

IMPORTANT UPDATE – 3/25/2020

Family and Staff Support Update

Hello Everyone,

First of all, thanks for all the amazing notes I've received today. I tried to respond to each one personally, and please know I'm sincerely grateful for every note. They help me feel a little more connected! Now, I'd like to provide a quick update and reminder of our efforts to support our families and staff.

You may remember that a few days ago our management team and board collaborated on a way to get short-term funds to families or staff who need help with essentials, like food and medicine. We agreed to take the donations from this year's Board Appeal and those from our Annual Staff Appeal to create an emergency fund to bridge the gap between now and when more Federal funds begin to flow.

The purpose of this initiative will continue to be to support families and staff on a crisis/essential basis. We are keeping things simple and acting on trust rather than a complicated application process. I know there's no one reading this that hasn't needed help at one time or another, and not only is The Moore Center community strong, we recognize that our greatest strength is that we know how to help each other. So, if you need a hand with essentials please reach out to Sue Goddard, who will continue to process requests from families, and Barbara Didona, who will process staff requests. Sue can be reached at susan.goddard@moorecenter.org and Barbara at Barbara.didona@moorecenter.org. We are confident that federal assistance will begin arriving soon and that this "gap" initiative will help clients, families and staff stay safe and fed.

I want to thank Susan and Barbara, and also Ellen Roposa, who volunteered to be the bridge between requests and getting the \$50 Visa cards in the mail. Ellen told me a few minutes ago that so far a total of 51 gift cards have been mailed.

You'll very likely be hearing from me again tomorrow, but until then stay safe, take care of each other, and check out the two meme's I've attached!

Paul

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