



WORKING TOGETHER TO KEEP OUR GROCERY WORKERS SAFE

In light of the unprecedented crisis facing our nation, the hard-working people at your local **Albertsons Companies stores**, including Safeway, ACME Markets, Jewel-Osco, Vons, Pavilions and Albertsons supermarkets, among others – who are proud members of the **United Food & Commercial Workers (UFCW) union** – are working tirelessly to help our communities have access to the food, medications, and other essential goods they need during this fast-moving pandemic.

Now, more than ever, it is critical that we unite.

Not only must we work together to protect first responders and healthcare professionals, but we must also protect the associates who work at our supermarkets because their service to our communities is absolutely essential during this time.

That is why Albertsons Companies and the UFCW are launching a joint national effort to seek a temporary designation for supermarket associates as either “extended first responders” or “emergency personnel” during times of national crisis that require people to shelter in place. With this designation, grocery associates will have access to priority coronavirus testing, which will help protect the public by ensuring supermarkets remain safe places to work and shop.

From the onset of this crisis, Albertsons Companies’ Banners and the UFCW joined forces to ensure supermarket associates would get the protections they need.

Among the recent changes announced, Albertsons Companies has announced several additional in-store safety measures, such as plexiglass protection at cash registers, in-store social distancing guidelines, enhanced sanitation procedures, sick leave benefits for associates diagnosed with coronavirus or those who are required to self-quarantine, and an extra \$2 per hour appreciation pay to recognize the hard work of front-line associates.

Finally, we want to say thank you to all those we serve.

Thank you for your kind words, for supporting the people who work at Albertsons Companies grocery stores, and for your support of all grocery employees everywhere.

As difficult as the days ahead may be, we will all get through this by working together and remembering the dedicated grocery and pharmacy employees who continue to serve our communities during this critical time.

Sincerely,



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