



## MEDIA ADVISORY

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### **Mayor Jerome Prince, Vine Line Produce Host Summer Produce Giveaway**

GARY, INDIANA: Gary Mayor Jerome Prince announced Friday the City of Gary and Vine Line Produce Distribution will host the final produce giveaway of the summer Saturday, Aug. 29, beginning at 9:30 at the Genesis Convention Center.

Mayor Prince and City of Gary team members will distribute boxes of fresh fruit and vegetables to 1,680 Gary as part of the Mayor's Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Initiative. The giveaway is an important step in providing Gary families facing financial strains caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

"I am proud to provide our citizens fresh, healthy and non-processed food," Mayor Prince said. "This is another way we can help our City get through the difficult challenges caused by the virus."

Each 25 lb. box will contain apples, oranges, tomatoes, potatoes, onions, asparagus, cabbage, zucchini, bell peppers, cucumbers, and lettuce. Mayor Prince and Vine Line are collaborating through the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farmers to Families Food Box Program, which is part of the Coronavirus Farm Assistance Program (CFAP).

A number of organizations, including the Association of Black Nurses-Northwest Indiana Ladies in Charge, will help with the distribution.

For more information on COVID-19 and the City of Gary's response efforts, contact Michael Gonzalez, City of Gary Communications Director, at (219)617-07906 or at [Magonzalez@Gary.gov](mailto:Magonzalez@Gary.gov).

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