

Food Donations for Staff During COVID-19

Everyone at Lurie Children's is focused not only on the safety of our patients and families, but on our front line health care providers and staff. Clinical and support team members from Nursing to Environmental Services are working tirelessly around the clock. Your interest in donating food to show your support and bring some much needed relief is greatly appreciated. Please provide a 3-day notice to schedule a delivery.

Please review our donation guidelines carefully as we will not be able to accept any food donations that do not adhere to our current Infection Control policies.

INFECTION CONTROL POLICIES

- All items must be wrapped for individual servings, ideally a complete meal in a clearly labeled box/bag.
- If you're boxing/bagging in large amounts, please label how many meals are inside for easy distribution
- We cannot accept buffet or serve-yourself meals, ie, pizza unless personal size or 2 slices per plate/box. Wrapping must be done by the restaurant during food preparation.
- Food must be donated from a restaurant/caterer/food company that is monitored by local health inspectors and has passed a health inspection in the last 12 months.
- No homemade items.
- We prefer food that does not require being heated up.
- Coffee can be in multi-serving boxes with individual packets of creamer and sugar.
- All flatware needs to be individually wrapped.
- All condiments need to be in portion control packets.

If you would like to arrange a meal delivery:

- Send an email to donations@luriechildrens.org to coordinate further
- If you would like to donate to the Emergency Department specifically, please visit giveinkind.com for instructions and available time slots.
- Let us know if you would like a tax-deductible letter from Lurie Children's Foundation.

Who will receive the donations?

Food donations are being distributed among clinical and support staff on an as needed, rotating basis. We will include areas such as Nursing, Respiratory Therapists, Environmental Services, Laboratory Services and more.

Can I donate gift cards instead of food?

Gift cards of \$10 or less for Potbelly and Dunkin' are welcome, as they are on campus and easy for staff to access. Gift card donations are especially ideal for night staff.

Can I donate meals to inpatients?

At this time, we are not accepting meals for patients

DONATION GUIDELINES

Deliveries will be made to our loading dock. Instructions will be sent to you when the donation is confirmed. We cannot accept unplanned deliveries, as we cannot guarantee staffing to accept.

Daily delivery slots are available until claimed:

BREAKFAST

7:00 a.m. or 8:00 a.m.

LUNCH

11:30 a.m.

12:00 p.m.

12:30 p.m.

1:00 p.m.

DINNER/NIGHT SHIFT

7:00 p.m.

Thank you for wanting to help!