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WE'LL GET THROUGH THIS TOGETHER

IMPORTANT UPDATE

Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

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Moving Forward, Giving Back: Announcing the Community Aid Campaign

When crisis strikes, Port Authority employees don't hesitate – they have a proven track record of acting selflessly and with unwavering determination, even when dealing with great hardships themselves.

In the spirit of charity, goodwill, and selflessness that has so often defined the agency's workforce, we are pleased to launch the **Port Authority's Community Aid Campaign**. This campaign provides employees with the ability to easily make a donation, through a voluntary payroll deduction, to support the efforts of local charity organizations that are working hard to help those most impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

As leaders of this agency, we recognize and are inspired by the significant positive impact Port Authority employees have already had on the region through the coronavirus crisis and recovery. In addition to the role each of you play in supporting the essential mission of the Port Authority, many of you have made charitable contributions – through Employee Business Resource Groups or individually – to community organizations dealing with the impacts of the coronavirus. We applaud your early action on this front and aim to provide an additional, convenient option for making a charitable gift towards coronavirus relief efforts.

The Community Aid Campaign is a one-time voluntary payroll deduction, in which you can donate \$5 or more from your paycheck to one or two of the regional charities listed below. We encourage you to read up on the mission of each of these charities, which reflect the various communities that we are hoping to help.

New York

- [100 Suits](#)
- [Elmcor Youth and Adult Activities, Inc.](#)
- [Global Giving – Coronavirus Relief for NYC's Children and Families](#)
- [United Way of New York City – COVID-19 Community Fund](#)

New Jersey

- [Center for Food Action](#)
- [Community Food Bank of New Jersey](#)
- [NJ State PBA's Survivor & Welfare Fund](#)
- [NJ Firefighters Mutual Benevolent Association Foundation](#)
- [Palisades Emergency Residence Corporation](#)

This is not like other charity drives the agency has organized. When we mobilized for the hurricane relief effort back in 2017, we were several thousand miles away from the disaster zones. But this pandemic has hit all of us, our families, our friends, our financial stability, and our personal health and wellness.

Recognizing these realities, it is critical that we remind all employees that this is a voluntary campaign and that first and foremost, you and your family's wellbeing is top priority. And remember that a small act of kindness, even just a \$5 donation, can have a major impact.

Challenge after challenge, we must come together as a community to answer the call. Thank you for your kindness, compassion, and all you do for the Port Authority and the region it serves.

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