

## **COVID-19 RESPONSE**

In response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, Operation USA is committed to providing aid to partners across California, where our headquarters are located, and nationwide as funding and opportunities allow. Your investment in OpUSA at this time will determine our capacity to help those impacted by COVID-19.

As of September 1, OpUSA has:

- delivered several donations containing hundreds of thousands of masks, gloves, gowns, face shields, hand sanitizer and other personal protective equipment (PPE) and disposable medical supplies to local partners—including clinics and LA Mayor Garcetti's task force—to help protect frontline workers.
- facilitated a major donation of 2.5 million face masks and other PPE from Vietnamese partners to the United States. One million masks are being distributed via Los Angeles Mayor Garcetti and New York Mayor De Blasio's task forces, with the remaining 1.5 million masks and other PPE distributed to groups demonstrating high need in Southern California and across the U.S.
- signed on as fiscal sponsor for Fuel Them LA, helping to distribute nutritious meals to local frontline workers.
- made grants to community-based partners helping youths and bolstering food security. To date, grants have been delivered to Burnell's Market and the Awesome Girls in New Orleans, to World Harvest Food Bank in Los Angeles, and to the Oyate Teca gardening program on Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota.
- disbursed \$100,000 in funds, made possible by generous corporate donor Sony Music Group, as grants to community-based partners —particularly those serving Black and Latinx communities—focused on bolstering food security, health and education amidst the disruptions to lives and livelihoods as a result of COVID-19 in Austin, Chicago, Detroit, Los Angeles, Miami, Nashville, New Orleans and New York.

Operation USA is also working diligently to:

- provide more grants and support funding to community partners in hard-hit cities across the United States
- educate the public, helping to amplify the importance of preventative and mitigative measures in order to slow the spread of COVID-19 within families, work places and community groups. In June, OpUSA launched the #MasksOfKindness campaign to increase mask wearing in public and promote the choice to do so as a willful act of kindness.
- deliver water, hand sanitizer, cleaning supplies and other mitigation essentials to partners working to protect vulnerable population groups, including youths, seniors and our community's homeless.

When you support OpUSA's COVID-19 response programs, your donations go directly where they are most needed. We never re-allocate a percentage of your donations to unnecessary overhead costs or to a general fund.



Your cash donation to COVID-19 relief, recovery and mitigation directly supports your neighbors in need. Visit **opusa.org** to learn more and give.

Corporate support via in-kind material aid is also vital to our efforts. Contact info@opusa.org.

## Who We Are:

Operation USA supports health and education programs in order to help children and families at home and abroad recover and thrive in the wake of disasters, disease, violence and endemic poverty. Working with community-based partners, we empower disaster-impacted areas to recover, build resiliency and thrive in the face of pervasive obstacles in a time of unprecedented global need.

Since 1979, Operation USA has aided children and families in 101 countries, delivering more than \$450 million in recovery aid. With more than 40 years of experience, we are leaders in the field. Committed to bolstering health, education, food security and disaster preparedness, every project we undertake and program we support ties back to our commitment to helping children and families thrive.

Operation USA is exclusively-privately funded and relies on the generosity of donors, foundations and corporations to deliver aid where it's needed.

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