Celebrating Kindness in Our Community

How Arlington Has Comes Together During COVID-19

#ArlingtonProud #WeAreArlington #ArlingtonKindness #SupportArlingtonTX



Introduction

The Reo Agency + Arlington Texas Family



The Reo Agency is a PR and marketing firm specializing in celebrating the good. We provide communications, public relations, event management and social media services for businesses and organizations.



Arlington Texas Family

(www.arlingtontexasfamily) is a new website focused on sharing the good news happening in the Arlington community for all of our Arlington families. "Carry Out A Random Act Of Kindness, With No Expectation Of Reward, Safe In The Knowledge That One Day Someone Might Do The Same For You."

Princess Diana





Arlington is known for our Can Do spirit and now more than ever we are all seeing it in action. It's always comforting to see people coming together to help in a time of need. Time after time, this is how our city comes together. We answer by rising to the challenge.

It's a little different this time, of course. While we can't all literally "come together" during the COVID-19 outbreak, our enduring spirit of people helping people is once again on full display, and we are so proud to be a part of this community.

@Visit_Arlington, we'll continue to help our community businesses and share ways that you can help, too. Because we are this industry, and we love this city. It's in our DNA. And, because we all need to have a little smile each day and we know this won't last forever, we'll try to have a little fun along the way.

We're all in this together. Whether you live in Arlington or just love our city as much as we do, we celebrate the things that make our community strong. Resilient.

Because we ARE strong. We ARE resilient. And together, we will get through this.

#WeAreArlington



Businesses Serving the Community

Mayor Promoting Our Restaurant Community



- Campaign challenged residents to photograph their curbside / delivered meals from Arlington restaurants
- Mayor donated \$25/per photo using hashtag up #MealsforaMission up to \$2500 to go to Mission Arlington
- Jim and Sue Spaniolo, former president of the UTA, matched the donation for a total of \$5000



Arlington Police Department

 Costco Donates Water for Arlington Police

Arlington PD
 Patronizes Arlington
 Restaurants and Taking
 Photos to Promote
 Restaurant Community



Thank you to the Arlington Costco for donating two pallets of water for field officers. We appreciate your generosity and helping Arlington's Finest!



Multiple Resources for Operating Restaurants



Several resources came to the rescue to provide a list of operating restaurants offering curbside, delivery and gift cards.

- Arlington CVB
- Downtown Delivers
- Arlington Texas Family

Support Arlington Restaurants

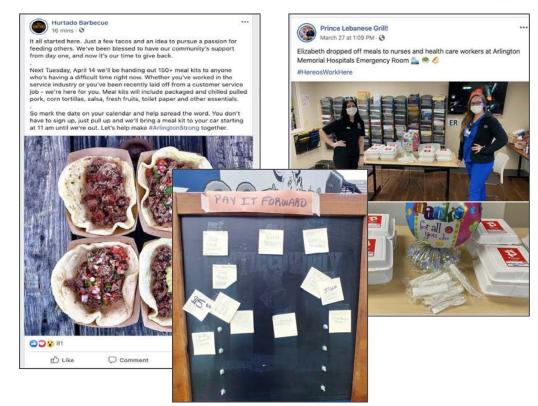
LIST OF DELIVERY, PICKUP, ETC. IN ARLINGTON



Restaurants Helping the Community



- ___
 - Prince Lebanese Grill
 Delivers Food to Arlington
 Memorial Hospital's
 Emergency Room
- BBQ 225 Pay it Forward Board
- Hurtado BBQ Feeding Community
- Many Others!



Businesses Helping Each Other

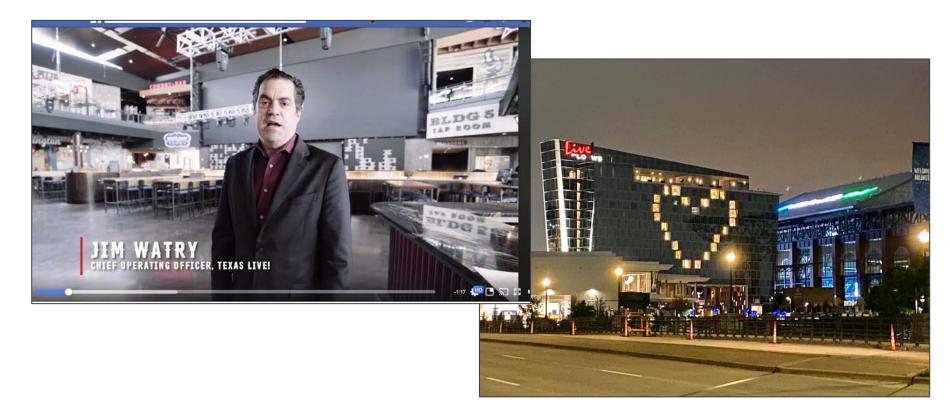
 Kroger gave a Hero Bonus increasing pay \$2/hr for workforce on the frontlines

