



# WESTPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## PRESS RELEASE

### **Westport Police Department to Partner with Westport Health and Human Services and Mental Grit Fitness in ‘Stop, Shop and Drop-Off’ Food Drive**

The Westport Police Department is proud to announce our partnership with representatives of the Westport Health and Human Services Department and employees of Mental Grit Fitness in the ‘Stop, Shop and Drop-Off’ Holiday Food Drive scheduled for Thursday December 17 and Friday December 18, 2020.

Volunteers from all three of these organizations will be on hand collecting donations at the Imperial Municipal Parking Lot, located directly off of Imperial Avenue in Westport, from 12:00pm to 4:30pm each of these two days. All items collected will directly benefit needy families within the Homes with Hope Inc. network as well as those affiliated with the Norwalk chapter of the NAACP.

The specifically requested non-perishable items are as follows:

- **Canned, jarred and boxed goods including chicken, salmon, SPAM, tuna, fruit, applesauce, vegetables, soups/stews, peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauces, pasta and macaroni and cheese**
- **Breakfast items such as granola, breakfast bars, and cereal**
- **Toiletries and cleaning products including paper towels, tissues, toilet paper, hand sanitizer, disposable gloves, sponges, sanitizing wipes, and laundry detergent**



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We kindly ask that donors please not bring any perishable items since these cannot be properly preserved on site.

Volunteers will be taking all appropriate pandemic safety precautions and can accommodate contactless drop-off of products in the form of walk-up or drive-up donations including the direct retrieval of these items from the trunk of your vehicle.

Those seeking additional information on this event are requested to contact Andrew Berman, one of the organizers and a volunteer. He can be reached directly at (203) 733-1194 or [andy@mentalgritfitness.com](mailto:andy@mentalgritfitness.com)

We collectively thank you in advance for your consideration and generosity in helping to support our neighbors in need during this holiday season.

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - December 8, 2020**

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