

## WHAT COVID-19 MEANS FOR TCUGM AND OUR COMMUNITY:

In the midst of the COVID-19 crisis, the Tri-City Union Gospel Mission will put safety first as we continue to help those in need.

Your generous support has allowed us to shelter, feed, and rehabilitate the hungry and homeless for years, and that won't stop now. As we deal with this new crisis, changes will be made and precautions will be implemented to preserve the health and well-being of our clients, volunteers, and staff. Many members of this community suffer from health issues or are otherwise at higher risk of contracting COVID-19. We take this very seriously and will continue to do everything we can to combat its spread; cleanliness measures have been overhauled, community activities have been suspended, and social rules have been put in place not only for our clients, but our staff.

This means that things will look a little different for a while. We would encourage you to pray for the safety of our community and neighbors, for the wisdom of our staff to navigate these trying times, and for a swift and smooth return to normalcy.

We know that through faith and perseverance we can continue to administer rescue, recovery and restoration with your help!

As we continue to get updates from Washington State we will update this page.

Though we expect this will be extended, the following changes are currently effective through April 6th, 2020:

### DONATIONS

Only financial and food donations can be accepted at this time

Financial: Donors can continue to donate by mail or online here

Food: Donors looking to drop off food can call (509) 792-1539 in advance

### IN-TAKES

For the safety of our clients and staff we are complying with mandated social distancing and therefore limiting shelter capacity

Men's Shelter: 90 residents (new intakes by referral only) (509) 792-1539

Women and Children's Shelter: 15 residents (new intakes by referral only) (509) 380-5386

### VOLUNTEERS

For the safety of our volunteers, staff, and clients, no volunteers will be permitted at TCUGM. This includes ALL facilities and areas of service

### COMMUNITY

Thursday food boxes and community give-away are cancelled until further notice