Our Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic

God’s Love We Deliver cooks and home-delivers delicious, medically tailored meals to New Yorkers living with severe and chronic illness. We also provide unlimited nutrition education and counseling. All meals are provided free to clients and full of love.

Cooking and home-delivering medically tailored meals to some of the most vulnerable people in NYC is more important than ever during this unprecedented COVID-19 crisis. As all of our clients are living with underlying conditions, making them the most at-risk individuals, and the majority are elderly, our home-delivered meals are critical to their well-being.

Here's How We've Responded to the Crisis

- We were deemed an Essential Services Provider
- We continued operations without disruption
- All non-essential staff transitioned to working remotely
- In the early days of the pandemic, we cooked and delivered extra high-protein soups for clients to keep in their freezers
- We delivered 310,000 shelf-stable meals
- We drove 233,000+ miles to deliver medically tailored meals
- We managed 21,000 phone calls from clients
- We are now cooking and home-delivering more than 10,000 meals each weekday
- We welcomed more than 5,600 individuals to our program
- We delivered 5,000 personal care kits which included toothbrushes, toothpaste, hand soap, body wash and deodorant
- We instituted no-contact delivery protocols and added health screenings for staff and volunteers and mask wearing for all constituents to keep clients, staff, and volunteers safe
- We reduced the number of volunteers to meet social distancing requirements, all while increasing our daily meal production

Hear from our Clients During COVID-19
Want to help?

Donate

Every $10 helps fund a meal for a neighbor in need. With demand for our services up 30% since the pandemic began, every dollar makes a difference!

Donate to our COVID-19 Emergency Fund.

Start your own fundraiser and get your friends and family in on your fundraising efforts to support God’s Love.

Join our Kitchen Table, a dedicated group of monthly donors who support our mission—so all our neighbors living with illness can be fed.

Donate Now

Volunteer

God’s Love has been deemed an Essential Service Provider in New York City and will continue working to cook, package, and deliver delicious, medically tailored meals to our neighbors living with severe and chronic illness during the COVID-19 crisis. We need your help in
so many ways:

Help us cook in the kitchen
Pack out meals in meal kit assembly
Help deliver: by walking deliveries, emergency meal deliveries, or van assisting

Sign up to Volunteer

**Become a Client**

We know fresh, healthy meals can make all the difference in the world if you or someone you love is living with a chronic or life-altering illness like cancer, Alzheimer's, renal failure, COPD, HIV/AIDS, or other serious condition. We deliver delicious meals right to your door whether you’re living with or recovering from an illness, and having trouble shopping or cooking. Our Registered Dietitian Nutritionists work with you to design your individualized meal plan. We’re here for you! *(We support healthcare providers getting meals for their partners, too)*

- Use our [Eligibility Screener](#) to see if you or your loved one qualifies for our program
- Find out if you qualify by checking our [Client Services FAQs page](#) or by emailing us at clientservices@glwd.org
- Learn more about how nutrition can support you or your loved one [here](#).
- See some of our meal options [here](#).
- Get additional resources from our Social Services Partners [here](#).
- Get food safety during COVID-19 information [here](#).

Get Meals for You or a Loved One

**Hear from our Frontline Workers**
From all of us at God’s Love We Deliver, THANK YOU for all you do to help our clients during COVID-19 and beyond.

In the News

“Organizations combating food insecurity in New York during the coronavirus,” by Ellie Spektor, April 7, 2020
“Coronavirus Crisis: How to Help those in Need,” by Layla Ilchi in WWD, April 9, 2020
“God’s Love We Deliver still providing meals despite challenges presented by coronavirus,” by Kristina Alarcon, April 10, 2020
“During COVID-19, the HIV Community is Cooking and Delivering Food to People in Need,” by Tim Murphy, May 7, 2020
“How to Help Your NYC Neighbors in Need during COVID,” by Amy Plitt in Curbed NY, May 14, 2020
“Amid a deadly pandemic, they’re still delivering food and love,” by Ellis Henican, May 15, 2020
“God’s Love We Deliver volunteer cooks up meals with a smile for shut-ins during coronavirus crisis,” by Larry McShane, May 20, 2020
WPIX-11 feature of our shelf-stable meal weekend
Thanksgiving 2020 during COVID-19
Cooking through the Crisis

The COVID-19 pandemic requires revisions to our medically tailored meal program which pose huge challenges for our program staff. For example, social distancing in kitchen volunteer shifts means fewer volunteers, but we are c...
Current and Emerging Needs in the Wake of COVID-19

Cooking and home-delivering medically tailored meals for the most vulnerable people in NYC is more important than ever during this unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic. The majority of our clients are seniors, many live alone, and...

Talking COVID-19 and Accomplishments with Charity Navigator

On Thursday, July 16, President & CEO Karen Pearl spoke with Charity Navigator Chief Relationship Officer Kevin Scally for a Facebook live around our COVID-19 response. The two discussed the ways God's Love has adap...