

HELPING LONG ISLANDERS

With your generous support, United Way has responded to the needs of Long Islanders experiencing unparalleled hardship. Through United Together: A Response Fund for COVID-19 and with a safety net of community partners, thousands of lives have been impacted, including families, individuals, veterans, young mothers with newborns, seniors and healthcare responders. We were able to:

- Assist 10,000 unemployed individuals through our Emergency Gift Card program
- Help seniors by installing over 900 HEPA Air Purifiers in their homes to eliminate the risk of COVID-19
- Distribute over 7,500 Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) kits to Long Islanders containing masks, hand sanitizer and other essential items
- Provide digital technology to less advantaged children in support of in-home learning needs
- Deliver over 5,000 meals and take home meal kits to frontline healthcare responders
- Grant gift cards to nearly 2,000 families with newborns to purchase baby essentials
- Establish the Safe At Home for Seniors program, connecting seniors with critical resources, grocery shopping, transportation to medical appointments, home check screenings, financial counseling and more

United Way of Long Island has received many letters from recipients expressing their sincere gratitude for the help they received:

"I would like to thank all involved with me receiving a HEPA air filter. As a US Air Force veteran with disabilities, it has improved how well I sleep at night and with congestion that I had in the morning."

— Glenda, US Air Force Veteran of Hempstead

"Thank you very much, I already received the gift card. I am very grateful to you, God bless you."

— Jose of Central Islip

"I am so happy and appreciative for everybody that came through to help us. My mother-in-law is 103 years old and we're trying to help her, my husband works and I work too, but it's just so hard during the pandemic. Thank you for your help."

- Lashawnda of Freeport

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