

Making an Impact

THE CDC FOUNDATION RESPONDS TO COVID-19

Response Update 8
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This issue represents the eighth of the CDC Foundation's COVID-19 response updates, highlighting the work the Foundation is doing through donor support to extend CDC's emergency response. We thank our donors for their incredible generosity and support that is saving and protecting lives as part of the COVID-19 pandemic response.

Update: Globally, more than 8.5 million confirmed cases of coronavirus disease have been reported, including more than 456,000 deaths in nearly every country in the world. In the United States, there have been more than 2.2 million confirmed cases, with cases in all 50 states, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and U.S. Virgin Islands.

CDC Update: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) weekly surveillance summary of U.S. COVID-19 activity is available [through the COVIDView report](#). The latest report shows that after decreasing for several weeks, the percentage of people testing positive nationally for COVID-19 increased slightly compared to last week. The agency also launched [a new resource](#) focused on daily life and coping to help provide guidance on decisions such as whether to venture out and what precautions to take if you do. [Learn more about what CDC is doing to protect us all.](#)

What the CDC Foundation is doing: We are pleased to report our donors have committed \$99 million to bolster public health response efforts to COVID-19.

This week, the CDC Foundation and the Satcher Health Leadership Institute at Morehouse School of Medicine [announced a partnership](#) to address the health equity implications of the COVID-19 pandemic. Support for this program is provided by the CDC Foundation's COVID-19 emergency response fund.

The CDC Foundation has also shared insights and thought leadership on our learnings from the COVID-19 response in several recent forums. For example, our President and CEO Dr. Judy Monroe was a featured guest on [Vanguard Charitable's Value in Giving podcast](#). Dr. Monroe joined Vanguard Charitable President Jane Greenfield to talk about the critical role that CDC Foundation donors are playing in the fight against COVID-19 in the United States and around the globe.

Support from the CDC Foundation and its donors has met a variety of COVID-19 needs to date, such as funding medical supplies and personal protective equipment, forming partnerships to address the health equity implications of COVID-19, supporting global response work and much more. While this response work continues to have real impact, there is more work to do. [Please join with us at give4cdf.org.](#)

Supporting the Work to Save and Protect Lives:

Through the support of our donors, our team has addressed a variety of needs as part of our response efforts since the last update. These highlights include:

- **Collaborating with the Satcher Health Leadership Institute to establish a non-partisan COVID-19 Health Equity Task Force** devoted to monitoring and assessing the disparate impacts on vulnerable populations, including, but not limited to, racial/ethnic minorities, people living with disabilities and those of lower socioeconomic status.
- **Partnering with Cambridge Public Health** to support meal deliveries, environmental cleaning of surfaces, emergency supplies, testing kits and temporary housing support for homeless individuals located at a temporary emergency shelter.
- **Supporting a nationwide registry of pregnant and postpartum women with known or suspected COVID-19** to collect critical information from patients across the country in order to rapidly generate information to guide and inform clinical care.
- **Partnering with the University of Washington to support the school's Future Nurses Response Program** designed to enable immediate deployment of undergraduate and graduate nursing students, who will join a monumental effort to combat the pandemic by providing education and compassionate care to those impacted by COVID-19.
- **Partnering with the Public Health Foundation** to provide individualized assistance to health departments to quickly create contact tracing curricula that combines nationally available training and jurisdiction-specific content.
- In partnership with Google and Magid Glove & Safety, **providing over 3 million masks** to 14 states and territories and 22 cities in 10 weeks.