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My Brother's Workshop Cafe and Bakery Launches 'Pay it Forward' Program to Help Those in Need

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ST. THOMAS — As part of its Covid-19 response effort, My Brother's Workshop (MBW) has so far prepared and served 37,923 meals to vulnerable community members on St. Thomas, St. John and St. Croix. MBW said its "Meals on Wheels" program has ended. However, there are still people in the community in need of assistance.

To that end, the organization has launched the "Pay it Forward" program, which allows MBW supporters to purchase meal vouchers that are valid for one meal from the MBW Cafe and Bakery. These vouchers make a great gift for friends, employees, or to be given to someone in need of a meal for any reason, said the nonprofit.

Donors may direct where the "Pay It Forward" vouchers will go. You may distribute them on your own, or MBW can distribute them to those it identifies as in need through local churches, organizations working with the homeless, and other community partners. Support MBW's "Pay it Forward" program [here](#).

In addition to helping the community by providing meals to those in need, this will also allow MBW to maintain its current training program in the cafe and bakery, where nonprofit leaders work with at-risk youth ages 16-24, through mentoring, counseling, education, on-the-job training, and job placement.

Given the current situation of the Covid-19 pandemic, the MBW Cafe and Bakery has implemented some new rules and regulations for staff and customers. These guidelines include:

- Masks or face coverings must be worn at all times by staff and customers. Make sure you have your mask on before entering the premises.
- Social distancing (maintaining a distance of 6 feet or more from anyone not in your family) must be practiced at all times while on the premises.
- The nonprofit is encouraging its customers to call ahead to place orders (340.715.2767) to minimize the amount of people at the cafe at all times.
- Ordering and Pickup is located at the Bakery Square parking lot entrance.
- Take away orders only

The new menu along with the daily specials can be viewed [here](#).