

Suspension of Congregate Meal Services

The Illinois Department on Aging (IDoA) issued an announcement requiring all senior congregate nutritional sites operated under the AAA suspend all gathering activities **immediately**. Therefore, all senior congregate nutritional sites operated by Illinois Valley Economic Development Corporation (IVEDC) will suspend congregate services effective today, March 11, 2020. However, in an effort to ensure seniors who are clients of the IVEDC congregate sites operated at the Carlinville Senior Citizens Center, Silver Strands Senior Center in Palmyra, South Macoupin Senior Center in Benld, Jerseyville Senior Center and the Greene County Senior Center in Carrollton receive a prepared meal, starting tomorrow, those seniors who have pre-order a congregate meal on the previous day may pick-up their meal on location at the congregate site. Additionally, this required closure of the congregate meal program will not impact the home delivered meal services operated by IVEDC.

Please note, IVEDC will make every attempt to contact by phone all regular congregate clients on a daily basis during the work week to ensure they have an opportunity to pre-order a prepared meal for the upcoming day. However, in the event you have not heard from an Agency employee, please phone the senior center to order a meal for pick-up. The phone number for each IVEDC senior center is as follows:

- Carlinville Senior Citizens Center – (217) 854-3622
- Silver Strands Senior Center in Palmyra – (217) 436-2497
- South Macoupin Senior Center in Benld – (217) 839-4431 ext. 250
- Jerseyville Senior Center – (618) 498-3483
- Greene County Senior Center – (217) 942-6414

We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause you, but due to potential health risks this is a required action by IDoA.