

May 1, 2020

Dear Resident,

Today a new shelter-in-place Executive Order issued by Governor Pritzker becomes effective. Throughout the country, 31 other states are also implementing some form of change from their previously established COVID-19 plan.

The health and safety of our Friendship Senior Options residents and associates are our highest priorities, and we recognize the uncertainty and concern regarding the evolving Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

The Governor's new Executive Order will change the availability and the ability of individuals to interact with services that have been closed for the past several weeks. Discussion follows below.

However, it is most important that each of us realize specific recommendations for high risk populations remain in effect. These are included in the boxed statement immediately below.

Elderly people and those who are vulnerable as a result of illness should take additional precautions. People at high risk of severe illness from COVID-19, including elderly people and those who are sick, are urged to stay in their residence to the extent possible except as necessary to seek medical care. Nothing in this Executive Order prevents the Illinois Department of Public Health or local public health departments from issuing and enforcing isolation and quarantine orders pursuant to the Department of Public Health Act, 20 ILCS 2305.

We are adjusting our practices and protocols to be consistent with the specificity and intent of the Governor's new Executive Order.

As of May 1, if you need to leave the campus, you may do so provided you are compliant with the Governor's new requirements, which include wearing a mask, practicing hand hygiene before leaving and upon returning, maintaining physical distancing and refraining from congregating with others.

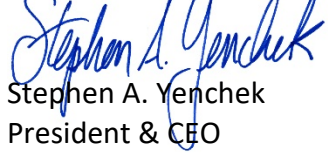
In conjunction with these changes, we have been successful in increasing our inventory of surgical masks. On Tuesday, May 5, we will provide each resident a mask and also provide information on how you can obtain a personal supply.

Consistent with the guidelines for at-risk populations, we advise you to remain sheltered in your apartment or garden home to the greatest extent possible. The changes in the Governor's Executive Order do not modify any of our current visitation restrictions.

Just as we have directed our associates, if you don't feel well, stay in your apartment and check with your physician and monitor your symptoms. Typical symptoms of COVID-19 include fever, cough, shortness of breath, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, and new loss of taste or smell.

Your compliance and cooperation will make a difference in our collective health and continued success. Continued compliance with professionally established policies and practices will serve our community well.

Please bring your vigilance and cooperation,



Stephen A. Yenchek
President & CEO

Establishments that are now open

Though the following establishments are open, we are not encouraging you to go into these locations. There is increased potential to interact with others which increases the possibility of bringing the virus into the community. Drive through options are better alternatives.

- Grocery stores
- Pharmacies
- Banks

In addition, the state included the following modifications effective May 1:

- Outdoor recreation
 - A list of parks that are open can be found on the Illinois Department of Natural Resources website
 - Golf courses – permitted under strict safety guidelines
- New essential businesses
 - Greenhouses, garden centers, nurseries may re-open
 - Animal grooming may also re-open
- Non-essential retail
 - Retail stores may re-open to fulfill telephone and online orders through pick-up outside the store and delivery
- Face coverings
 - Beginning on May 1, individuals will be required to wear a face-covering or a mask when in a public place
 - Face coverings are required in public indoor spaces, such as stores
- Surgi-centers and hospitals
 - The State will be issuing guidelines for certain elective surgeries for non-life-threatening conditions