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Supplies Needed at Local Nursing Facility or Assisted Living Facility

Richmond, VA – Virginia’s long term care providers—nursing homes and assisted living facilities—are on the front lines of caring for patients with COVID-19 and doing everything possible to minimize the spread of the virus. The Virginia Health Care Association – Virginia Center for Assisted Living is asking businesses to consider donating items such as face masks and shields, disposable gloves, scrubs, and alcohol-based sanitizer to their local nursing facility or assisted living facility.

“We’re hearing from our peers in other states that otherwise unconventional partners to long term care are donating items and playing a part in preventing the spread of the coronavirus in their local facilities caring for our seniors and other frail individuals,” said Keith Hare, VHCA-VCAL President and CEO. “We’ve even heard that businesses, such as furniture manufacturers, are shifting their focus to the production of masks. If Virginians are looking for ways to help our state in this pandemic, these are great examples of how they can contribute.”

VHCA-VCAL recommends businesses and organizations—including dental clinics, veterinarians, schools, brewing companies, salons, tattoo parlors, and textile, manufacturing, and construction companies—contact their local assisted living facility or nursing home to determine its needs and ability to receive the items.

To facilitate that effort, visit the following webpages:

VHCA-VCAL Facility Locator

<https://www.vhca.org/locator/>

PPE Donations to Virginia’s Long Term Care Providers

<https://www.vhca.org/ppe-donations-to-virginias-long-term-care-providers/>

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The Virginia Health Care Association – Virginia Center for Assisted Living (VHCA-VCAL) is a member-driven organization dedicated to advocating for and representing the interests of over 345 Virginia nursing and assisted living facilities, the over 90,000 residents and patients they serve annually through the selfless efforts of nearly 50,000 dedicated care-giving staff. VHCA-VCAL is the Commonwealth’s largest association representing long term care. Visit www.vhca.org for more information.