

Dear Edwards Center families,

As you're aware, Governor Brown has issued an executive order to "Stay Home, Save Lives" for the entire state of Oregon to prevent the further spread of the novel coronavirus COVID-19. We are taking every reasonable precaution to remain compliant with this order. We know this is a scary and confusing time, and we're so grateful for the trust you place in our team. We remain so proud of our team members' continued commitment to the people we serve. A few updates:

- We still have no known or suspected cases of COVID-19 among our staff or residents.
- Based on Governor Brown's order, the number of people we support in employment has been dramatically reduced. We anticipate further reductions depending on employers' response to the order. To the extent possible, we will continue to support people in their jobs.
- Washington County Public Health has indicated they'll have drive-up testing available this week. We have not heard yet from Clackamas County Public Health.
- Some have had questions about what we'll do in the event a resident or staff member tests positive. We have been directed by the state to report any positive tests to our local Public Health Department. They will then provide direction from there. We will, of course, isolate both staff and resident.

We will continue to provide updates as we have them. In the meantime, please feel free to reach out.

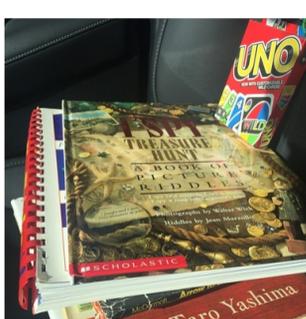
Sincerely,

**Allen**

### Thank you!

Last week, Founder Jean Edwards made some special trips to pick up wonderfully donated items from friends and supporters to bring to our group homes - practicing social distancing by picking items up from doorsteps and dropping them off outside our group homes.

Thank you to everyone who donated and to Jean for delivering these great items to our group homes. Our residents are enjoying having some new activities during this time!



### STAY HOME. SAVE LIVES.

#### DO:

- Stay home as much as possible (kids, too).
- Stay at least 6 feet away from others any time you are out.
- Go out only for essentials (groceries, medical care).
- Exercise outside (hiking, biking) only if you can be 6 feet apart from others.
- Have video and phone chats.
- Drop food off to neighbors who can't go out.

#### OPEN:

- Grocery stores
- Banks
- Pharmacies
- Bars, restaurants (takeout, delivery only)
- Some other stores (stay 6 feet from others)
- Gas stations

#### DON'T:

- Gather in groups.
- Get together with friends (no drinks or dinners).
- Have play dates for kids.
- Make unnecessary trips.

#### CLOSED:

- Malls and retail complexes
- Fitness, yoga and dance centers
- Barbershops, hair and nail salons, spas, cosmetic stores, tattoo parlors
- Theaters, amusement parks, arcades, bowling alleys, skating rinks, museums
- Concerts, sporting events, festivals
- Campgrounds, pools, skate parks, playgrounds



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Information shared by Governor Kate Brown on [Facebook](#) detailing what is allowed under her "Stay Home, Save Lives" order.

### We're In This Together

In these uncertain times, our highest priority is the health and wellbeing of all Edwards Center participants and staff as we work hard to get back to business as usual. We are dedicated to high-quality communication and welcome any questions at any time.

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