Thank you for your cooperation.

Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device:

<https://zoom.us/j/94428713555>

Or join by phone:

Dial in (for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location):

US: +1 646 558 8656

or +1 312 626 6799

or +1 301 715 8592

or +1 346 248 7799

or +1 669 900 9128

or +1 253 215 8782

Webinar ID: 944 2871 3555

International numbers available:

<https://zoom.us/j/94428713555>

## Visit Savannah and Visit Tybee Continue to Connect with Audiences



Visit Savannah is keeping in touch with its leisure visitors by continuing to create it engaging online content, including a bank of [Savannah-inspired activities to keep kids entertained at home](#).

This week, Visit Savannah and Visit Tybee were recognized for an uplifting videos created to remind their audiences that the destinations are looking forward to the time when they can welcome guests again. [Click here to see the Visit Savannah video](#). A version of the video was also created for Visit Tybee; [click here to see the Visit Tybee video](#).

Keep an eye on [Visit Savannah](#) and [Visit Tybee's](#) Facebook pages to see how the communications team is keeping future visitors engaged.

## SBA Provides Insight on Assistance for Faith-Based Organizations



Faith is a pillar of hope, and for many Americans it has been a powerful reason for their continued success during these challenging times. The Administration, along with SBA Administrator Jovita Carranza and other SBA leaders, recognized the need to support faith-based organizations and have clarified their ability to participate in the Paycheck Protection and Economic Injury Disaster Loan Programs.

Faith-based organizations may apply regardless of their religious identity or activities, and will be considered to the extent they are eligible as outlined in the CARES Act as passed by Congress, signed into law by President Trump, and implemented by the Paycheck Protection Act Interim Final Rule.

[Click here for a downloadable FAQ sheet for faith-based organizations.](#)

## Good News



There's a lot going on in the world right now, but there are plenty of reasons to be positive about the future. Check out these good news stories:

- AT&T supports nurses and physicians with [three months of free mobile service](#) on FirstNet Network
- Auto [insurance companies offering relief on policies](#) during COVID-19 pandemic
- Salvation Army of Savannah [provides meals and books](#) to those in need
- The Coastal Empire [meets the Savannah Community Foundation's \\$25K](#) matching challenge
- Spartina 449 [donating 20% of your purchase to another local retailer of your choice](#) April 13-30

Do you have any positive local stories to share? Send them to [Info@SavannahChamber.com](mailto:Info@SavannahChamber.com) with the subject "Positive Stories" and we may choose yours to share with the community!

## Guidance and Resources



We will update and add to the links below as new guidance and resources become available. Click here to visit the Chamber's resource page.

- [Coronavirus Digital Toolkit](#)
- [Coronavirus Guidance for Employers](#)
- [Coronavirus Workplace Tips for Employees](#)
- [Coronavirus Resource Hub for Small Businesses](#)
- [Coronavirus Local/State Policy Tracker](#)
- [Coronavirus Workplace Flyer](#)
- Dial 311 for City of Savannah information
- Dial 211 for help from the United Way of the Coastal Empire
- Dial 1-800-Georgia (436-7442) for State of Georgia information

For more info, please visit the [CDC's Guidance for Businesses page](#).

The Savannah Area Chamber is working hard to provide timely access to business resource information during the COVID-19 pandemic. The

interpretation and recommendations of the information provided by the Chamber should not replace the consult of professional advisors familiar with your unique business situation. While it is believed that the content of external links is accurate and reliable, accuracy and completeness of information contained herein is not guaranteed. Users of this information accept all risks associated with the use of such information and agree that the Savannah Area Chamber has no liability to the user.



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