GROCERY SHOPPING during the COVID-19 pandemic

The City of Monterey and Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce consulted local grocery stores to find out how they are adapting services to help reduce the risk of contracting the coronavirus for seniors and others who may be more vulnerable, and get a pulse for their supply. Here's what we found out:

Has your store set up exclusive shopping hours for local residents most vulnerable to the virus (such as senior citizens and people with existing health issues)?

ANDRONICO’S, Pacific Grove: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:00 AM to 9:00 AM
COSTCO, Sand City: Still deciding the best way to provide this service.
LUCKY, Pacific Grove: Still deciding the best way to provide this service.
SAFETY, Del Rey Oaks: Tuesdays and Thursdays from store opening to 9:00 AM
SAVEMART, Monterey: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00 to 9:00 AM
TARGET, Sand City: Wednesdays from 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM
TRADER JOE’S, Monterey/PD: Not instituting unique hours at this time.
WHOLE FOODS, Monterey: Daily from 8:00 to 9:00 AM for residents 60 years of age and over. Checking ID’s at the doors.

All stores are asking customers to respect the hours and reserve this shopping time for those most at risk in our communities.

Other Monterey grocery stores regular hours:

Bi-Rite: Closed during shelter in place
Compagno’s: 9:00 AM-4:00 PM daily
Daney’s: 9:00 AM-6:00 PM daily
Peninsula Produce: 8:00 AM-6:00 PM daily
Troia’s: 8:00 AM-12:00 PM, closed Sunday
Valnizza’s: 7:00 AM-8:00 PM daily

What is the status of the supply chain of normal daily food items and goods?

"Our distribution centers are working at full capacity and we are filling up the shelves as soon as we receive the goods, which is 24 hours per day." COSTCO

"We’re refilling high-demand products as quickly as we can through our robust and sophisticated supply chain. We ask customers to respect quantity limits of select, high-demand items to help ensure more of our neighbors can find the products they need." SAFEWAY

"While currently our demand is lower than usual, we are about a week behind on delivery volumes but anticipate catching up soon." TRADER JOE’S in PG