

# Stay Home, Stay Healthy

We recognize that the recent directive to "Stay Home, Stay Healthy" is a strong effort to stop the spread of the coronavirus in our community.

As the days goes by, we are faced with increasing challenges. The shelter is out of gloves, masks, disinfectant, and we are spending an additional \$20,000 a week in expenses, to meet the demands of the impact of the virus. Please <u>read this article</u> <u>that was published today in ProPublica</u>, in which we have shared not only the challenges but the risks we are taking to provide a safe haven for women experiencing homelessness.



You have been with us in many ways, but we must ask you to dig deeper and help us in this very challenging time. **The lives of the women we serve depend on your support.** 

You, along with your whole community, are in our thoughts and we hope that you are taking care during this crisis. Amidst all the stress and uncertainty, it has never been more critical to stay connected with one another – even as we observe "stay home" to keep each other healthy and safe.

Because the health crisis is rapidly changing, sometimes within hours, we will continue to inform you regularly of key changes and needs. Below you will find our most recent updates.

With wishes for you and your family's good health,

Alisa Chatinsky Executive Director

### **Important Updates**

In keeping with the State's "Stay Home, Stay Healthy" order, our office is closed to the public and our staff is working remotely. If you need to contact the office, leave a message at 425.463.6285 or send us an <u>email</u>.

Donations (ONLY from our <u>shelter needs list</u>) may be delivered to the Day Center at at 3032 Bellevue NE, Bellevue, WA 98004. Between 10 AM and 6 PM.

Volunteers are not permitted at the Day Center or Shelters because of the order.

Since, March 17, we have been providing support and services 24/7. Our Emergency Shelter is now co-located with the Day Center and Extended-Stay Shelter at St. Luke's Lutheran Church.

We are taking daily health assessments of clients and staff, while being rigorous about handwashing and cleaning of the shelters. Currently we have no confirmed cases of infection.

All meetings and events scheduled in April will now be hosted virtually. Look for updates about these opportunities to join with us.

### **How You Can Help**

I/We Want to Support the Emergency Fund I/We Want to Donate Your Shelter Needs

## Read All Our Updates

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### Day Center

3032 Bellevue Way NE Bellevue, WA 98004 (behind St. Luke's Lutheran Church) Ph: 425.896.7385 Bus route: 249 7:15 AM to 7 PM

#### **Emergency Shelter**

(Until May 2020)

St. Luke's Lutheran Church

3030 Bellevue Way NE Bellevue, WA 98004 Ph: 425.463.6254

Bus route: 249 7 PM to 7:15 AM

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