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Message from United Way of Central Oklahoma Regarding COVID-19

United Way of Central Oklahoma is following guidance from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. Given the dynamic nature of the pandemic, we are also closely monitoring updates from Oklahoma City-County Health Department and the Oklahoma State Department of Health and will continue to evaluate our response as the situation develops.

At this time, United Way of Central Oklahoma’s office will remain open and we are moving forward with all scheduled meetings. We are taking measures to ensure the health and safety of our staff, volunteers, Partner Agencies and all those with whom we interact, as well as implement contingency plans to prepare for continuity of services.

Need Help? Call 2-1-1
If you need assistance finding food, paying housing bills, accessing free childcare or have other concerns about how COVID-19 will impact you, please dial 2-1-1 for a free referral service available 24-hours each day.

Partner Agencies
As in every emergency situation, we are working closely with our Partner Agencies to provide support, collaboration and resources to ensure continuation of services, as well as respond to needs that may arise as our community becomes impacted by the virus. Find additional resources for businesses to protect their workforce while ensuring continuity of operations at the Greater Oklahoma City Chamber.

United Way Office
We are taking measures to provide a clean workplace and asking our staff to take care to follow the recommendations from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention and our local authorities to protect themselves and to prevent the spread of the virus.

Steps to Prevent Illness:
• Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds especially after you have been in a public place, or after blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing.
• Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
• Practice “social distancing” to avoid close contact with others, especially those who are sick.
• Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze or use the inside of your elbow.
• Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily. This includes tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets and sinks.
• If you feel sick, stay home and do not come to work or other public events.

Contingency Plans:
• Precautionary measures have been implemented to equip United Way staff in the case they need to work from home.

United Way of Central Oklahoma understands the need to remain fluid in our response. We are closely monitoring the situation and staying in regular contact with state and local public health officials, as well as our Partner Agencies. This is a rapidly evolving situation and information will be updated as it becomes available. Thank you for your patience and for remaining calm as we work to protect our community.