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## **Landis Communities Update**

### **April 22, 2020**

We shared in our last update that the Boards of Landis Communities have established a Coronavirus Emergency Fund and set a goal to raise \$250,000 before the end of the fiscal year on June 30. Board Members and Leadership Team have pledged 100% participation in support of the fund and are encouraged by the generous response we have seen in a short amount of time. More than \$75,000, or about 1/3 of the goal, has already been committed! For your awareness, a letter is being mailed today to those in the greater community who may wish to join the campaign. Thank you to all who care deeply for Landis Communities and have chosen to be part of this effort. We have a strong tradition of generosity and have been so blessed by the joyful giving of many over the years. At every significant point in our history, contributions of time, talent and resources have been poured out and have brought us to where we are today. We are so very thankful to each one who partners with us as we seek to grow as a community of Christ-like love!

Throughout Landis Communities, we remain without a known case of Coronavirus. One resident test is currently out at Landis Homes. We are not aware of any tests out at other Landis Communities locations. Each day we are grateful for this incredible news! It is important that we not get complacent even though we may be growing weary of the change in our everyday lives. Please continue staying home, wearing masks when outside of our homes, washing our hands and maintaining physical distance to continue to limit the spread of the virus. The credit for remaining virus free goes to each of you for remaining diligent, and to each team member and their households and families. We are again so grateful!

We remain committed to keeping you informed of resident testing and known cases at any of our locations. If you have questions about something you hear that may seem unusual or appear to be a rumor, please reach out to Jenny Sheckells or a Leadership Team member for answers.

### **Affiliate Updates**

#### **Landis Homes**

We will give an update Friday regarding how this week went for Dining Services deliveries, the LH Pantry and special orders, but we wanted to share a few quick reminders:

- Lunch orders need to be placed by 11 a.m. for same-day delivery.
- Do not call Oregon Dairy directly for any orders. These must go through Landis Homes.
- And finally, we appreciate your patience and grace as we are taking and filling your orders.



Any residents leaving campus in the past week have been stopped at the checkpoint upon return to provide their name for a follow-up call from the Residential Living team. We have found that the number of residents still leaving campus has created a volume of calls that cannot be made by the team in a timely manner. The most valuable things learned from making the calls is that education is still needed regarding the Coronavirus. A new flyer will be going to all residents returning to campus but calls will no longer be made. Again, we ask that you stay home and stay safe. Thank you for your part of our efforts to stop the spread of the virus!

### **Landis at Home**

Letters went out recently to clients updating them on current precautions and how they can stay healthy. Caregivers are now asking clients screening questions each shift and documenting any symptoms or exposure. This allows for a more formal way to monitor and track data.

### **Landis Adult Day Services**

Landis Adult Day Services will now remain closed through at least May 8, 2020. We continue to be glad for the work of ADS team members in various other roles across the organization.

### **Welsh Mountain Home**

WMH continues to be COVID free. We are working on setting up video visits by appointment. Family members are encouraged to call Kaitlyn Fetter or Melissa Walton to arrange a video visit with a loved one. We have started small group activities, socially distanced and with all residents and staff wearing masks. Residents are also enjoying the outdoors, as our property is blooming and looking gorgeous this spring. We continue to find creative ways to keep life interesting and to battle the monotony of quarantine.

### **Pathways Institute for Lifelong Learning®**

We desire to stay connected with Pathways Institute participants and have been working with a few instructors on some creative ways to provide a limited amount of course content digitally through video conferencing. We are currently testing out these options and will update you with more information about these upcoming opportunities.

### **No Longer Alone Family Support Group**

The No Longer Alone Family Support Group will be holding its monthly meeting by Zoom on Sunday, April 26 from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Persons interested in attending the meeting should email [jalbright@landis.org](mailto:jalbright@landis.org) or call 717-381-3500.

**Residents, clients and family members may contact Jenny Sheckells with questions or concerns at [jsheckells@landis.org](mailto:jsheckells@landis.org) or 717.381.3573.** You may find other communications and videos on our website: [www.landiscommunities.org/COVID](http://www.landiscommunities.org/COVID)

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