COVID-19 Community Action

This document is a public, editable resource for community action in the face of COVID-19. This includes both community organizing and volunteer initiatives, new and existing, to care for our neighbors in crisis, as well as social distance-approved activities and schedules. After all, we need each other through this uncertain time!

This resource is for you – please add on! Know of a resource for organizing your neighborhood or an existing initiative in need of support? Are you hosting an online gathering? Perhaps we're missing another category altogether? Add it here.

While we'll be adding additional resources to this list, we will not actively screen others' contributions. Please vet anything you might join appropriately. Sharehold is based in Brooklyn, NY, therefore many of the links we added may be oriented around NYC, but all locations are welcome. If you are directly involved with a resource, please consider including your email address or alternate contact info so that others may reach out with questions.

This resource was created with thought and care for you by the **Sharehold** team. Any qs? Email us at hello@sharehold.co.

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COMMUNITY ORGANIZING & VOLUNTEER INITIATIVES

Templates & Resources for Community Organizing

• How to Neighborhood Pod - Resource and outreach template for organizing neighbors to share resources and to take care of one another. This resource focuses specifically on the greater Boston community and can be replicated anywhere.

- Community Contact Sheet An easy copy/paste spreadsheet for community contact information, especially those who may be more vulnerable during this time.
- COVID-19 mutual aid & advocacy resources a large collection of templates, directories and other resources for those interested in setting up or finding local mutual aid groups and helping communities come together.
- Nextdoor Launches Help Map and Groups to Bring Neighbors Together NextDoor released a groups feature to support community organizing and a help map to mark yourself as available to help neighbors.

Existing Initiatives in Need of Volunteers

- Collective Care Is Our Best Weapon against COVID-19 Created by Cindy Milstein and Anarchist Agency, this resource a comprehensive list of mutual aid efforts and resources across the country (and globally) with links to further efforts in need of volunteers for each location.
- <u>Invisible Hands</u> Invisible Hands is organizing safe, free deliveries for NYC and New Jersey's at-risk communities (coming to other cities soon!).
- Helpful Engineering Helpful Engineering, an organization of volunteer engineers, scientists and doctors around the world, has compiled and is organizing teams for technology proposals that address the needs of front-line (mostly medical) workers fighting COVID-19.
- Food Bank for New York Food Bank for New York has resources for volunteering, donating and finding food sources during COVID-19.
- Brightest Brightest, a platform for volunteer, activism, and social impact opportunities, has compiled a list of actions, ideas, ways to help, volunteer and donation opportunities to help those impacted by COVID-19. Consider adding additional projects and opportunities here for distribution.
- <u>Crisis Text Line</u> Crisis Text Line proves free, 24/7, confidential support to people in crisis, and they are in need of more volunteer Crisis Counselors to support the requests from those impacted by COVID-19.

Other Ways to Help

- Don't Let COVID-19 Stop You from Changing the World- A collection of cause campaigns from DoSomething.org* that you can do from home.
- Get daily text messages (or emails) from GivingTuesday with prompts and ideas for how to give back virtually. Text "GivingTuesday" to 33777.
- Corona Testing Survey ClearHealthCosts, a New York startup working on price transparency for healthcare, collecting information about where to get a coronavirus (COVID-19) test and how to get one if you're sick to create an <u>easily searchable database</u> for those who are sick.
- Help Hourly Workers During The Coronavirus Crisis Journalist Yashar Ali is raising money on GoFundMe to support hourly workers.
- Flexport.org Donate to support the transportation of humanitarian aid supplies, including masks and hand sanitizer, to front line responders.

SOCIAL-DISTANCE APPROVED ACTIVITIES & SCHEDULES

As community and organizational designers, Sharehold believes that we must care for the full person, both at and beyond work, to show up to work well. We've begun by curating events that speak to our team's interests: connection, community, creativity, wellbeing, design, innovation and the future of work. Add whatever speaks to <u>you!</u>

