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Another Free Drive-Thru Food Pantry Open to All Local Seniors

BATON ROUGE, Louisiana (05/22/2020) – The East Baton Rouge Council on Aging (EBRCOA) is elated to announce another Drive-Thru Lotus Food Pantry on Thursday, May 28th from 11am to 2pm at The Louisiana Leadership Institute located at 5763 Hooper Road. The drive thru food pantry is open to all senior residents in East Baton Rouge Parish, while supplies last.

Seniors should drive up to The Louisiana Leadership Institute, pop their trunk and an EBRCOA staff member will place their groceries, lunch and supplies into their vehicle. The EBRCOA will distribute bags of groceries, gallons of milk donated by Borden's Dairy, fresh fruit and vegetables, face masks, hand sanitizer, and toilet paper, while supplies last. This event was made possible due to the following sponsors: Borden's Dairy, The Louisiana Leadership Institute, Get Serious Louisiana, CareSouth, State Senators Cleo Fields and Regina Barrow, and the City of Baker Police Chief Carl Dunn.

The EBRCOA Lotus Food Pantry is a senior-focused free food pantry designed to combat senior hunger in East Baton Rouge Parish. The pantry service is made possible through a partnership with the Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank, the USDA and the Louisiana Department of Agriculture.

“The success of previous food distribution events proves just how great the need is for the elderly. We are hosting the various events across the parish to meet this astronomical demand and serve seniors in every corner of this parish,” said Tasha Clark-Amar, Chief Executive Officer of EBRCOA.

The East Baton Rouge Council on Aging is dedicated to ensuring the safety of all seniors across the parish during this pandemic. We strongly advise everyone to continue to pay close attention to the advisories and warnings being given by national and local governmental officials. Additionally, continue to follow the proper procedures of masking up, sanitizing and disinfecting shared surfaces, social distancing as well as continuing to wash your hands frequently.

For more information, call the Council on Aging at (225) 923-8000.

The East Baton Rouge Council on Aging (EBRCOA) is a non-profit organization serving the senior population of East Baton Rouge Parish. Annually, our agency delivers 1,105,820 meals through our “Meals on Wheels” Program and our senior centers and meal sites.

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Since 1973, the East Baton Rouge Council on Aging (EBRCOA), a 501c3 nonprofit supported by philanthropic donations and public funds (federal, state, and local), has served the seniors of East Baton Rouge Parish through a spectrum of nutritional and social services such as the nationally recognized Meals on Wheels program and over a dozen community senior centers throughout the Parish. EBRCOA is charged with discovering and meeting the growing needs of this ever-increasing population. Central to EBRCOA's mission – Supporting Independence and Serving Seniors – is providing high-quality services to seniors, the maintenance of their personal independence, and the enhancement of their storied lives while being good fiduciary stewards of public funds and trust.

More information about EBRCOA and its services can be found online at www.ebrcoa.org.