



**\*\*\*FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE\*\*\***

February 17, 2021 - Douglaston, NY The **Douglaston LDC**, in an effort to serve the rising food insecurity needs of the community, is pleased to announce that it is expanding its efforts through multiple community partnerships, for a ***Douglaston Community Food Share*** beginning on February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

Thanks to the generous support of **La Jornada NY Food Pantry**, in supplying the food donations; and **City Councilman Paul Vallone** and the **NYC Dept. of Youth & Community Development** for support, the Douglaston LDC is able to partner with our community churches: **Zion Episcopal Church** (on the last Sunday of each month) and the **Community Church of Douglaston** (on the second Sunday of each month) to provide a food box distribution to those in need, in our community.

According to DLDC Executive Director Rebecca Gellos: “This expanded effort of the DLDC will provide for a twice-monthly “pop-up food pantry” for the neighborhood, representing an opportunity for “neighbors helping neighbors” through the partnership with our two local churches, that will provide the distribution to those in need, in our community”

The La Jornada NY Food Pantry, a Flushing-based Food Pantry service serving thousands of Queens residents who are currently dealing with food insecurity issues during this pandemic, is pleased to reach out to northeastern Queens with this effort, in partnership with the DLDC. “The Douglaston LDC has worked very hard during the past year of the COVID-19 pandemic to assist those in need in our community. We are very happy to be able to expand this effort thanks to La Jornada NY Pantry, and our NYC agency partners. We are especially pleased to partner with our local churches: Zion Church and CCD – to be able to connect with those in need during this time” said Victor Dadras, Vice-President of the Douglaston LDC.

For further details, please visit: [www.douglcdc.org](http://www.douglcdc.org) or [www.facebook.com/DouglastonLDC](https://www.facebook.com/DouglastonLDC)

The Douglaston Local Development Corporation (DLDC) is a not-for-profit organization formed in 2010 by Douglaston residents, merchants and other stakeholders to preserve and protect the unique historical and aesthetic qualities of the Douglaston Village commercial district, and to revitalize its unique commercial district.

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Douglaston LDC is sponsoring

# *Douglaston Community Food Share*

Food Box distribution –to those in need, in our community, a pop-up food pantry for the neighborhood on the first & last Sundays of the month: “neighbors-helping-neighbors” with community partners:



<https://zionepiscopal.org/>

( at rear entrance: Church Street & Orient Avenue )

Sunday, February 28<sup>th</sup>: 1-to-2pm

Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>: 1-to-2pm

Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup>: 1-to-2pm

Sunday, May 30<sup>th</sup>: 1-to-2pm



<https://www.ccdouglaston.org/>

( 39-50 Douglaston Parkway – rear parking lot )

Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup>: 1-to-2pm

Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup>: 1-to-2pm

Sunday, May 9<sup>th</sup>: 1-to-2pm

Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup>: 1-to-2pm



Council Member  
Paul Vallone

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