 Founder of Oakhollow Group and its affiliated company CHS Architects, deferred payment to tenants of The Village at Forest Hills or The Village at Sports Center, or Ballpark Plaza, the Oakhollow Group



Love Goes Live





Joann Works with Customers to Sew Masks



- Arlington **JOANN** store gave out kits for customers to sew masks for the community
- JOANN is out of fabric mask kits but still providing free remnants for crafters. You will need to purchase elastic if you don't have any on hand.
- Masks went to Arlington Housing
 Authority, local shelters and nonprofits
 as well as at-risk community
 members, including first responders.



Arlington Parks x Sixty and Better



- Arlington Parks, in partnership with Sixty and Better, pivots with the pandemic to continue to provide meals to Seniors in need.
- Staff delivered 1 week supply of shelf stable food. Each senior received 2 boxes, providing 2 weeks worth of food.
- Donations / more info at: <u>https://www.sixtyandbetter.org/</u>



Feeding the Frontlines

- Nehemiah Builds is the nonprofit arm of The Nehemiah Company, part of the North Arlington's Viridian community
- Goal is to distribute 100+ meals daily to heathcare workers and first responders across Arlington.
- 100% tax-deductible donation
- Restaurants deliver the meals to staff at local hospitals, medical facilities, fire stations, and police stations
- Info:

https://nehemiahbuilds.com/nehemiah-cares/



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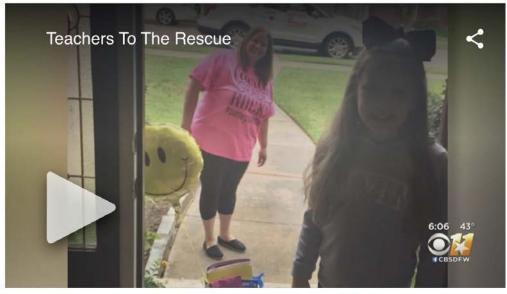
- Through April 12, Vanguard Kia team members are providing Essential Errand Running Service for Arlington senior citizens
- Grocery shopping, picking up prescriptions, etc.
- Service: 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.
 Monday through Friday within a 15-mile radius of the dealership.
- Info: 817-375-2700 for assistance.



Pantego Christian Academy Teachers



- Pantego Christian
 Academy teachers formed a sunshine caravan of sorts delivering textbooks, supplies, support and treats to students.
- Brought tears to everyone's eyes.
- Resource: <u>CBS11 Online</u>





ARLINGTON, **Texas** (**CBSDFW.COM**) — On Friday, parents who are madly multitasking got some supplies and much needed support.



Educating Our Community

Lindsay's Art Cart

- Almost overnight, Lindsay
 Wittenberg of Lindsay's Art Cart
 came to the rescue with FREE, live
 art classes for kids...went global.
- Teaching kids art and giving parents reprieve. Then parents asked for adult classes.
- Partnered with other businesses like
 Urban Alchemy and Arlington
 Museum of Art.

VIRTUAL ART LESSONS

#LACVIRTUALARTLESSONS



LESSON Faberge Easter Eggs

MATERIALS

- White Construction Paper
- Chalk Pastels
- Glue bottle
- Glitter
- Sequins and/or jewels
- Scissors
- Pencil

NOTES FROM LINDSAY

Research Faberge Eggs and look how many different desgins exist! Then create your own unique design!



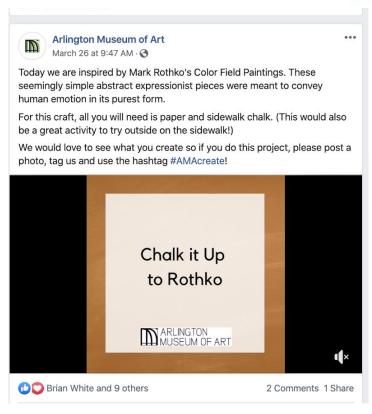
CLASS TIMES:

Mon & Fri at 10am Central on Facebook LIV

Arlington Museum of Art

- Arlington Museum of Art immediately started online Art Appreciation activities to learn about artists, techniques and history
- You can take these on your own time by logging on to Facebook





Fitness For All of Us

Several places in Arlington are providing free workouts at home online on Facebook.

