The Pandemic Challenge
Responding to COVID-19
The CDC Foundation
Who We Are, What We Do
We unleash the power of collaboration between CDC and philanthropies, organizations, corporations, governments and individuals in order to protect the health, safety and security of America and the world.

We believe that by aligning diverse interests and leveraging all parties’ unique strengths, these collaborations create greater impact than any one entity could alone.

The **CDC Foundation** is an independent nonprofit. We are also the sole entity created by Congress to mobilize philanthropy and partnerships in support of CDC’s life-saving work.
COVID-19
Impact on Rural Communities
Power of Partnerships

CDC Foundation’s response meets many needs:

- Funding medical supplies and PPE
- Increasing lab capacity
- Deploying staffing to public health agencies
- Supporting vulnerable communities
- Addressing health communication needs
- Boosting clinical research to improve outcomes
- Building capacity for global response
- And much more
Challenges for Rural Communities

• Older populations
• Health challenges—higher rates of hypertension, heart disease, obesity, etc.
• Challenged healthcare systems—fewer doctors, facilities and hospitals
• Financial stresses—furloughing staff, closing facilities
• Prisons/Food Processing Facilities/Funerals
• Lack broadband needed for telehealth
• Ongoing need for PPE for health workers
What Lies Ahead

- Funding for rural providers
- Stabilize rural hospitals and clinic infrastructure
- Ensure access to high-quality local care
- Expand telehealth services
- Access to mental health services
Together, Our Impact Is Greater.

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