Board of Elections Board Meeting Scheduled for August 11

The Anson County Board of Elections will hold the regular monthly board meeting on Tuesday, August 11 at 5 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Board of Elections Office, located at 402 Morven Road in Wadesboro. To appear on a meeting agenda you must provide notice in writing by 5 p.m. on

the Thursday before the next meeting. During all board meetings, those in attendance are asked to refrain from comments

and questions to the board unless they are called upon by the board. At the end of each meeting the board will open the floor for comments and questions. For more information call 704-994-3223.

Upcoming Dates

August Tentative Virtual Election Conference (NC State Board of Elections)

August 11 Regular Board of Elections meeting, 5 p.m.

September 4 Absentee Voting begins for November Election

September 7 Labor Day holiday, office closed

September 8 Regular Board of Elections meeting, 5 p.m.

September 19 Start publishing election notice

September 24 Logic and accuracy testing for November Election, 11 a.m. **September 30** Mock Election with State Board of Elections

State Announces Delivery of Personal Protection Equipment for Agricultural Workers

Supplies to Protect Health and Safety of Farmers and Agriculture Worker The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS) is taking further action to prevent and respond to COVID-19 outbreaks among the

State Partnership Delivering 900,000 Masks and Infection Control

agricultural workforce, delivering critical personal protection equipment for use by agricultural workers across the state. "Agriculture is vital to our economy and food supply and it is critical that we protect

farmworkers and their families from this virus," said Governor Cooper. Farmworkers are deemed an essential workforce and it is imperative that people who

cultivate and harvest North Carolina's wide variety of crops are protected. To support prevention efforts that are proven to help reduce the spread of COVID-19, NCDHHS is implementing its plan this week to deliver over 900,000 masks and other infection control supplies to North Carolina Cooperative Extension county centers across the state for distribution to farms and agricultural operations. In addition to masks, the deliveries included hand sanitizer and cloth face coverings for workers to take home. Thirty-one counties have been selected to receive the first delivery, including:

Alamance, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Bladen, Columbus, Cumberland, Duplin, Durham, Edgecombe, Forsyth, Franklin, Granville, Greene, Guilford, Harnett, Henderson, Johnston, Lee, Lenoir, Lincoln, Martin, Mecklenburg, Nash, Pender, Pitt, Robeson, Sampson, Wake, Wayne, Wilson.

"Many of our farmworkers live in group housing, putting them at higher risk of exposure to COVID-19. Providing masks is one way we are helping to protect workers," said NCDHHS Secretary Mandy Cohen.

NCDHHS is partnering with N.C. Cooperative Extension, the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (NCDA&CS), the N.C. Department of Labor (NCDOL) and the N.C. Agromedicine Institute to expedite a delivery plan and raise awareness about this resource among the farming community.

"Some of these supplies have been difficult for farmers to source as demand has exceeded supply. I am grateful that farmworkers and farmers have been prioritized for these much-needed materials," said Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler. "The health of our farmers and farmworkers is very important because we all rely on them every day."

This initiative builds on earlier measures North Carolina has taken with state and local partners to protect the agricultural workforce. Previous and ongoing actions include: • Released the Interim Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Guidance for Migrant Farmworkers, their Employers, and Housing Providers.

• Providing targeted funding to farmworker health programs to purchase protective equipment and infection control supplies and support additional staff needed to support COVID-19 response efforts.

 Providing virtual trainings and webinars for farmworker health programs and other health agencies regarding COVID-19 prevention and outbreak response.

 Providing virtual webinars for farmers to prepare and respond to COVID-19 outbreaks Developed a toolkit of COVID-19 educational materials targeting farmworkers and other essential workers.

 Migrant outbreak response team supporting collaboration between health departments, federally qualified health centers and farmworker health programs to respond to outbreaks and provide patient support and health care. • Launched an internet connectivity project to support internet access at migrant

housing to facilitate access to health information, screenings and virtual medical visits. NCDOL issued "Farmworkers and the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Temporary Worker COVID-19 Guidance". NCDOL also implemented procedures to approve temporary, emergency isolation and quarantine housing for migrant-farmworkers

 NCDA&CS released "The Necessity of PPE for Agricultural Operations" and "Notice of Temporary Agricultural Worker Bulk Purchase Authorization for groceries for farms

 NC State Extension launched a COVID-19 Resources and Information website, including educational materials for farmers and farmworkers, to support N.C. agribusi-

A list of congregate living settings with outbreaks is available on the NCDHHS website, covid19.ncdhhs.gov/dashboard/outbreaks-and-clusters.

Severe Weather Safety in Mobile Homes or RVs If a severe weather event is expected in your area, and you live in a mobile home

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Church News

ONGOING Prayer Walk for Revival & Awaken**ing**, 8am every Saturday at Anson County Courthouse by United Hearts Fire. Praying for county, state & nation

Virtual Services At Church of Jesus Christ

of Latter-Day Saints. Sundays 11-11:30am with Zoom: www.zoom.com or use Zoom app, click 'join a meeting" and enter Meeting ID: 385 789 5966 Password: 699988. Or join via Zoom audio: 646-876-9923, same Meeting ID & Password. Questions & info 704-690-7577

Events

Free Groceries For families in need

Mobile Food Pantry at Wingate Baptist Church, located at 109 E Elm St in Wingate. Register 8-10am. Call for details 704-694-2445

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MedAssist in collaboration with Atrium Health, 9am-2pm at First Baptist Church, 309 Lee Ave in Wadesboro. Over-themedications.

Must be 18 or older, no ID required. Drive-thru pick up. Please pre-order bit.ly/OTCAnson. MedAssist info

Emergency Food Pantry will distribute

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chicken leg quarters and cartons of eggs Burnsville Recreation & Learning Center, 3pm until items are gone. Located at 13349 Hwy 742 North in Burnsville, across from Fire Department. Info call 704-826-

8182 or visit www.burnsvillelc.org **AUGUST 11**

Monthly Meeting

Of Board of Elections, 5pm. To appear on agenda provide notice in writing by 5pm on Thursday prior to meeting. Location: 402 Morven Road in Wadesboro. Info 704-AUGUST 29

Community Outreach

Free household items & paper products by Lamb of God Church, 10am at 118 West

Wade St in Wadesboro. 1st come, 1st served. Info 843-623-3777

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Food Commodities Food Distributed Free every Wednesday at 9am & 2nd Saturday of each month at 9am at Burnsville Recreation & Learning Ctr, Hwy 742N across from Burnsville Fire Dept. Info 704-826-8182

Food Pantry

Free food every Wed, 9-11am at Burnsville Recreation & Learning Ctr. 704-826-8182

Free Food Distributed by Anson Crisis Ministries Every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday, 8am-1pm. It is located at 117 North

Rutherford Street in uptown Wadesboro. Telephone is 704-694-2445

VA Offers Same-Day Care for Mental Health The US Department of Veterans Affairs announced that all of its more than 1,000

medical facilities across the country now offer same-day services for urgent primary and mental healthcare needs. Same-day services may include a face-to-face visit with a clinician; advice provided during a call with a nurse; a telehealth or video care visit; an appointment made with a specialist; or a prescription filled the same day, depending upon what best meets the needs of the Veteran. For more info visit www.blogs.va.gov/VAntage/44400.



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