



ACUC Alliance

MEDIA ADVISORY

****Village of Patchogue Accepts ACUC 11000 masks****

Date: Tuesday, May 19th

Time: 11:00 am

Location: Patchogue Village Hall, 14 Baker Street, Patchogue, New York 11772

Confirmed for attendance:

Mayor Paul Pontieri of the Village of Patchogue, Suffolk County Legislator Robert Calarco, Patchogue Ambulance Company representative David Kennedy, Executive Director Greater Patchogue Chamber of Commerce and Greater Patchogue Foundation, Marian H. Russo, President of Greater Patchogue Community Organization Active in Disaster and Executive Director of the Village of Patchogue Community Development Agency, and Food Pantry representatives

Tracy Moodie and Ann Defilippo, Directors from Medford hamlet assisted living, Carolyn Villegas, Community & Physician Relations Manager from Long Island Community Hospital

ACUC Alliance: ACUC Co-Founder Angelene Huang, Senior Vice President of Wuhan University Alumni NY and Professor Zhenyu Yue, Vice President of Wuhan University Alumni NY Tingting Kang, President of Beijing Association of New York Baoli Zhang, Founder of China Day Committee Mark Jia, NYC Stay Strong Group Peter Lin, OSCCF/Hong Foundation Lisa Xiao, Xiaohong Zhang, Chloe Zhang, Leon Zhou, Elaine Zhang, and William Zhou

List of Donations:

To Village of Patchogue:

- 6000 disposable masks
- 5000 disposable masks

To Long Island Community Hospital

- 200 Protective gowns
- 1000 KN95 masks

To Medford Hamlet Assisted Living

- 250 KN95 masks
- 750 surgical masks
- 100 protective gowns

List of Donors:

- Wuhan University Alumni Association of Greater New York: 5000 disposable masks
- Beijing Association of New York Inc: 6000 disposable masks
- China Day Committee Inc.: 200 protective gowns
- NYC Stay Strong (Chinese American Empowerment & Love Given Group, CAA Volunteer and PCR Association): 100 protective gowns
- Overseas Save the Chinese Children Foundation (OSCCF)/Hong Foundation, and Students: Chloe Zhang, Leon Zhou, Elaine Zhang, William Zhou: 1250 KN95, 750 surgical masks

Quotes:

Village of Patchogue Mayor Paul Pontieri said, “Long Island has one of the highest concentrations of Covid-19 cases in the nation and this PPE donation to Long Island Community Hospital will certainly help save lives. I thank the American Chinese United Care Alliance for their generous donation to help keep our residents safe during the pandemic.”

Suffolk County Presiding Officer Rob Calarco said: “Thank you to the American Chinese United Care Alliance for their donation. While the COVID-19 crisis has divided us physically, we are all coming together to help one another. The ACUCA has helped relieve a huge burden on PPE for our local community. I cannot thank them enough for their incredible generosity.”

“Our food pantries have been scrambling to obtain surgical masks and gloves for their volunteers who provide essential nutritional support to our residents” Said Marian Russo, President of the Greater Patchogue Community Organization Active in Disaster. “The generosity of the American Chinese United Care Alliance in providing this needed PPE to the Patchogue Community is greatly appreciated. “

ACUC Co-Founder Angelene Huang said: “American Chinese United Care (ACUC) is a coalition of community organizations in Tri-state launched in March 2020, with the mission to fight COVID-19 by addressing the shortage of PPE supplies and meeting other emergency needs of medical workers and first-responders. The ACUC Alliance participants have raised \$ 5.8 million in cash or in-kind PPE donations since March. Although we are victims of both COVID-19 and anti-Asian crimes, we are stepping up to respond to the call against this pandemic. We have banded together to show we care about our fellow citizens and our communities. Many of ACUC members live around here in Long Island. We care and we are happy to support the Village of Patchogue and hospitals to fight this Covid-19 pandemic.”

SVP of Wuhan University Alumni NY and Aidekman Family Research Professor at Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai Zhenyu Yue said: “As the residents of New York state, we are now devastated by the impact of the pandemic on our community and our lives. Wuhan University alumni were among the first to respond to the calls in early March from NYC hospitals for help – 1.5 million masks, including 350,000 N-95 respirators, were shipped to NYC on a chartered plane. We have also donated additional 100,000 masks and 500 protective gowns to hospitals, post office, resident buildings, police station, and senior homes/homeless shelters, and schools throughout greater NY areas. New York is also our home - we will not stop the fight against the virus until we win!”