- Arlington Yoga Center
- NEW Century Pilates
- Select Arlington Parks are open - keep social distancing

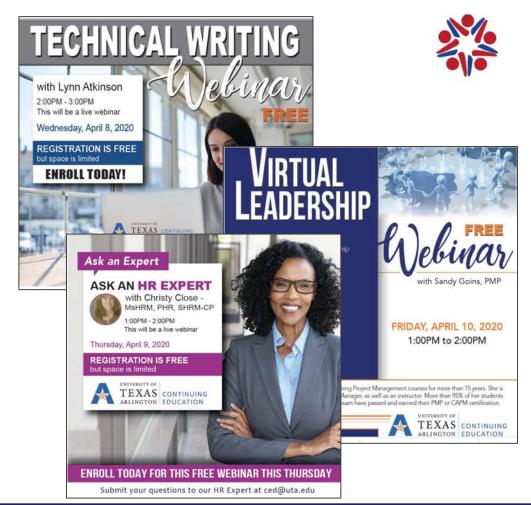






UTA Continuing Education

- With so many people at home either not working or having to look to shift careers, UTA is providing free resources through its UTA Continuing Education
- Increase skills as a technical writer, learning about Virtual Leadership and Ask an HR Expert about outstanding HR questions



Chamber Educates Business Community



- The Greater Arlington Chamber of Commerce has provided FREE daily live educational Business Leader Series through Facebook!
- Helping members as well as community to learn about how to manage their business and stay updated with current information and events
- INFO: RIGHT HERE!





Entertaining Our Community

UTA Professor Plays Live Concert



- Dan Cavanagh and UTA Music presented a live, in-home streamed jazz piano concert, and fundraiser for the UTA Emergency Student Assistance Fund, which Music Students are eligible to apply for.
- Streaming Link: https://youtu.be/m1hl6_gnrd0.
- Donations: https://giving.uta.edu/give.



Businesses Partner for Fun

- ____
- Urban Alchemy, Lindsay's Art
 Cart + On the Rocks partnered together for a "Date Night" complete with an art kit, art instruction wine / coffee and a glass all delivered for a super price \$25!
- They'll be continuing these so stay updated on their Facebook for these.





DJ Gurrl Party



- DJ Gurrl's parties held 'live' from 11 a.m. - noon, M-F on Facebook.
- She also hosts PaJAMa Parties at 9 p.m. Saturdays with laser lights collecting PB and Jelly!
- From her home, Erwin plays different genres of music live on her Facebook page for the whole family to dance along.
- Follow: https://www.facebook.com/DJGURRL/



Mom to Mom: Mom Camp Retreat



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 - This group was ready to launch a "Mom Camp" - a curated travel experience for moms right as COVID-19 also peaked.
- To create buzz as well as entertain women, you can pop on for Virtual Happy Hours, Online bingo with prizes and karaoke for free!
- Join on Facebook: Mom Camp Retreat





Neighbor to Neighbor

Spreading Love Not Germs: Unrecognized Heroes



- ____
- Share your own goods for those without / Pick up groceries / goods for senior citizens
- Order from Arlington restaurants and promote our businesses
- Donate money!
- Check out our needs >>>>
- Smile and be positive
- STAY SAFE / STAY HOME!

URGENT NEEDS		
ORGANIZATION	ITEMS NEEDED	WHERE & WHEN TO DONATE*
Arlington Charities arlingtoncharities.org	Cardboard boxes Disposable Gloves Disinfectant/sanitizer Masks	811 Secretary Dr. Arlington, Texas 76015 Monday-Friday 10 a.m12:00 p.m. Drive up service available, or en info@arlingtoncharities.org fo arrangements
Arlington Urban Ministries arlingtonurbanministries.org	Travel hand sanitizer Ponchos Canned meats Truit cups Pallets of water Sack Junch items for homeless families and individuals	701 Dugan St. Arlington, Texas 76010 Monday-Thursday 9 a.m12 p.m. Arrangements for pickup availa call 817.683-7606 or 512-947-9
Meals on Wheels mealsonwheels.org	Funding to provide additional frozen meals to clients in case volunteer delivery is suspended Volunteers	www.mealsonwheels.org.idana
Mission Arlington missionarlington.org	Bread & peanut butter by 9 goods Diapers Cleaning supplies Gloves (all sizes)	Drive through donations. 210 W. South St. Arlington, Texas 76010 7 a.m7 p.m. 7 days a week Call 817-929-5080 for specia
SafeHaven Shelter Safehaventc.org	Donations to pay for hotel vouchers Thermometers Gloves Cleaning supplies Baby formula	Safehaventc.org or mail: 1010 N. Center St. Arlington, Texas 76010

Arrangements made at all locations will be set up so donors need not leave their cars, and care will be taken by organizations to weaprotective gloves and masks.

Doing Good or Want to See Kindness?

Use one of these hashtags!

#ArlingtonProud #WeAreArlington #ArlingtonKindness #SupportArlingtonTX

Resources



- ___
 - City of Arlington COVID website: <u>www.arlingtontx.gov/coronavirus</u>
- CBS 11
- Thank you to several wonderful residents helping each other to help us track down opportunities and people doing good in the community

Need?

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