

## Community Donations

March 26, 2020

TGMC Team,

*Right now, we are all facing a challenge most of us never imagined possible. Through it all, as always, you have been a steadying force for your patients and your community. Honestly, I cannot thank you enough.*

*As we have taken precautions to assure the safety of our patients and staff, we have restricted visitors within the organization and requested that Team B staff members shelter in place until those departmental services are reopened and required. These initiatives are temporary, as it takes us all to make TGMC run, but these are unprecedented times as we all work through the COVID crisis.*

*Recently, TGMC has received an outpouring of support from our community. Local restaurants have generously donated food keeping our employees well fed during long shifts. Community members donated thoughtful care packages providing comfort to staff while away from their homes. Healthy residents donated blood, which goes directly to patients in our hospital.*

*While TGMC currently has a supply of N-95 masks, surgical masks, gowns, face shields, and soap for our staff to use, and to protect our patients, future orders have proven difficult to fill in the usual timely manner. During this time, residents and companies have been generously donating these items. The large donation of masks, hand-made by many, have provided general protection for our non-clinical areas and team members. These kind acts mean so very much to us, and from the bottom of our hearts, we are thankful.*

***Please be aware that NO donations may be accepted on behalf of TGMC at a department level and any and ALL donations must go thru our Donations Resource Coordinator to assure they are evaluated for medical safety and employee use within areas designated for patient care.***

*We are appreciative of all of our community partners and in an effort to assure that all of our community offerings of donations of any type are received, acknowledged, and disseminated appropriately, contact our Coordinator thru the **Donations Hotline at 873-4611** for guidance.*

*We will continue to provide updates as they occur and please go to [ldh.la.gov](http://ldh.la.gov) for the most current statistics on COVID-19 cases within the state. Additionally, TGMC.com, employee resources will continue to post information and updates.*

*Thanks again for all you are doing in these tough times, it is truly appreciated.*

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