

# Infection Precaution Update

May 1, 2020



## Update on COVID-19 Cases

In our issue on April 24, we reiterated that we will provide brief updates of confirmed COVID-19 cases in the weekly Resident Update. Daily updates are posted weekdays in the GHBC mail room and on the GHA bulletin board above the activity table.

### Goodwin House positive COVID-19 cases as of Friday, May 1:

<b>Residents:</b>	<b>GHA</b>	no resident cases
	<b>GHBC</b>	1 existing resident case and no new cases this week
<b>Staff:</b>	<b>GHA</b>	5 existing staff cases - 2 of which are new this week
	<b>GHBC</b>	2 existing staff cases and no new cases this week
<b>Recovered:</b>	GHA has 2 recovered staff members!	

## Stop and See the Roses

While we cannot smell them, we can still enjoy the splendor of these gardens. Gaze at the beautiful plants and historic architecture of [Kew Gardens](#), wander through the flower-filled [Keukenhof Gardens](#), and jet off to the paradisiacal palm-fringed jungle canopy of the [Hawaiian Tropical Botanic Garden](#).



Want to create your own garden? You can buy plants online on Etsy, Amazon or The Sill. On The Sill, you can shop by plant size, light requirements, and categories like "pet-friendly" and "easy for beginners," and you'll also find tons of info on plant care. [Shop more plants at TheSill.com](#).

## Nurses Week is Coming: May 6-12

Goodwin House is gearing up to celebrate our nurses and care partners! Every year, we celebrate Nurses Week from May 6 to 12. Help us celebrate our nurses by writing a thank-you note to your favorite Goodwin House nurse or care partner, or to the entire Goodwin House nursing staff. Send the notes to [communications@goodwinhouse.org](mailto:communications@goodwinhouse.org).

## Staff Support Fund Update

The generosity expressed by our Goodwin House family continues to inspire us! Since March 20, the Goodwin House Foundation has received 197 gifts totaling \$138,200. These thoughtful gifts benefit our Staff Support Fund, which makes a difference in the lives of staff. With contributions to the Staff Support Fund, we are able to provide need-based grants (up to \$500) and subsidies for shopping at the Goodwin House Store (up to \$100 per month). Staff express profound gratitude for this support.

To support staff as fully as possible, we hope to raise \$400,000. You can contribute in many ways, including a monthly donation through resident billing. To contribute to these efforts, contact Valerie Burke at [vburke@goodwinhouse.org](mailto:vburke@goodwinhouse.org) | 703.824.1345.

## Let's Celebrate Staff Heroes

Notice the vibrant banners and posters going up around both campuses? They're just the first step we're taking to recognize and honor the heroic efforts our staff members are making in caring for residents and one another during this difficult time.



## Q&A: A Doctor's Perspective on COVID-19

This week's Q&A features Goodwin House Hospice Medical Director Dr. Maggie Gloria. She addresses the COVID-19 peak in our region, advises on precautions against exposure and suggests options of self-treatment for a mild case. Printed copies will be available at the Reception Desks at GHA and GHBC.



## Emotional Support Guide

As you continue to face the challenges that come from our current situation, there are many resources and staff available to help. We've prepared an Emotional Support Guide for you that lists what's available and who can help.

## When Will Goodwin House Reopen?

We know residents are eager to learn about our plans to reopen amenities and resume activities when we are able to do so. Goodwin House management and health care leaders are developing our "Safe Path Forward" — a plan that considers the criteria to allow us to safely resume aspects of community life. We will share more details soon. We are grateful for your support of our infection precaution measures. We realize the challenges this has presented, and thanks to you, we've minimized COVID-19 cases.