

Dear NCCR Red Crossers:

It's hard to believe it's May already. But in an environment defined by this devastating pandemic, it's sometimes hard to know what day it is, let alone what month we are in. But spring is a season of hope and renewal, and that's exactly what you — our regional volunteers — bring every day to so many people in our communities!

Before sharing a few Red Cross updates with you, please know that — most importantly — I hope that you and your loved ones are doing as well as is possible during these very challenging times.

Some of you have been able to continue to support our programs and services in recent weeks and months; we are so grateful for your help! Whether you have been able to continue to help or are waiting until there is more clarity around this pandemic, THANK YOU for all you have done for this organization — and for all you have done for the people we serve. Your compassion, resourcefulness, and resiliency are amazing!

As we lean into whatever our new normal is, I want to take this opportunity to remind you of the COVID-19 resources we have available for you. There is a lot of information out there on the coronavirus, and it seems to be changing daily. So please take a minute to review the stories, resources, and links that are included in this newsletter.

One of those links goes to [this post](#), which we recently published on our regional blog; it's an index of stories describing our work during this pandemic, tips on staying safe, and many other related resources. The post also includes links to these two pages on our Volunteer Connection site:

- [COVID-19 NCCR Update Page](#) (must be logged into Volunteer Connection to access)
- [Volunteer Interest Form during COVID-19](#)

I also want you to know that I have been hosting a monthly phone call for our regional volunteers. In the "Updates with Jennifer" calls, I share regional happenings, spotlight volunteer activities, and hold a Q&A session. The phone updates take place the second Wednesday of every month at 11 a.m. and again at 5 p.m. You can access the calls:

- Online through [this Microsoft Teams meeting](#)
- Or by phoning 323-553-3457 (conference ID: 107 195 028#)

We also have activated a suggestion box if you'd like to provide feedback or ask a question anonymously; just go to [NCCR Communication Station](#).

In closing, please permit me to say again just how very grateful I am for all that you do for the individuals, families, and communities the Red Cross supports. Please take good care of yourself and connect with us as you are able!

Warmly,

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