COVID-19 Preparedness Plan

St. Anthony’s is committed to serving and supporting our guests every day. Due to the risk of COVID-19 (coronavirus) contagion in San Francisco, we will be implementing some changes to the operations of our Programs in order to minimize exposure. Protecting our guests, volunteers, partners, and staff from adverse health impacts is our first priority. Based on the recent updates from the San Francisco Department of Public Health (SFDPH), Mayor London Breed’s Office, and the medical community, we have created a **COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Preparedness Plan** for St. Anthony’s which will be implemented this week.

We will continue to provide essential services to some of the most vulnerable populations in San Francisco, but in a modified format in order to proactively prevent the spread of the virus while still feeding, clothing, sheltering and caring for those who need it the most.

**Effective immediately, all individual and group volunteer shifts are cancelled for a minimum of two weeks and will be reevaluated on a week-by-week basis.**

**Effective immediately, St. Anthony’s will modify all indoor services at 121 Golden Gate Avenue until further notice:**

- **Dining Room**
  There will be no meals served indoors. Meals will be distributed from the Dining Room entrance on Jones Street and/or Golden Gate Avenue. Meals will continue to be prepared fresh daily, but will be packaged in to-go containers for guests. Each guest will be limited to one pre-packaged meal.

- **Resource Center/Social Work Center**
  No walk-in services or in-person appointments. All appointments and support will be provided via phone.

- **Free Clothing Program**
  No walk-in services or in-person appointments. Emergency shoes and clothing for guests with an immediate need will be provided. Those guests will be serviced curbside on Golden Gate Avenue. We will continue to receive and process clothing donations as usual.

- **Winter Shelter**
  Our Winter Shelter will remain open. Guests will be screened daily by Medical Clinic staff with temperature tools prior to entry and referred out if needed. No new guests will be accepted into the Shelter.

- **Hand Washing & Hand Sanitizing Stations**
  Additional hand washing and hand sanitizing stations will be placed outside of the Dining Room’s Golden Gate Avenue entrance.

- **Client Safety Services**
  The Client Safety Services team will provide support to St. Anthony’s Programs outside the 121 and 150 Golden Gate Avenue buildings (including lunch distribution and neighborhood trash clean-up). They will also continue to provide services as usual at external sites under contract.

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Effective March 12, 2020, St. Anthony’s will modify all indoor services at 150 Golden Gate Avenue until further notice:

– **Tenderloin Tech Lab**
  The Tech Lab will cease all classes and services until further notice.

– **Medical Clinic**
  The Medical Clinic will relocate to the first floor of 150 Golden Gate Avenue and ramp up to provide essential services in that new location. A negative pressure tent will be set up outside of the building as a screening station. Medical Clinic staff will screen all guests who need medical care. If the guest has a cough, but no fever, they will be required to wear a mask before entering the building and accessing medical care. If the guest does have a fever, they will not be allowed to enter the building and St. Anthony’s will follow protocols per the SFDPH and CDC to transport the guest safely to the appropriate site for testing.

Effective immediately:

– **Father Alfred Center**
  All services will continue at the Father Alfred Center for addiction recovery as usual. Staff will be trained to screen residents daily with temperature tools and follow protocol for any ill residents that need medical attention.

– **Workforce Development**
  The Workforce Development Team will continue to operate as usual until further notice.

As the COVID-19 situation evolves, we will continue to follow the guidance of local and national public health authorities. While we are adjusting the way we operate our programs, our staff will continue to provide essential services to our community as outlined above. St. Anthony’s will provide updates should further changes to our operations become necessary.