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Free Boxes of Food from Channel One Regional Food Bank and the USDA Coming to the Faribault County Fairgrounds

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On Saturday, March 20th, Channel One Regional Food Bank will be bringing boxes of free food to the Faribault County Fairgrounds in Blue Earth, Minnesota for a “Truck to Trunk” event. These “Farmers to Families” food boxes will be available to anyone in need and are provided by Channel One and the United States Department of Agriculture to address the increased rate of food insecurity due to the pandemic.

The food boxes contain milk, cheese and yogurt; cooked, refrigerated meat; and fresh fruit and vegetables. Participants in this event do not even have to get out of their cars for access to the healthy food options. Volunteers will take boxes of food directly from the Channel One truck and place it in the trunk or back seat of participants’ vehicles.

“We know that many in Faribault County are lacking access to nutritious food right now. For this ‘Truck to Trunk’ event, we will be bringing food for double the amount of families that we typically serve. The free boxes of food will be available for everyone to have access to the fresh and wholesome food they need,” stated Jennifer Belisle, Programs and Agency Services Director at Channel One.

Channel One is hosting the “Truck to Trunk” event in place of its mobile pantries held in Brice Lynn and Winnebago on the 3rd Saturday of each month. No registration or information is required to participate— all are welcome to attend!

Anyone interested in volunteering at the event, or who would like more information about food access in Faribault County, are encouraged to contact Channel One’s Agency Services Coordinator, Joellen, at 507-424-1713 or joellenbarak@channel-one.org

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Channel One Regional Food Bank, a member of Feeding America, strengthens food access and builds healthy communities. Channel One operates food programs to serve local and area needs such as: a food bank, food shelf, mobile pantry, childhood hunger program, and Nutrition Assistance Program for Seniors (NAPS). Channel One Regional Food Bank mobilizes organizations, volunteers, and donors to serve the network of more than 200 nonprofit food shelves and meal programs that provide food for children, adults, and families in need. Channel One serves 14 counties across southeastern Minnesota and western Wisconsin. For more information, call 507.287.2350 or visit helpingfeedpeople.org.