



Keeping our community

HEALTHY

girls
inc.

of Metro Denver

March 13, 2020

Dear Girls Inc. of Metro Denver Supporters,

As the situation with the COVID-19 continues to shift and intensify daily, I would like to share several updates regarding Girls Inc. of Metro Denver's programs and operations in the coming weeks.

First, we're taking significant measures to do our part to help slow the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19). As this pandemic rapidly evolves, it's affecting all aspects of our community and we want to ensure the health and safety of our girls and families, staff and volunteers, community partners, and broader community. Each of us has a responsibility to adhere to the advice from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to use social distancing to reduce the rate and volume of exposure to the virus and mitigate the risk for vulnerable community members.

Given the seriousness of the situation, Girls Inc. of Metro Denver (GIMD) has decided to follow Denver's Public Schools and close all programming beginning Monday, March 16 through Friday, April 3. During this time period, GIMD facilities and coffee shop, Bold Beans Café, will also be closed and staff will move into a remote work model.

We are ensuring that information is provided to girls and families that will include the following resources: food distribution locations, internet/technology access, rental and utility assistance, and other general emergency resources. GIMD is also committed to pay continuity for all of our full-time and part-time staff.

This is a challenging time of our families and community. Please know that Girls Inc. of Metro Denver's leadership and staff will continue monitor the rapidly changing situation with COVID-19 and will provide timely updates and communication. We encourage you to visit our website at www.girlsincdenver.org and follow us on social media ([Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#)) for updates, information on resources, and ways to help.

As we maneuver through unprecedented times, I continue to be inspired by our Girls Inc. community. **We will weather this crisis the only way we know how: STRONG, SMART & BOLD.**

Warmly,

Sonya Ulibarri
President & CEO

Available Resources



Denver Public School Meal Sites

In light of Denver Public Schools closing from Monday, March 16-Tuesday, April 7, free breakfast and lunch will be served for all kids ages 1-18 at eight locations throughout the city using a grab-and-go system.

Breakfast will be served from 8:00 am-9:00 am and lunch from 12:00 pm-1:00 pm.

School locations include:

- Abraham Lincoln High School
- Joe Shoemaker School
- Place Bridge Academy
- DCIS – Baker
- North High School
- Manual High School
- The Montbello Campus
- The Evie Dennis Campus

Rent and Utility Assistance:

Denver’s Temporary Rental and Utility Assistance program (TRUA) offers resources to residents who are facing a hardship. Learn more at: [Rental and Utility Help](#).



Internet Essentials

Comcast is offering their Internet Essentials package (normally \$9.95/month) **free** for low-income customers for 60 days.

To sign up, applicants can go to www.internetessentials.com or call 1-855-846-8376 for English and 1-855-765-6995 for Spanish.

Technology Equipment

PCs for People provides affordable computers and low-cost mobile internet to eligible community members.



Learn more at [PCs for People](#).



Mile High United Way's 2-1-1 Help Center

Mile High United Way’s 2-1-1 Help Center is a statewide community resource connecting individuals and families to critical resources including food, shelter, rental assistance, childcare, and more.

Dial 211 on any phone or learn more at: <https://unitedwaydenver.org/2-1-1>

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