MEMORANDUM

TO:          District Superintendents
              Public Information Officers

FROM:        Ronald F. Jones
              Director, Office of Health and Nutrition

DATE:        March 27, 2020

RE:          COVID-19: Statewide Volunteers Needed for School Meal Preparation and Distribution

The United Way of South Carolina and the South Carolina Department of Education are working together to identify potential volunteers to help school food authorities prepare and distribute meals to children across the state.

If you are over the age of 21, would like to volunteer in a school district, and have NOT experienced any symptoms of illness in the past 14 days, please follow the step by step instructions below to register.

1. Go to www.VolunteerSC.org, scroll down, and click view details under the ongoing need entitled "Statewide - School Meal Preparation and Distribution."

2. Scroll down again and click the blue "Respond" tab in the bottom right corner.

3. Potential volunteers will then need to provide information to create an account if you are not already registered. The system will ask for basic contact information, counties you are willing to volunteer in, and if you have experienced any symptoms of illness in the past 14 days. After entering the required information, please make sure that you complete the registration process by clicking the blue "Submit Need Response" tab in the bottom left of the page. Please note: It is crucial that you provide accurate information during the registration process.

4. After registering, a confirmation email will be sent and if needed, a representative will contact you in the near future regarding scheduling.

If you have any questions, please email Ben Sease at bsease@ed.sc.gov or call 803-667-7065.