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Lehigh County Emergency Management Assures There Is No Food Shortage in Lehigh County

Residents are asked to refrain from bulk buying in order to maintain consistent supply and demand throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

Lehigh County, PA- As of March 17th, 2020, Lehigh County Office of Emergency Management met with local grocery store retailers and supply chain managers on the status of food distribution in Lehigh County. After consultation with these providers, Lehigh County Office of Emergency Management would like to ensure there is enough food and supplies as Lehigh County works through the COVID-19 pandemic.

Therefore, Lehigh County Office of Emergency Management would like to urge residents to refrain from bulk buying large quantities. This is to allow retailers to maintain a steady supply of goods.

The Office of Emergency Management requests the following to the public:

- Be respectful of quantities purchased at grocery stores and other markets. Shelves will consistently be stocked as supplies continue to be shipped in, however, bulk buying will delay this process.
- Please respect store policies and purchase limitations when it comes to in-demand products.
- Please respect store employees and management as they are working tirelessly to keep supplies in stock and available for consumers.
- Be mindful of other shoppers, especially those who are elderly or with physical disabilities. Remember, we are working together as one community to ensure everyone has adequate supplies.

As the COVID-19 virus is closely monitored, be rest assured a proactive stance is being taken in keeping shelves stocked. This, however, starts with cooperation from our residents and consumers. Lehigh County Office of Emergency Management is working diligently with our partners to ensure the safety and health of the community.

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