

UPDATED: March 17, 2020

Dear Annie B. Rose House Residents and Family Members,

We want to provide you information on our current plans regarding our efforts to limit the potential exposure to and spread of COVID-19 and our ongoing planning efforts in the event that the coronavirus outbreak in the U.S. impacts our community.

As you know, there are almost hourly developments in the detection of COVID-19, commonly referred to as coronavirus. Most recently the World Health Organization has declared the coronavirus outbreak a global pandemic. We are committed to monitoring these developments and making prudent decisions based on the information available to us at any given time – in collaboration with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and local and state health departments.

We understand the overall spread of coronavirus is extremely stressful, and we want to reiterate that our top priority is the health and safety of our residents and team members.

The Annie B. Rose House serves an extremely vulnerable population and we are taking this seriously and taking measures to protect residents and team members from contracting the virus.

Starting Tuesday, March 17, 2020 out of an abundance of caution we are implementing the following protocols:

- We will have 24-hour security at the entrance of the building. We are restricting access and visitation for all visitors and non-essential health care personnel, except for certain compassionate care situations, such as an end-of-life situation. This means that no social visiting will be allowed.
- Visitors will need to fill out a survey before entering and screened before being granted access.
- Implementing social distancing- Group activities and bus trips have been cancelled until further notice. The community room, business center, gym, bathrooms have been closed.
- Management Office is closed for in person visits, please make all inquiries over the phone or my email.
- Only emergency maintenance tickets will be handled at this time. If you or someone in your home is ill, we cannot enter your apartment.
- We continue to encourage residents to adhere to the advice of health professionals: wash your hands frequently, avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.

Moving forward, we ask that residents alert us and their doctors immediately if they are experiencing symptoms consistent with the virus so we can take appropriate action and provide assistance, particularly if residents have a fever, cough, or difficulty breathing.

I can't stress enough how vulnerable our population is to this virus. The CDC has reported that older adults and those with chronic medical conditions such as heart disease, diabetes, and lung disease, are at higher risk of getting very sick from this virus. If you are at higher risk it is extremely important for you to take actions to reduce your risk of exposure.

Our Management Team is meeting regularly regarding this dynamic issue, and we will continue to provide updates. We are working to keep the building healthy and we believe prevention and awareness is key.

We are in this difficult situation together, and we all should act in an abundance of caution. Inform our staff and your doctor when you are sick, and stay in your residence if you are feeling ill. We encourage residents to stay away from large crowds and prepare now in the event that the building or the city is required to quarantine.

Please review the attached documents regarding COVID-19 facts, prevention, and a checklist for preparing for a quarantine. If you have any questions or concerns please contact the Management Office at 703-548-4946.

Sincerely,
Lorie Ann McGeehan,
Regional Property Manager