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Rochester Police Department Animal Control to assist in pet food delivery

April 3, 2020 – Rochester, Minnesota – “What about the pets?” For those who are home-bound and at-risk during the pandemic, this is another question many may be asking. The Rochester Police Department [Animal Control](#) and [Rochester Pet & Country Store](#) are offering a solution: home delivery.

“Many people in Rochester don’t just have to worry about food and necessities for themselves – they have their pets to care for as well,” said Rochester Police Sergeant Chad Blanchette, Supervisor of Animal Control.

Beginning today, April 3, 2020, members of Rochester Animal Control will assist with pet food delivery on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday afternoons between 2 and 4 p.m.

“We are happy to be able to partner with Rochester Pet & Country Store to provide this service to our residents. At a time when we are all looking for additional ways to help, this makes sense for the Animal Control Unit,” said Sgt. Blanchette.

“These efforts serve to let our community know we are here to help, and encourage us as we realize, with hope, that this service exemplifies our core values of Integrity, Service, Compassion, Respect, and Innovation,” said Police Chief Jim Franklin.

Residents can call Rochester Pet & Country Store at 507-285-5547 to place their orders.

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EMERGENCY DECLARATIONS

**Stay at Home
Executive Order 20-20**
Effective March 27 – April 10

**City of Rochester
Declaration of Local Emergency**
Issued March 17, 2020

**Olmsted County
Public Health Emergency**
Issued March 17, 2020

**Minnesota Peacetime State of
Emergency EM-3453**
Issued March 13, 2020

**National Emergency
Concerning Novel Coronavirus
Disease (COVID-19) Outbreak**
Issued March 13, 2020

LOCAL ACTIVATIONS

**City of Rochester
Emergency Operations Plan**

Joint Information Center (JIC)

**City of Rochester Emergency
Operations Center (EOC)**

EOC STRATEGY

Ensure Community Lifelines

EOC OBJECTIVES

Continuity of Operations
Timely Community and
Teammate Communication
Economic Stability
Community Stability
Healthcare System Support

*Lifelines enable the continuous
operation of critical government
and business functions and are
essential to human health and
safety or economic security.*

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