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AGING & DISABLIITY RESOURCE CENTER (ADRC) OF LA CROSSE COUNTY CONTINUES TO SERVE COMMUNITY DESPITE SEVERAL CHANGES IN RESPONSE TO CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

Date: April 29, 2020

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The ADRC of La Crosse County has made several changes in response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) however, <u>we continue to serve older adults and people with disabilities, as well as</u> <u>the families, friends and caregivers who work with and care for them</u>. Changes include:

- While our lobby is closed for the time being, ADRC staff continue to be available by phone Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. Staff are ready to assist with information, assistance and counseling related to long-term care and other programs and services.
- Transportation services are available but limited to essential rides only (to/from medical appointments and food/grocery store). No co-pays will be charged until further notice.
- La Crosse County Senior Nutrition Program congregate meal sites are closed but home delivered meals are available Monday through Friday to individuals 60 years of age or older experiencing food insecurity. Additionally, beginning May 4, 2020, the ADRC of La Crosse County will offer weekly "grab and go" frozen meals from designated locations throughout La Crosse County. ADRC staff will also be onsite to assist with any questions/needs.
- All ADRC-affiliated programs/events have been canceled or postponed. Please call 608-785-5700, email adrc@lacrossecounty.org and/or regularly check the ADRC website (www.lacrossecounty.org/adrc) for updates and virtual options/programming.

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AGING & DISABLIITY RESOURCE CENTER (ADRC) OF LA CROSSE COUNTY PILOTS NEW SERVICE TO DELIVER FOOD AND ADDITIONAL RESOURCES TO RURAL AREAS OF LA CROSSE COUNTY

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Starting Monday, the ADRC of La Crosse County will pilot a weekly "grab and go" from designated locations (see schedule below) throughout La Crosse County to provide frozen meals to seniors 60 years of age or older. Individuals may reserve any desired number of frozen meals to then prepare/consume throughout the week. Reservations are required and voluntary contributions are requested (\$4/meal) however no one is ever denied because of the inability to donate. All donations are kept confidential. Additionally, ADRC staff will be available to assist with information, assistance and counseling related to long-term care and other programs and services for older adults and adults with disabilities. Information/assistance is always free of charge. To learn more, determine eligibility or reserve meal(s), call the ADRC at 608-785-5700.

Mondays:

- 1. 11:30 am-1:00 pm at the John Bossard Memorial Library, Bangor (1720 Henry Johns Blvd)
- 2. 1:30 pm-3:00 pm at the Hazel Brown Leicht Memorial Library, West Salem (201 Neshonoc Rd)

Tuesdays:

- 1. 11:30 am-1:00 pm at the Greenfield Town Hall, La Crosse (N1800 Town Hall Rd)
- 2. 1:30 pm-3:00 pm at Southern Bluffs Elementary School, La Crosse (4010 Sunnyside Dr)

Wednesdays:

- 1. 11:30 am-1:00 pm at Mindoro Lutheran Church, Mindoro (W3879 Cty Rd DE)
- 2. 1:30 pm-3:00 pm at Drugan's Castle Mound, Holmen (W7665 Sylvester Rd)

Thursdays:

- 1. 11:30 am-1:00 pm at the Campbell Town Hall, La Crosse (2219 Bainbridge St)
- 2. 1:30 pm-3:00 pm at the Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge La Crosse District Visitor Center, Brice Prairie/Onalaska (N5727 County Rd Z)

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The La Crosse County Senior Nutrition Program is available to seniors 60 years of age or older and their spouses, regardless of age. Its purpose is to reduce hunger and food insecurity and promote socialization, health and well-being among older adults. Funding for this program is provided by Title III of the Older Amercians Act, State and County funds, private contributions and participant donations.