The health and well-being of our customers, volunteers and staff are top priorities for us here at South Side Roots. Due to the most recent coronavirus (COVID-19) updates, we are exploring new ways in connecting food to you, our customers and neighbors, during this public health threat that will allow us to step up at a time when the community is in need. In the interest of taking care of each other, we want to share with you the steps that we are taking to keep our community safe and healthy:

- On March 15, 2020, the Ohio Department of Health issued an order to close all Ohio restaurant dining rooms, but food may still be sold or distributed by carry-out. In light of this, South Side Roots will be switching our cafe model to pre-packaged boxes while this rule is in effect. **We will hand out pre-packaged, carry-out meals by the Reeb Avenue Center’s gymnasium from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Monday through Friday. Community Dinner will also be served as grab-and-go on Tuesday evenings from 5 p.m.-7 p.m.** In the interest of keeping human contact to an absolute minimum, what the CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) calls “social distancing,” we believe that this is the safest course of action to take moving forward, especially during these challenging times.

- If you or your family are in need of food for your home or other groceries, the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry at St. Lads (across the street from Reeb Avenue Center) is open on the 3rd, 4th, 5th Wednesday of each month from 1:00 - 3:30 p.m. and every Friday of the month from 1:00 - 3:30 p.m. To schedule an appointment, just dial 2-1-1.

Follow us on Facebook and check our website for more updates in the coming weeks, and please feel free to reach out to us with any questions or concerns you have! We are happy to help! We so appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we all look out for one another during this public health threat and as this situation continues to unfold. Thank you, and be safe.