

ACTIONS 4 SOLUTIONS COVID-19 Medical PPE Emergency Drive Summary

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Dear Ying Zh., Lihong Zh., and our great Portland Chinese Community,

Thank you so much for your participation and support of the COVID-19 Medical PPE Emergency Drive by the Acions4Solutions youth group for our local hospital's medical professionals!

Initially, we just wanted to donate our very limited number of medical masks and gloves to a local hospital. Then, we realized that there were probably other families in our community who would also like to donate PPEs but whose work/life schedule didn't allow them to visit the hospital soon. In terms of reducing the community's risk of exposure, it would also be nice if we could reduce the trips to hospitals as a community. We decided we could help by going-and-collecting the donations and sending all collected donations together to the hospital in one trip.



Our goal was to collect and send as many of medical PPEs to our hospitals as possible before stricter social distancing rules came into effect on March 23rd so that we could support our local medical professionals with whatever we had in our hands, big or small.



Starting late at night on Saturday, March 21st, we started spreading the word via various WeChat groups and on Instagram. By Sunday March 22nd 6 PM, we had received 70 N95 Masks from

two generous donors! With our own contributions, we had a total of 180 N95/Medical Masks and 100 Medical Gloves in hand. **On March 22nd 7:30 pm, we sent all 180 Masks and 100 Gloves to the Legacy Emanuel Medical Center at 501 N. Graham St. in downtown Portland.**

We really appreciate our two donor families – **Ying Zh. and Lihong Zh.** - your generosity and your kindness to donate your own medical supplies to protect the greater community are deeply appreciated, as are your consideration to prepare in advance and your trust in handing us your donations to send to the hospital.

We would also like to sincerely thank our Portland Chinese community for supporting the drive by allowing us to promote the drive on various WeChat groups.

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We would like to share some details and touching moments with you:

Actions4Solutions COVID-19 PPE Drive: Delivering Supplies 3/22/20



On Sunday, March 22nd, after picking up the donations, we first visited the St. Vincent Medical Center but found out that their business office, the only place that accepted donations, was closed.

With the concerning possibility of “Stay Home Stay Healthy” coming into effect on Monday, we decided to donate all Masks and Gloves to the Legacy Emanuel Medical Center in downtown Portland.

When we arrived at the hospital, we noticed the nearly empty parking lots.

On one hand, we immediately felt the stress COVID-19 had brought to ourselves and our community. On the other hand, we read it as a positive indicator that, currently, our hospitals had not been overwhelmed. Let’s keep good social distancing as a community and keep our hospitals in good shape.

Greeted by brave, confident, and humorous medical professionals at our very first step into the hospital, we felt reassured that our community was in good hands.

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Believe it or not, this was the very first time we had put on medical masks in our lives. Even with masks



on, we could still feel the sincere, hearty gratitude and appreciation from the doctors and nurses at the Emanuel Medical center.

Upon delivering the PPEs, we told the doctors and nurses that the donations were contributed by multiple Chinese families in our community.

We would like to share with you heartwarming messages and feelings from both sides:

❤️ Along with the medical supplies, we also delivered these messages from the donors:

- "It's a little bit, but hope it helps. Take care!"
- "Thank you for protecting the community from COVID-19!!!"
- "Thank you for being so diligent, persistent, and compassionate in your efforts to keep our community healthy"

❤️ The doctors and nurses at Legacy Emanuel Medical Center asked us to **thank all the Chinese families in the community**, and they also told us, **"You guys are going to make so many people in this hospital so happy! Thank you so much!"**

Together, we made it! Thank you and let's continue to fight the COVID-19 virus together!

- Sophia and Alex

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