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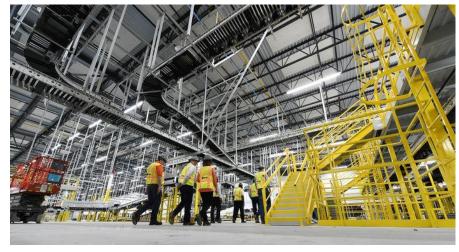
APRIL 20-24,

Amazon Continues Hiring Process

Amazon's Bessemer Fulfillment Center is looking to hire more workers to ease the stress of product demand during the coronavirus pandemic. Last month, Amazon announced that it would be adding 100,000 jobs to keep up with the vast amounts of orders they receive every day. "We are seeing a significant increase in demand, which means our labor needs are unprecedented for this time of year. As the COVID-19 pandemic continues, Amazon and our network of partners are helping communities around the world in a way that very few can—delivering critical supplies directly to the doorsteps of people who need them. Getting a priority item to your doorstep is vital as communities practice social-distancing, particularly for the elderly and others with underlying health issues," said Dave Clark, Senior Vice President of Worldwide Operations. The 100,000 full and part-time positions are within fulfillment centers and the delivery network across the country. Employees can earn up to \$15 or more an hour, with an additional \$2 an hour through the end of April. No resume or previous work experience is required! To receive text message alerts about Amazon job openings, text BHMNOW to 77088. For more information about applying, benefits, jobs available, etc., please visit www.amazon.com/jobsnow.











MEDICAL SERVICE

Medical West 995 9th Avenue SW Bessemer, AL 35022 PH: 205-481-7000 F: 205-481-7595 medicalwesthospital.org



Medical West revised their Visitor Guidelines, restricting all visitor access indefinitely. For those inquiring about donating masks to Medical West, they are accepting masks made with new, clean fabric (please follow the pattern listed on www.bhamfacemasks.com). Masks may be dropped off at the Main Hospital in Bessemer or the Freestanding Emergency Department in Hoover. Donated masks will be distributed to non-COVID patients only; the filter is not required!

Medical West Health Centers and Clinics will remain open for business, with several options available to address healthcare needs. Physicians are available for appointments via telemedicine (a phone call) for established patients who need to talk to the doctor; in-office appointments are available as well. Continuing through the month of April, Medical Center Pharmacy would like to offer mail order service at no charge to anyone who may need it.

For the most up-to-date information on COVID-19, text INFOJEFFCO to 888777! (For more information on Medical West's revised visitor guidelines, donating masks, hospital entrances, etc., please contact Medical West via the contact information listed above).





NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

Bessemer Farmers Market 3780 Lee Roy Lane Bessemer, AL 35022 PH: 205-426-2700; 205-739-1683

www.bessemerfarmersmarket.com

Bessemer Farmers Market

In 2020, the Bessemer Farmers Market is moving to the Bessemer Recreation Center located at 100 14th Street South, Hwy 150, Bessemer, in the back near the concession stand! Due to the pandemic of COVID-19, they will **not** be operating a market at UAB Medical West at this time. Also, there are some changes coming to the way they operate, with the safety of their vendors and visitors in mind.

Their vendors are all local and all products are grown or produced in the State of Alabama, meaning it has not taken much time to make it from farm to market. And fresh food means that it tastes better and is better for you!

The following is a list of vendors that have agreed to be at the market this year. The Bessemer Farmers Market thinks the diversity of vendors and products will make this year's market the best in their short history. More vendors may be added at each market.

Sowing Seeds - Greens, Tomatoes, Okra and Other Vegetables, Bedding Plants

Eleanor Wells – Eggs and Vegetables

Southwest Birmingham Community Farm - Greens, Onions, Okra, Rutabagas, Peas, Green Beans, and etc.

Longbrook Jardin - Produce and Plants

Carter Homestead - Produce and Plants

Debbie and Donald Smith - Local Honey

Campfire - Nonprofit

Emily's Heirloom Poundcakes

Carol Cockrell - Hand Sewn Masks and other Items

The Bessemer Farmers Market updates this list each week with the expected products and produce. For more information, please visit their website listed in the contact information above.



MASK FABRIC/SEWING MATERIAL

United Textiles 1917 2nd Avenue North Bessemer, AL 35020 PH: 205-428-6208

F: 205-428-8592

https://www.unitedtextileshome.com/

https://www.facebook.com/unitedtextileshome/



United Textiles, one of the leading fabric/rug companies in Alabama, has an array of cotton prints on hand for those interested in creating homemade masks! To date, more than 2,000 masks have been donated using fabric and materials from United Textiles! Prints are 54" wide and range in price from \$5.98 to \$8.98 per yard; elastic 10-yard bundles are \$5 each! United Textiles is selling face mask kits equipped with enough fabric and elastic to make 10-12 masks for \$10 each (instructions also included)! Fabric is assorted, but masculine and feminine colors are available. If you are interested, please call 205-428-6208 to pay over the phone and pick up your order curb side!



