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To the members of CSSS' Community:

As the coronavirus (COVI-19) has had an increased impact throughout our country, state and local communities, **our first priority is the safety, health and well-being of our staff members, volunteers, and the individuals and agencies we are privileged to serve.** As of today, we are not aware that any of our staff members, volunteers, board members or clients have been diagnosed with COVID-19. We will certainly keep you updated should any new developments arise.

We are closely monitoring the rapidly changing developments and making sure we abide by the recommended safety guidelines issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the state and our local county health departments. The CDC's website addresses FAQ's, symptoms, prevention and treatment. That site is: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

We are taking all the necessary steps and precautions to prevent, contain and minimize any potential exposure to the virus that CSSS could face to protect the vulnerable population that we serve. We are ensuring that best sanitizing practices are implemented. We are confident that with good hygiene practices, like washing your hands, sanitizing common areas, social distancing and self-monitoring, will help to minimize the impact of this virus and any other flu or colds.

At this time, vision screenings for preschoolers and adults have been postponed and will be rescheduled after April 6. Our low-cost eye care program is suspended until April 6. Support Services for our clients will continue, but we are asking if medical transportation can be rescheduled to please do so. Additionally, if clients are not comfortable going out, staff is able to go to the grocery store for you.

We are discussing contingency plans to be implemented should the need arise. CSSS will continue to monitor the situation closely and will keep you informed of any changes.

Sincerely,

Shelly A. Stroble
President/CEO

