



Muslim Welfare Canada

A Division of Muslim Welfare Centre of Toronto

Muslim Welfare Canada Provides Personal Protective Equipment for Scarborough's Frontline Healthcare and Community Workers

TORONTO, June 22, 2020 - Muslim Welfare Canada, a Division of Muslim Welfare Centre of Toronto is donating over \$50,000 in personal protective equipment (PPE) to hospitals, senior living and long-term care homes in the Greater Toronto Area, including the Scarborough Health Network Foundation (SHN Foundation). This donation, which includes surgical masks, N-95 masks, isolation gowns, face shields and hand sanitizers, is one of the ways MWC is helping to fight the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Now more than ever, it is critical that we all work together to protect the most vulnerable in our communities and support our frontline staff in every way possible," said Muhammad Iqbal Ali, Vice-President of Muslim Welfare Canada. "It is simply our social responsibility to do what we can - and we are happy to provide PPE to our frontline heroes so they can remain safe."

All of the PPE items are being distributed across the Scarborough Health Network, as well as to other hospitals, healthcare agencies, LTC facilities and other frontline organizations across the GTA. MWC is coordinating the first instalment to the SHN Foundation this Tuesday, June 23 at 2:30 PM at Centenary Hospital - Margaret Birch Wing.

"Seniors in our community have been most vulnerable during this time and it is so important we help the people who are taking care of them, so I want to say thanks to Muslim Welfare Canada for all you're doing. The work that you do makes it possible for us to provide a safer place for all of us," said MPP Doly Begum.

"I'd like to thank the Muslim Welfare Canada for its very generous donation of face shields and disposable gowns, we need all the help we can get." said Sheryl Mann, Executive Director of McCowan Retirement Residence.

In addition to providing PPE to our frontline responders, Muslim Welfare Canada has also continued to help the vulnerable segments of our community through the COVID-19 Emergency Food Fund, its emergency shelter for women and children in Whitby, its free medical clinics and various other initiatives. Since the initial lockdown in mid-March, MWC has served over 6,000 take-out meals at Regent Park and Malvern in Scarborough, delivered close to 9,000 meals to seniors, distributed 5,000+ food hampers to needy families across the GTA, and First Nations in Canada's north, and provided shelter to scores of homeless women and children in Durham

Region,.

To learn more about how we are helping our communities navigate through COVID-19, please visit www.mwcanada.org.

ABOUT MUSLIM WELFARE CANADA

Muslim Welfare Canada is a registered Canadian charity serving the needy regardless of race, religion or ethnicity since 1993, promoting the need to support their local neighbours - as Charity Begins At Home.

MWC offers various social service programs in Canada including food banks, meals on wheels, school nutrition programs, emergency shelters and healthcare for the uninsured. Muslim Welfare Canada also serves people of the First Nations in Inuvik, Northwest Territories and Iqaluit, Nunavut through our Arctic Food Bank.

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