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# ALEA Bridge

A 501(c)3 Non-Profit Organization  
Break the Cycle and Reverse the Trend of Homelessness

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Re: Homelessness & COVID-19

Aloha,

The COVID-19 pandemic poses a major threat to one of the most vulnerable populations – the homeless. ALEA Bridge determined it is imperative that we stay in the field to educate and monitor our clients. As such, our outreach team **will continue business as usual** while implementing proper social distancing protocol of six feet and robust hygienic practices for the safety and health of our staff and clients. We remain in constant contact with healthcare professionals and subject matter experts and agency staff will adhere to all safety guidelines issued by such organizations as the World Health Organization, the Center for Disease Control and Partners in Care. We recognize this situation is constantly changing. Thus, we remain fluid and ready to quickly change our protocol as needed.

While we understand and fully support self-isolation, many of our homeless community have no home to self-isolate and oftentimes have no access to current, up-to-date information. It remains of utmost importance that we continue our efforts in the field not only to pass on pertinent information as it arises, but to prevent panic and divert flooding of medical centers. ALEA Bridge will also need to help our homeless brothers and sisters navigate the process should they show symptoms or require testing. We strongly believe that preemptive measures and vigilance could minimize a viral spread of COVID-19 amongst our homeless population. As such, we remain steadfast on the frontlines in service to our homeless brothers and sisters amid this pandemic.

Sincerely,

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### Mission

*"Empowering people in need to achieve self-sufficiency through genuine compassion and innovative, community-based solutions."*