



A Note of Appreciation to the Helpers

In the midst of tragedy, we're told to "Look for the helpers."
At Lutheran Social Ministries of Maryland, we never have to look very far.

Our neighbors in Carroll and Howard counties have embraced us as only a good neighbor, friend, or family member could. We find ourselves on the receiving end of dozens of acts of kindness both from people we know and people we've never met; big businesses and small businesses looking for some way, any way, to make a difference in someone's life.

People of all ages and backgrounds are giving back to our communities. While navigating their own personal and professional struggles, they manage to find the time and resources to make our lives better. All of us, together, continue impacting the lives of our residents, their families, and our team members in countless ways.

At the start of this pandemic, a single inquiry on the Howard County Moms Club Facebook page secured us more than 200 additional facemasks sewn and donated by Howard County Mask Makers. The masks were made available to our residents.

Lunch deliveries from our favorite local restaurants not only sustain our team members but support local businesses. First Financial Credit Union, Right at Home, and Mutual of America are among local businesses who have delivered lunch at no cost to our team members while Barnes & Bollinger Insurance Services, Inc, provided lunch and gift cards to local restaurants for team members to enjoy.

The management at the grocery store chain, Giant, goes above and beyond their job description to help keep residents' homes stocked with essential food and household items. Crossroads Pharmacy, Kojak Graphics Communication, Banner Masonry Corp., Strouse, and Integral Components, Inc., and countless others are helping us fulfill our mission of service to seniors.

On behalf of the people who live and work at Carroll Lutheran Village and Lutheran Village at Miller's Grant, thank you. We're grateful to each of you for making our lives better.

Thank you!

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