

The Village Active Lifestyle Community is part of Masonic Homes, KY Louisville Campus. Seniors age 55 and older call this campus home. I am in charge of the 10 buildings and 148 independent living apartments. Of the 148 apartments, 76 are affordable housing apartments. Affordable housing residents make at or below 60% of the average median income. The limit is \$32,100 for a single person. Most residents make much less than this amount as many have lived here for 10+ years. During this time, with limited access and resources, I have asked for donations specifically for our affordable housing residents.

During the COVID 19 pandemic, in order to protect our campus, access been restricted to essential staff and residents only. Residents are not able to grocery shop as they once did, limiting their means – both in the pantry and financially.

Because of my location, I have room to store both perishable and non-perishable foods. Perishable foods have a limit, but I have a very large area to store non-perishable items – again, specifically for our residents in affordable housing units. Thanks be to God, I have been able to secure donations for the month of April for 30 residents.

Ways to help: write cards or notes of encouragement to residents, donate non-perishable items: canned goods, canned meats, crackers, pasta and sauces, soups, etc. Toiletries and incontinence products will be a need as well. In addition, residents will need cleaning products for their apartments: laundry detergent, dish soap, softener, all-purpose cleaners. Of course, paper products are welcomed donations: toilet paper, paper towels and tissue boxes. Helping the donation sites pack the boxes and or transporting the donations to campus is a welcomed gift!