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The Negril Chamber of Commerce would like to clarify some misleading information that has been circulating on social media regarding the distribution of food packages. Here are the facts;

- 1. The Negril Chamber of Commerce in partnership with the Tourism Enhancement Fund through the Tourism Linkages Network has embarked on a food distribution drive to assist the most vulnerable citizens affected by the Covid 19 pandemic, who reside in and around the resort areas.
- 2. This program is aimed specifically at those persons who are adversely affected by the shutdown of the Tourism Sector but who do not qualify for the Government's CARE program.
- 3. Any persons already benefiting from the Government's CARE program will **not** receive this assistance.
- 4. We strongly believe that **all** citizens should be looked after during this crisis and we will endeavor to continue this collaboration for as long as possible. 283 packages have been distributed so far.
- 5. The produce for this program is supplied by our local farmers who at this time, have excess produce because of the shutdown.
- 6. A new date, time and location will be announced when the next distribution is going to take place.
- 7. For those who qualify, yes, bring a bag or box.

We hope this will clarify any misunderstandings. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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