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Neighbor,

I highly suspect that you are finding yourself a bit overwhelmed with the reality of what it is like to live in a state of emergency. It may even be possible that you are raising concerns about your own future. If could benefit from a food pantry, please reach out for help. For us all, this is a new norm, which we all hope is temporary.

Are you aware that the majority of individual or families who come our way because they are experiencing emergencies? There are very few of those we serve who come every month for food. They come when they are experiencing a crisis.

Certainly, those who ask our help with evictions, utility disconnections or an inability to pay for medicine have experienced a dramatic loss of income. This can come about due to illness, death of a family member, divorce, accidents, victimization by crime, or an unexpected family expense. The list is endless.

We normally do send through the mail appeals for funds during our annual fall fund-raiser. However, these are not normal times. The majority who seek MUM's help are the working poor who have jobs that do not pay them during unscheduled time off. They are the substitute teachers, Uber drivers, waiters and waitresses. They will not qualify for unemployment benefits. They look to MUM for help.

Now we look to you for help. If you could contribute at this time, your gift what you give will undoubtedly be put to good use by those who need is most dire. Feel free to give online at our website, mumhelp.org. Or send a donation by using the enclosed envelope.

Your consideration is so appreciated,

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