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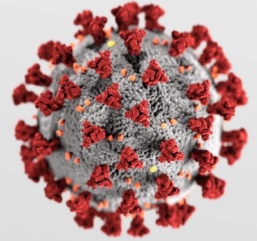
Fall 2020

COVID-19

Providing Assistance and Keeping Safe in an Uncertain World

The relief and support you made possible

- ◆ Over 70 COVID affected families received food deliveries
- ◆ 30% increase in individuals receiving aid
- ◆ 40% increase in financial assistance



"I wish Polish Assistance health and happiness and thank everyone for the assistance given to me.

Many thanks again."

Zdzislaw M.

The Polish Assistance's mission is to provide assistance, to persons of Polish origin who are at risk or in crisis due to poverty, mental or physical illness.



www.PolishAssistance.org

For over 66 years, Polish Assistance has been providing compassionate care for the elderly and needy in our Polish American Community. As an organization, we value human dignity and are committed to be an agent of positive change, hope and healing. We are resilient and your donation will enable us to continue supporting those in crisis.





In order to minimize exposure and health risk of our elderly in the community and keeping in mind health and safety of our volunteers, we created new ways to service those under our care.

By using a delivery service, we are able to deliver groceries to those who were homebound without exposing our volunteers. We continue to provide support while sheltering at home, and in emergencies, we still provide in person assistance.



Our donors and volunteers are the heart of Polish Assistance

We hope that you and your family are healthy. During this time of global crisis, the need to help one another is greater than ever. In times like these, as always, Polish Assistance has been able to respond to those who experience hardship and hopelessness because of donors and volunteers like you. Thank you! As an organization that receives no governmental funding, our accomplishments would not be possible without the generosity of our donors and community partners.

Positive Financial Impact



Polish & Slavic Federal Credit Union is an integral part of Polish American community. PSFCU supports many organizations and Polish Assistance has benefited from its generosity throughout the years. During the pandemic, Polish Assistance received support from the PSFCU Coronavirus Relief Fund as well as they assisted us in obtaining additional funding. Thank you PSFCU!

Providing food, shelter, comfort & hope to those in need



Special thanks to Aneta, Beata, Eryka, Iza and Marta for their support. And, thank you, Dr. Alexandra Stobnicki, for helping us evaluate medical records of our applicants.



Imagine facing a severe health crisis.

Imagine not being able to work.

Imagine the loss of all income.

Imagine running out of options.

Polish Assistance helps those who run out of options.



100%

of recipients of our assistance are unemployed.

40%

of them have been in the US over 30 years.



100%

of our aid recipients have serious health issues.

Including renal cell carcinoma, cancer, stroke, blindness, Parkinson's disease, amputees, etc.



40%

Live in long term safety net hospitals, transitional housing for seniors, psychiatric centers, or homeless shelters.



100%

of our aid recipients live below 2020 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services individual poverty line of \$12,760.



We've all put many things on hold as a result of the COVID-19 crisis. Don't let your health be one of them. This is a challenging time for everyone, including our aid recipients and our donors. We will continue to provide care with the most rigorous safety standards. You can help us by donating.

We are happy to report that two of Polish Assistance's Board members were affected by COVID and have recovered!

Unfortunately, we are also very saddened by the passing of Dr. Robert Campbell, K.C.S.J., dearest personal friend and one of the longest supporters of Polish Assistance.



Create a positive impact on those who need our help
Let your friends know that you support our mission
by sharing with them our website!

Learn more and donate on line at www.polishassistance.org

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Your support enable us to bring stability to these individuals by proving basic needs for housing, food and healthcare. We serve an aging population that unfortunately will not be able to achieve long-term financial stability and most will be life long recipients of our aid.

Polish Assistance: 66 years ago, a successful and philanthropic group of Americans of Polish heritage formed an organization to support World War II heroes and those, who in order to escape communism, immigrated to America from Poland. Today, a new generation of philanthropic Polish Americans is upholding the tradition of providing assistance to individuals who are at risk or in crisis due to poverty, mental or physical illness. The passage of time has caused the majority of the current aid recipients to be immigrants rather than the post-WW II political refugees.

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