



Recommendations in response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Please follow the outlined recommendations until further notice.
Little Brothers - Friends of the Elderly Upper Michigan Chapter will continue to monitor the situation and change our recommendations accordingly.

Please call 906-482-6944 with any questions or concerns.

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Exercise precaution by following the most current CDC recommendations. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/>

We recommend you:

Wash your hands frequently and use hand sanitizer.

Limit close contact including but not limited to kissing, hugging, handshakes, etc.

Cover your coughs by using a single-use tissue followed by washing your hands or using hand sanitizer.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.

Volunteers: STOP volunteering at the first signs of sickness and only resume after 2 weeks of being symptom free, even if you do not believe it is the coronavirus (COVID-19). Symptoms include fever, cough, shortness of breath, and other symptoms including, sore throat, body aches, and runny nose. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/symptoms>

If you have travelled internationally or domestically to or from a community with sustained spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) cases within the past 14 days, please limit your interactions. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/>

Contact Carol Korpela, Program Director at 906-482-6944 or carol.korpela@littlebrothers.org if you want or need to limit or suspend participation.

HOW EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS, AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS CAN SUPPORT OUR ELDERLY FRIENDS

Please continue to **VOLUNTEER** while healthy. Your elderly neighbors need support.

Pick up and deliver their medication if their pharmacy does not deliver.

Provide wellness check phone calls.

Pick up and deliver groceries and daily living supplies.

PROGRAM STATUS DEFINITIONS. Please see other side regarding individual program recommendations.

ACTIVE - Operating as normal while taking precaution

LIMITED - Operating with limitations

POSTPONED - To be rescheduled to a later date

CANCELLED - Program or Service Cancelled



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Holiday Celebrations - CANCELLED

We cancelled the Easter dinners, home meal deliveries, and holiday visits for the health and safety of all. We came to this decision after thoughtful consideration based on the latest information from the CDC and local health department regarding the coronavirus (COVID-19).

In-Home Visiting - LIMITED

You may continue to visit if you are healthy and not exhibiting signs of sickness. Please have a conversation with your friend to discuss your visiting plan. Do not visit if either of you do not feel comfortable visiting in person.

Please continue your friendship through phone calls and emails if unable to visit in person.

Stop visiting at the first signs of sickness and only resume after 2 weeks of being symptom free.

If you continue your visits in Nursing/Assisted Living Facilities, please follow their restrictions.

We recommend you wash your hands or use hand sanitizer often.

Medical Transportation - LIMITED

Stop volunteering at the first signs of sickness and only resume after 2 weeks of being symptom free.

Elders please call your doctor's office if you are concerned you have the coronavirus (COVID-19).

We ask volunteers to continue to honor our door-through-door philosophy, but we recommend volunteers limit time spent in medical facilities (waiting rooms, etc.).

We recommend volunteers wipe down the interior surfaces of the vehicle with a disinfectant wipe after each transport.

We recommend volunteers keep hand sanitizer in their vehicle.

Small Group Activities - LIMITED

Hancock Coffee Klatsch is **CANCELLED**.

Friends without Borders in March is **CANCELLED**.

Stop volunteering at the first signs of sickness and only resume after 2 weeks of being symptom free.

Small Group Activities are limited to 25 volunteers and guests. Any event with more than 25 people in attendance will be cancelled.

Food Bag Delivery - LIMITED

Stop volunteering at the first signs of sickness and only resume after 2 weeks of being symptom free.

We recommend volunteers not stay to visit when delivering the food.

We will use disposable paper bags instead of reusable bags.

Firewood Delivery - LIMITED

Stop volunteering at the first signs of sickness and only resume after 2 weeks of being symptom free.

We recommend volunteers not stay to visit when delivering the firewood.

Woodlot equipment must be sanitized after each session.

Medical Aid Equipment Loans - ACTIVE

Please sanitize all items before donating or returning to Little Brothers - Friends of the Elderly.

Office Volunteering - ACTIVE

Do not come to the office if you are sick and only resume after 2 weeks of being symptom free.

All visitors and volunteers must sign in and sign out.

Non-Essential Visitor Restrictions are in place. Call 906-482-6944 for more information.

Recognition and Trainings - POSTPONED

