

A CALL FOR IMMEDIATE COMMUNITY ACTION TO SUPPORT OUR FIRST RESPONDERS

The American Chinese United Care (“ACUC”) Alliance is an unincorporated coalition of Chinese Americans and Overseas Chinese throughout the Greater New York City/Tri-State Area. Our members include Chinese charitable entities (large and small), Chinese neighborhood collectives, Chinese-owned businesses, Chinese alumni associations, as well as other Chinese cultural, religious, and professional groups and individuals.

The mission of the ACUC Alliance is to help fight COVID-19 by doing everything possible to help our region’s brave doctors, nurses, hospital workers and first-responders more quickly receive the Personal Preventive Equipment (PPE) and other supplies that ALL medical experts and responsible government leaders continually warn are now in dangerously short supply. This a matter of hours and days – not weeks or months.

By joining our ranks, YOU can bolster the ACUC Alliance’s capacity to restore health, prosperity and hope. YOU have the power to help conquer fear, disease and injustice. We are all in this together.

Rest assured that ACUC will always ensure transparency, accountability and measurable success. Your support (financial or in-kind) can be aimed at whatever organization (or organizations) you choose, or select from our growing list of participants (to be updated regularly) – all of which serve the Greater New York Tri-State area.

To further increase our impact and advance the campaign, ACUC Alliance’s taskforce will be working overtime to make sure specific deliveries of PPE, acts of kindness and messages of encouragement will be publicized and released through independent and state-organized press conferences, as well as via traditional and social media – in English and Chinese. Our messaging will express American Chinese’s loving support for our neighbors of every background while simultaneously promoting those traditional Chinese values that have provided hope, support, sustenance and optimism to our community for many generations.

If COVID-19 teaches us anything, surely it is that people of every background and economic status are equally human. None among us are immune or immortal. All of us – in our own best ways – can forge solutions, cooperate effectively, care for the afflicted and convey hope to the hopeless.

While we are still drafting this letter, we already have 67 organization signed up (See Appendix). We would like to extend special thanks to Wuhan Alumni Association (USA), the Fudan Alumni Association (USA), the Tsinghua Greater New York Alumni Association, the New York Chinese Coffee Club, Durasein Corp who supported and signed up on the first day. The President of Wuhan Alumni, Mr. Mao not only commits to \$50K cash donation, he also convinced Wuhan’s Alumni Mr. Chen Dongsheng (Tai Kang Life Insurance), who is donating 500K masks to join ACUC Alliance.

How to Donate Cash:

- Our goal is not to collect cash donation, but to collaborate your effort together. If your affiliated organization is already among our participants (see Appendix), please donate to them directly.
- Should you or your organization like to join ACUC, please contact us ASAP at ChineseCoffeeClub@gmail.com. We will add you to the list.
- You can also donate via Chasepay/PayPal/Zelle using the email ChineseCoffeeClub@gmail.com or Venmo ID [@Chinese-Coffee-Club](https://www.venmo.com/Chinese-Coffee-Club).
- For Wechat RMB donation, please email ACUC.alliance@gmail.com. We have a point wechat account to collect RMB and will convert to USD later.

When fighting a pandemic, time saves lives! Our deadline is April 6, 2020.

Contribution Requirements for Organizations: A suggested minimum \$1000 cash donation or medical device donations of \$10,000 or more. If you've already donated, or have purchased products that have not arrived, such expenditures will be fully counted toward your contribution.

How to pool the donations: After April 6, we will provide guidelines regarding collection and distribution of donations. Each organization will be able to write checks directly to designated hospitals or to pool ACUC-sponsored "pool accounts." Our ACUC task force will make sure all such funds are delivered in the timeliest possible manner. During the process, we'll also be there to answer questions and address any concerns – especially as changing conditions may warrant.

Benefit for Organizations:

1. Your organization will receive a donation certificate from NY State and will be recognized by New York State government/governor/federal governments.
2. If you plan to donate significant quantities of the medical product, ACUC task force can help your organization arrange an individual reception ceremony with the State government or NY City.
3. Your contribution will be part of the American Chinese Community's anti-COVID19 effort. The aggregated effort will be mentioned in the media and help boost the influence and impact that what we have been done as a great alliance together.
4. We do not buy anything, nor collect your organization's cash. You can write the check to the hospitals or states as you wish. We just coordinate and aggregate this effort to make social impact. there is no risk for you to join us.

PLEASE – DO NOT DELAY – COVID-19 WON'T WAIT FOR US – THE TIME TO ACT IS NOW!