HOW TO SEW A FACEMASK



CUT FABRIC

Cut 2 pieces of Quilting Cotton 9" x 7". Cut 2 pieces of 1/4" elastic 7" long.



PLACE ELASTIC

Pin a piece of elastic on the top and bottom of the short ends of the rectangle 1/2" from edge to create an ear loop.



PIN FABRIC

Place 2nd piece of fabric on top with right sides



SEW FACE MASK

Sew around entire facemask leaving a 2 inch opening along the bottom for turning. Backstitch over elastic. Turn right side out.



CREATE PIN TUCKS

Fold mask in thirds and press. Create 1/2" pintucks facing upwards using pressed markings as a guide.



TOPSTITCH

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Sew along the outside of the entire mask using a 3/8ths inch seam allowance.





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AMBASSADORS



Sitting – Left to Right

Sarah Beasley (Joe Beasley Memorial Foundation, Inc), Lori Chisem (Lawson State Community College), Minnie Roper (Retired), Anna Wooten (First Financial Bank)

Standing – Left to Right

Dorian Waluyn (Lawson State Community College), Danielle Matthews (Matthews & Associates), Chyna Brown (Brown Beauty Barber School), Denise Jackson (New Jerusalem Baptist Church), Tamala Briggins (Oak Trace Care & Rehabilitation), Cathy Ackerman (First Financial Bank), Daryl Owens (New Jerusalem Baptist Church)

Not pictured

Sarah Belcher (Retired), Claire Mitchell (Retired), Andie Sloan (Comfort Care Home Health), Donna King (D & K Lawncare

Ambassadors are the key resource in extending hospitality in the Bessemer area and are experienced in business, community, and promotional arenas.

An Ambassador must serve as an active public relations arm of the Chamber and be prepared to meet visitors, local businesses, and various forms of the media.

We encourage you join the ambassador program. The ambassadors meet on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 8:30am at the Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce.



RESTAURANTS



Support our chamber members by purchasing food for your family or delivering food to essential companies as a way to say thank you!

BUY BESSEMER - WORKING TOGETHER WORKS

Our Chamber Members are Offering Curbside Service

















RESTAURANTS:

Bob Sykes Barbecue Drive-Thru / Online Ordering / Phone Orders / Curbside Pick-Up Open M - TH 10:30 am - 8 pm and FR - SAT 10:30 am - 9 pm www.bobsykes.com

Accepts Credit Cards / Cash (No checks) Call 205-426-1400 or go online to place order

Diablo's Southwest Grill Curbside / Phone orders / DoorDash Delivery Accepts Cash / Credit Cards

Open 11 am - 7pm (Mon - Sun) www.diablossouthwestgrill.com Call 205-760-5550 to place order \$2 Taco Tuesdays

Firehouse Subs

TakeOut / Phone Orders

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Open 9 am - 7 pm Accepts Visa / Cash Call 205-428-5844 to place order

MeMe's Deli

Curbside Pick-Up / Phone Orders

Open M - W 7 am - 4 pm and TH & FR 7 am - 6 pm

Accepts Cash / Credit Cards

*School children eat free 8-10 am, 11:30 - 1 pm

Will open on Sat. beginning 4/18 w/breakfast buffet

Seafood King Bessemer Takeout Only Full Menu Available Call 205-434-3766 to place an order

Open 12 – 8 pm Text 'Bessemer' to 888111 for monthly deals

Takoyaki RestaurantTakeout Only
Open 11 am - 9 pmAccepts Credit & Debit / Cash
Call 205-477-6400 to place orderFull Menu Available
Call 205-477-6400 to place order

The Back Porch

Takeout / Curbside / Delivery within Bessemer for \$40 or over Senior Citizens 10% discount

Open 11 am - 4 pm TU - SUN Accepts Cash / CashApp / Paypal / Debit & Credit Call 205-760-5035 to place order Check Ron Cook's FB page daily

The Bright Star Restaurant

Curbside Service / DoorDash / Order online via their Facebook page

Limited Menu
Accepts Credit Cards / Cash

TU - SUN 4:30 - 6:30 pm

Call 205-424-9444 to place order

You can purchase gift cards to support the Bright Star at https://thebrightstar.instagift.com

Purchase \$100 in certificates and get \$25 free (Promotion extended until 4/30/2020)
You can use bonus gift card through 3/31/21 www.thebrightstar.com

The Fish Market Pickup / Curbside / Deliver (DoorDash, Uber Eats, Waitr, Bham Takeout) Full Menu Available

Open M - TH 9am - 6 pm and FR - SAT 9 am - 7 pm www.thefishmarket.net
Call 205-322-3330 to place order Family of 4 dinner specials Grab & Go options available

Zatie's Southern Cuisine

Takeout / GrubHub Delivery

Full Menu Available

Accepts credit cards / cash
Open SUN 10:30 - 5pm / M - FR 10:30am -6:30pm / SAT closed

Call 205 205-518-5559

Visit Zaties Southern Cuisine on Facebook for menu

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