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Town of Vernon and ShopRite of Tri-City Plaza Partner to Provide Area Residents with Access to Essential Grocery Supplies

Touchless Drive-Thru Service Begins Tuesday, May 19, 2020 at Rockville High School

Vernon, CT – The Town of Vernon and the new Vernon ShopRite of Tri-City Plaza, owned and operated by Waverly Markets, have announced a partnership to provide access to purchase essential groceries amid the COVID-19 pandemic. Beginning Tuesday, May 19, 2020 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, and continuing every Tuesday and Thursday thereafter, area residents will have the option to purchase pre-packaged essential grocery supplies via a touchless drive-thru service at Rockville High School, located at 70 Loveland Hill Road.

“The Town has heard from its residents and we have experienced for ourselves the difficulty in obtaining essential supplies due to shortages in our shopping markets” said Mayor Daniel A. Champagne. “This public-private partnership provides a safe and convenient choice for residents to obtain basic provisions for their homes and assists Vernon in its economic recovery efforts”.

“It is our duty as civic leaders to care for our residents and create sustainable solutions that benefit the whole community” said Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator. “Providing residents with access to purchase essential supplies is part of the Town’s comprehensive COVID-19 pandemic response and recovery strategy.”

“We want to make sure our valued customers have access to the essential items they need,” said Jordan Coe, President and Owner of Vernon ShopRite of Tri-City Plaza. “ShopRite and the Cohen Family are pleased to partner with the Town of Vernon to offer three options of ready-made ‘COVID-19 Care Packages’”.

- **Option A – Grocery Bag for \$20:** Contents may vary, but will include fruit, cereal, juice, 5 lb. bag of rice, pasta, sauce, canned vegetable, and a loaf of bread.
- **Option B – Grocery Bag for \$20:** Contents may vary, but will include canned soup, potato or tortilla chips, fruit, pudding cake, 6 pack muffins, and a gallon of water.
- **Household Essentials Bag for \$25:** Contents may vary, but will include paper towels, toilet paper, personal care wipes, and a germicidal cleaner.

Area residents may purchase any combination of these grocery bag options. **Grocery and food items are subject to change weekly, based on supplier availability and input from the public. Grocery bag purchases must be made in advance of pick-up by calling ShopRite directly at (860) 454-2264 anytime between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm daily.** For more information or questions about COVID-19 Care Packages, email jcoe@waverlymarkets.com.

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