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The old saying, “When life gives you lemons, make lemonade,” describes what is happening at Redford Brightmoor Initiative (RBI) during the Covid-19 pandemic.

To you, our supporters, we want to assure you that we are actively moving forward in several ways despite the obstacles.

- **Brightmoor Free Store:** We are continuing to fill urgent needs by distributing non-perishable food, personal care items (toilet paper, soap, tissue, and more!), and baby-related needs (diapers, formula, etc.) every Saturday from 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. These goods are distributed curbside by staff and volunteers for the safety of all. We are serving approximately 50 families each week!



- **Redford food pantry:** Food4U is still operating on a monthly basis. We distribute non-perishable food items and toiletries to nearly 90 households every

month.



- **Community garden:** We are starting a new program in our Brightmoor community garden this summer, inviting neighbors to adopt 4' x 12' plots in our garden to grow their own produce. We will have a master gardener working with us every weekend, growing produce for us to distribute at the Free Store on Saturdays and also helping our neighbors with their own gardens.



Without your ongoing support, we could not continue with these programs. Many of you have “stepped up to the plate” to help us carry on in this difficult time. As you know, we rely on your in-kind donations of food and essential supplies and your financial contributions to provide a helping hand for our Brightmoor and Redford friends. We are so grateful and appreciative of your help!




We are looking forward to the day when we can reopen our Free Stores and resume our extensive programming and community meal. Until then, we will continue to provide the items and support that the community needs most at this time.

Be well and thank you!




Hilary Kristal (Director) & the RBI Family

Mission Statement: Redford Brightmoor Initiative builds community and supports youth and adults to prepare for meaningful employment and service.

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Volunteers Wanted

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Service Locations

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Redford Campus

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