



# Ascension

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Dear Residents and Family Members,

Over the last few months, we stated many times that the safety of our residents and staff is our top priority. During this time of unrest, we remain committed to the safety of those we care for and those we serve beside.

Rest assured that our community has an emergency response plan in place, based on input from law enforcement and emergency response personnel, to help maintain the safety and welfare of residents and associates during situations of civil disturbance. Our plan takes into account the following:

- Securing our entrances and exits;
- Sufficient food, water, medical and pharmaceutical supplies;
- Secondary energy sources to maintain temperatures to protect patient health and safety and for the safe and sanitary storage of provisions;
- Alternate energy sources for emergency lighting, fire detection and alarm systems, and fire extinguishing systems;
- Sufficient personal protective (PPE) supplies; and
- Evacuation plans.

As our nation deals with injustice and civil disturbances, as a Catholic health ministry, Ascension is rooted in the loving ministry of Jesus as healer. Our actions and our words reflect our reverence for the dignity and diversity of life. We remain committed to providing compassionate care, personalized service and a safe environment to work and live in.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 716-298-2929 or [jon.hart@ascension.org](mailto:jon.hart@ascension.org).

Sincerely,

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