PUBLIC NOTICE EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER PROGRAM (EFSP)

UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY HAS BEEN AWARDED FEDERAL FUNDS MADE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (DHS)/FEDERAL EMERGENY MANAGEMENT UNDER THE EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER NATIONAL BOARD PROGRAM.

Union County has been chosen to receive \$209,706 for Phase 37 and \$298,980 for Phase CARES to supplement emergency food and shelter programs in the county.

The selection was made by a National Board that is chaired by the U. S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency and consists of representatives from American Red Cross; Catholic Charities, USA; National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA; The Jewish Federations of North America, The Salvation Army; and, United Way Worldwide. The Local Board was charged to distribute funds appropriated by Congress to help expand the capacity of food and shelter programs in high-need areas around the country.

A Local Board made up of representatives of the above-named organizations and members of the community will determine how funds are to be distributed among the emergency food and shelter programs run by Union County local service organizations. The Local Board is responsible for recommending these agencies to receive these funds and any additional funds available under this phase(s) of the program.

Under the terms of the grant from the National Board, local agencies chosen to receive funds must: 1) be private voluntary non-profits or units of government, 2) be eligible to receive Federal funds, 3) have an accounting system, 4) practice nondiscrimination, 5) have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and/or shelter programs, and 6) if they are a private voluntary organization, have a voluntary board. Qualifying agencies are urged to apply.

Public or private voluntary agencies interested in applying for Emergency Food and Shelter Program funds must contact Denise LaSpata via email Denise.laspata@uwguc.org for an application. The deadline for applications to be received is **May 26, 2020 by 5pm.**