Situation Report (Mayor Hagerty)

- Two new members added to the Mayor’s task force to address the mental health aspect of the crisis: Dr. Christine Sommerville, Program Director for National Alliance on Mental Health, and Janet Jones, CEO of Family Institute
- “Stay at Home” Order is essential to continue to follow
- Hospital capacity and shortages that exist continue to be a concern as numbers increase in the interim
- Food insecurities are a concern as unemployment numbers continue to rise
- Impact of COVID-19 on the financial condition of cities across the country including Evanston. Programs are in place however they do not address loss of revenue
- Continuing to track Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Unified Command Incident Objectives
  - Coordinate with hospitals to expand capacity
  - Assist our Long Term Care facilities and other organizations to serve the most vulnerable and at-risk populations
  - Develop and implement housing and transportation service for those in need of self-isolation
  - Maintain supply chain of Personal Protective Equipment
  - Protect City staff and residents by providing timely information on COVID-19
  - Track the spread of COVID-19 through data analytics and identify those at risk
  - Maintain food accessibility

Spotlight on Local Hospitals & Alternative Care Facilities (Fire Chief Brian Scott)

- The City of Evanston is 1 of 5 accredited emergency management agencies in Cook County. Also uniquely positioned to communicate closely with County and State partners for COVID-19 response for logistics and equipment
- The main objective is making certain we coordinate with local hospitals, to ensure they have capacity and services needed to assist the community.
- The IL Emergency Management Agency also tracks predicted modeling using Census data through IDPH - establishing 4 alternative care facilities in Chicago Metro Region
  - McCormick Place (Chicago, IL) - 3K bed capacity
  - Metro South Hospital (Blue Island, IL)
  - Sherman Hospital (Elgin, IL)
  - Westlake (Melrose Park, IL)
- These are existing facilities recently closed but can be temporarily utilized for reuse as alternative care facilities
- Staffing and transportation will be a foreseeable challenge and separate work groups and monitoring those issues
Hospitals
- St. Francis (Kenneth Jones)
  - Seeing younger patients ages 30 to 49 years
  - Continuing to make patients, long-term care facilities and staff a priority

- Evanston Hospital (Doug Silverstein)
  - 150 ventilators procured as well as additional PPE
  - 9K test completed
  - Patients are able to go to immediate care and also do e-visits at [www.northshore.org](http://www.northshore.org)

Legislators
- Jan Schakowsky’s Office (Ann Limjoco)
  - Question and Answer sheet on the status of various assistance bills available at [schakowsky.house.gov/contact/newsletter](http://schakowsky.house.gov/contact/newsletter)
  - People who receive Social Security benefits will also receive a stimulus check
  - The IRS will make a portal available soon for updating your banking information and distribution of the stimulus payments. Payments should begin mid-April from lowest income to highest income.

- Senator Laura Fine’s Office (Laura Fine)
  -IDES is working on implementing parts of the CARES ACT that applies to unemployment benefit insurance
  - [www.allinillinois.com](http://www.allinillinois.com) is a website from the Governor’s office to monitor good stories and helping each other and sharing posts

- Robyn Gabel’s Office (Robyn Gabel)
  - Regarding unemployment - application for 1099 employees will be ready in one month. This will be retro-active from when residents first lost their income

- Jennifer Gong-Gershowitz’s Office (Jennifer Gong-Gershowitz)
  - Monitoring unemployment insurance and working to push vital information out as soon as possible

- Ald. Larry Suffredin’s Office (Adam)
  - Continuing to coordinate with State, County and Federal offices

Education (Eric Whiterspoon & Phil Ehrhardt)
- Increased the number of meals for kids
• Well over 3K students attend school daily. Login is needed for daily credit
• Remote learning will continue
• Meals will continue during Spring Break

**Senior Living (Mary Leary)**
• PPE is still a very urgent need
• Also need more follow up for trace mapping on positive cases from the County

**Business (Roger Sosa)**
• E-blast for hospitality grant information, due April 1st many restaurants did take advantage
• Did a survey for local businesses to apply for programs available and still sorting out the information
• Continuing focus groups to monitor issues in the community that arise
• Working with banks to review the process for loans. Businesses encouraged to apply for the Economic Injury Disaster loans

**Northwestern University (Luke Figora)**
• Classes will begin on Monday 4/6
• On campus student health care facility available to operate as urgent care for students with immediate needs

**Non Profit (Monique Jones)**
• Seeking guidance for undocumented residents for eligibility
• Need information added to the City’s access channel for Seniors
• Foundation will work with organizations that need to apply for funding from IL Fund and the Community Trust Fund. Will update with more information

**Faith-Based (Rabbi London)**
• Sunday, April 5th at 9am church bells will ring in solidarity for first responders and the community

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, April 7 at 1:30 p.m.