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In response to COVID-19 and the financial impacts it is having on our community, the Brunswick Family Assistance Board of Directors voted to increase the amount of financial assistance impacted households can receive. Households who have lost employment or had a significant reduction in hours due to COVID-19 can now get monthly financial assistance with rent and/or utility payments. These payments are made directly to service providers on behalf of eligible clients. Eligible households must be living at or below 130% of the federal poverty level and provide income and expense information as well as verification of employment impacts.

This program is unique to households that have had employment/income impacts due to COVID-19 and is different from our normal services. Typical client assistance for those who are living within the poverty guidelines but have not had financial impacts from COVID-19 will continue to operate within BFA’s regular guidelines. All eligible clients are still able to access the food pantry up to twice per month.

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