



Stater Bros. Markets COVID-19 Update

San Bernardino, California (March 14, 2020) - Effective Sunday, March 15, 2020 all 169 Stater Bros. Markets locations will temporarily modify their operating hours to 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

These store hour modifications will be effective until further notice and are due to the unique circumstances COVID-19 has created nationwide. The reduced hours allow the Company sufficient time to thoroughly clean its stores, restock merchandise and ensure a safe and healthy shopping experience for its customers and employees.

“To ensure product availability for all of its customers, there are limits on high demand items,” stated **Stater Bros. CEO Pete Van Helden**. “The Company is working around the clock to get product to our stores as quickly as it becomes available. Be assured that all of our merchandise is being sold at its everyday price. For nearly 84 years, we’ve worked hard ensure the needs of our local communities are met, and as long as the shopping experience remains safe, our stores will remain open. We’re in this together to keep our community safe,” Van Helden concluded.

Stater Bros. Markets is taking additional preventive measures to protect the health and safety of its valued customers and loyal employees. The Company has increased its daily cleaning routine by spending more time disinfecting frequently touched surfaces like check stands, drinking fountains, door handles, shopping carts, payment keypads, and restrooms. This guidance is based on the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommendations.

About Stater Bros. Markets:

Stater Bros. Markets was founded in 1936 in Yucaipa, California, and has grown steadily through the years to become the largest privately-owned supermarket chain in Southern California. The Company currently operates 169 supermarkets, and there are approximately 17,000 members of the Stater Bros. Supermarket Family. Since 2008, Stater Bros. Markets and Stater Bros. Charities have contributed more than \$80 million in food and funds to local Southern California communities. For more information about Stater Bros. Markets, visit www.staterbros.com.

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