



NOYES HOME *for* CHILDREN

— *Established 1894* —

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Thank you for supporting our missions. We need your help now more than ever as this global pandemic is changing the way we live our day-to-day lives. We are asking that you help us in keeping our residents at both Meadowview Residential Care and Noyes Home for Children safe and healthy.

We are canceling all unnecessary visits to both sites—this includes individual and group volunteers, as well as group tours of our facilities. Immediate family members will be able to visit our residents, but will be subject to COVID-19 symptom screenings and will be denied entry if they exhibit symptoms. We will be providing technology to our residents to allow virtual face-to-face conversations to ensure that they stay connected to their families for the immediate future. We will not be engaging in our normal social activities and outings. We encourage donations of items like movies, puzzles, crafts and games to help keep our residents entertained, as we do not know how long this period of restricted activities will last. Here are links to our wish and needs lists that have been recently updated:

Amazon.com: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/5PERFY9LY2UI?ref=wl_share

Target.com: <http://www.target.com/gift-registry/gift/noyeshomewishlist>

Our preference is to limit foot traffic in and out of our facilities, so we appreciate donors who place their orders online and have their donated items delivered. Monetary donations are our greatest need and can be made via Facebook or online at:

Meadowview: <https://bit.ly/3acDr3S>

Noyes Home: <https://noyeshome.org/donate/>

Our Dine and Donate events are in the process of being rescheduled. An updated listing of dates and locations will be made available once details are confirmed but will not resume until at least June 1st.

Our top priority is keeping our residents and staff healthy and safe and we know that the upcoming days, weeks and potentially months will be challenging ones for all families. Below are links to resources that we have found helpful in discussing the current COVID-19 situation with our residents, staff and loved ones.

Resources

COVID-19, School Cancellation, and Trauma

<https://starr.org/covid-19-school-cancellation-and-trauma/>

Managing Anxiety & COVID-19

<https://www.verywellmind.com/managing-coronavirus-anxiety-4798909>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/coping.html>

CDC Information About Prevention

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/prevention.html>

We sincerely appreciate your efforts to keep yourself and our community healthy and safe!

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chelsea M. Howlett".

Chelsea M. Howlett, MS
Executive Director