



# LUTHER MANOR

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## Luther Manor Continuing Precautions Related to COVID-19

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Good Evening from Luther Manor. We continue with our protocols, precautions and daily screening of staff and all Health Care Center and Assisted Living Residents and do all that we can to withstand and overcome this pandemic!

Thank you for your support, partnerships and commitment to our residents and staff as the pandemic continues to evolve. All of your support has been overwhelming! Please continue to connect with your loved ones as often as you can. Don't forget our Sharing God's Love team is here to help! Just email [SharingGodsLove@LutherManor.org](mailto:SharingGodsLove@LutherManor.org) to get started.

### Shout Outs of Thanks!

- **Thank you to K. Devine from Milwaukee** for all the cards of encouragement! We appreciate your support and all the time you put into making those!
- **Thank you to the Downings of Skokie, IL** for all the wonderful colored pictures and encouragement!

### Campus Happenings

- With COVID-19 we continue to look for ways to keep our staff and residents as safe as possible. We showed you one of our two UV light towers that we already used for influenza and other airborne illnesses before the pandemic started to help us control the spread and reduce its impact. We ordered our 3rd light tower right after COVID-19 began and it just arrived. Let's say technology continues to improve, so our newest version is half the size of our first two. We affectionately call the new one R2D2 and our originals CP3O. The nice part about technology improving, it's much easier to push the 4-foot version than the 6-foot ones:)

As we strived to stay up to date on what we could do proactively to kill viruses, we partnered with Milwaukee based Johnson Controls and we are in the process of installing another version of a UV light system into three of our units HVAC systems. This new technology will allow us to treat the air as it circulates throughout that building. These new investments, resident and staff testing, disinfection cleaning, masks and proper hand hygiene are all helping us control illnesses and once again do everything we can to reduce their spread.



## Campus Update

- We learned today that a resident in our Courtyards Assisted Living program tested positive for COVID-19. All staff and the families of those having loved ones who may have had direct contact with this individual have been notified. If you haven't received a call from us, your loved one is not affected. This resident has been transferred to our observation unit in the health care center that is designed to care for COVID-19 patients. Following discussions with the Wauwatosa Department of Health, we are in the process of testing residents and staff in this program. As with our last set of tests, we anticipate the results taking a little longer than they had in the past because of the increase in testing among the general population in our area.

Since mid-March, we have been conducting vitals checks on residents in this program area three times daily. We also monitor them for symptoms to help identify any changes in their conditions. We do the same for all Health Care Center residents and have encouraged all Independent Living residents to self screen daily and have provided thermometers for them to check their own temperatures. Together with wearing masks, screening staff in all program areas and following frequent cleaning and hygiene protocols, we have precautions in place to help mitigate the spread when someone becomes ill. We will keep you updated as test results are returned.



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- With this positive resident case, we have been directed by the Wauwatosa Department of Health to revert back to Phase I of our reopening plan in the Assisted Living area only, for at least the next 14 days. Unfortunately, this means that we are now under quarantine there and must hold off on all small group activities and close the beauty parlor in the Courtyard to help prevent the spread of the virus.

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