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Dear Members of the SEWA Houston Chapter:

Greetings from San Mateo County, California. As you know, our community is among the hardest hit in the state by COVID-19. We are watching our local case numbers grow and, sadly, the number of community members who have died from the disease. We don't know what the next few weeks will look like, but we are certain the impact of the disease will strain our resources and limit the ability of medical staff to provide care to those who need it most.


It is for this reason that I would like to thank you for your generous gift of the N95 masks that you carefully boxed and shipped to us. We received them at our Emergency Operations Center and have added them to our inventory reserved for the most urgent need—the emergency room doctors, nurses, and other staff who are providing hands-on care to patients suffering from COVID-19. As you know, hospitals are high-risk environments, and having adequate personal protective equipment (PPE) protects medical staff from harm.

Your gift of the N95 masks will allow these professionals to fulfil their mission of caring for the sick, while staying healthy and able to continue to serve.

We in San Mateo County are most grateful that you thought of us. We admire your commitment to serving the community and providing vital resources for the professionals to continue their work.

On behalf of everyone here in our Emergency Operations Center and the medical staff in our county, we thank you, the Houston SEWA chapter, for your dedication and thoughtfulness as we work together to support our communities during these difficult times.

Sincerely,



Roberto Manchia  
Chief Financial Officer  
COVID-19 Incident Commander

