

Lyft News

Lyft commits \$6.5 million to COVID-19 relief efforts

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As part of this work, we are pursuing new initiatives that meet the emergency crisis. We are also allocating additional funding to existing COVID-19 relief efforts as the crisis evolves.

Dedicating nearly \$1.5 million to cleaning supplies and protective equipment

We've already given out over 35,000 sanitizing products and continue to provide thousands of hand sanitizer bottles and other cleaning supplies to our drivers and partners across all regions, at no cost to them. In light of the latest CDC and local officials' guidance, we are

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We've also ordered face coverings for the individuals who handle our help protect themselves and others while they are sanitizing and mai

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capabilities.

Committing \$1.5 million in ride credits through LyftUp

We're expanding [our current commitment](#) to provide access to rides for those in need through [LyftUp](#). These rides support those with essential needs during this time, like low-income seniors who need help getting food, domestic violence victims who are in unsafe situations, and doctors and nurses who need to get to work. These rides simultaneously support drivers, by providing driver earning opportunities (riders don't pay for these trips, but drivers are still paid as if it's any other ride).

Providing funds to drivers

Since March, we've provided funds to drivers diagnosed with COVID-19 or put under individual quarantine by a public health agency. We've extended our commitment to provide funds to [qualifying drivers](#), including individuals who have been diagnosed as immunocompromised and directed to isolate by their doctor because of COVID-19. We'll continue to evaluate this fund as the crisis evolves.

Our work continues

In addition to the above initiatives, we have waived fees and reduced rental rates for drivers who rent a vehicle through our Express Drive program. We have worked to provide free access to bikes and scooters for essential workers in 11 markets. We have rolled out a new Essential Deliveries program, which gives drivers additional earning opportunities in communities in need. Our co-founders have donated their salaries throughout these efforts, and we are pursuing ways that our employees can contribute.

As long as needs remain, we will be here for the community. We are committed to expand our efforts, so if there are additional ways we can support, please let us know.

- For governments and healthcare entities who want to move around people, or for nonprofits who need transportation support: contact [us here](#).
- For drivers in need of additional information, please visit: <https://www.lyft.com/safety/coronavirus/driver>.
- For foundations and philanthropists looking for a meaningful way to support: we have many partners who need your support. [Please reach out](#) if you're interested.

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