Ongoing Activities

- Netflix Party Watch netflix with friends, including synchronized video playback and group chat
- Virtual museum tours A list curated by Travel & Leisure of museums with virtual tours
- <u>Art Basel Online Viewing Rooms</u> starting March 20th-March 25th, galleries and exhibitors who will participate in Art Basel Hong Kong can show their work to the public online
- Daily drawing classes 10am PST on weekdays, hosted by Wendy MacNaughton
- <u>Calm</u> Calm, the meditation app, has compiled free meditations to support us in an uncertain time.
- <u>Tribeca Film Festival</u> At 11am each day, Tribeca Film Festival is sharing a curated short from a festival alumni filmmaker.
- Stay at Home Fest An online music festival and events calendar
- Quarantine Chat Talk on the phone with someone else stuck at home (for iOS and Android).
- Quarantine Book Club Organized by Mule Design, Quarantine Book Club is a series of Zooms with your favorite book authors.
- COVID19 Creativity Guide- Sketchbook Skool is trying to help everyone relax and be a little more creative every day. They are releasing free daily drawing videos you can join in on through Facebook, YouTube, and Instagram.
- <u>StaySane.co</u> StaySane.co is a collection of entertainment and activities while you're in self-isolation.

Scheduled Online Events

Week of 3/16

- Thursday 3/19 Creating Connection in a Time of Physical Distancing The Grand, a haven for lifelong learners, is hosting a small group discussion on creating connection, finding community, and preventing loneliness in a time of physical distancing.
- Thursday 3/19 4AM is presenting nightly live streamed DJ sets to help get you out of the isolation-funk. Tune in on Instagram Live at 9:00pm FST tonight.
- Friday 3/20 Change @ Work Nobl is hosting a free, day-long online conference on leading in uncertain times, building resilience, and working remotely. Speakers include Mark Eckhardt, CEO of Common, Sallyanne Oettinger, Learning Design Leader/Resilience Offering Manager at IBM and more
- <u>Friday 3/20 MUD\WTR Virtual Breathwork & Meditation</u> MUD\WTR Virtual Breathwork & Meditation is hosting 1 hour of guided breathwork & meditation.
- Sunday 3/22 Singing Circle Casper ter Kuile is hosting a sing along. Bring a candle!

Week of 3/23

Week of 3/30

- Week of 3/31 2020 Skoll* World Forum Skoll World Forum Week is moving online. While official programming in Oxford is cancelled, independently-organized Ecosystem Events are going virtual. Browse the schedule to join a range of activities - new events added daily and are throughout the week!
- Tuesday 3/31 Coronavirus Conversations: How to Make an Impact will resume on Tuesday, at 6 pm. For a conversation about how to benefit and support the census during social isolation. Help ensure all New Yorkers are counted to fund public services.
- Thursday 4/2 Coronavirus Conversations: How to Make an Impact will resume on Thursday, at 6 pm. For a conversation about what businesses are doing to support communities right now. Join us for a deep dive into CSR during the crisis.
- Friday 4/3 Innovation & Idea Generation: Organizational Design Sharehold is hosting an organizational design + design thinking workshop with a client case study focused on the challenge: How might we foster a sense of belonging within our team in a time of uncertainty?

Week of 4/6

• Tuesday 4/7 - Innovation & Idea Generation: Community Design - Sharehold is hosting a community design + design thinking workshop with a client case study focused on the challenge: How might we foster a sense of belonging within our community in a time of uncertainty?

Week of 4/13

• Saturday 4/18 - Catalyst: A Workshop to Help You Cultivate Fulfilling Friendships - Kat Vellos is hosting a workshop to help you cultivate thriving, resilient, fulfilling friendships.

RESOURCES

Articles



- How to Be Together Apart In the Time of Coronavirus Priya Parker writes in the NYTimes about the opportunity presented by COVID-19 to experiment with meaningful digital gatherings.
- A Comprehensive List of Tips, Tools, and Examples for Event Organizers During the Coronavirus Outbreak - CMX compiled advice and tools from their community and conference organizers about what to do and how to keep your community engaged over the next several months.
- A Guide to Hosting Virtual Events with Zoom A how-to resource created by CreativeMorning hosts
- Managing Coronavirus in your Community Venessa Paech wrote Helpful tips on what brand communities should be doing to help you manage discussions about COVID-19 within your communities.
- How Pandemics Change History The New Yorker interviewed Frank M. Snowden, a professor emeritus of history and the history of medicine at Yale, on the larger societal impact of pandemics.
- The Coronavirus Could Cause a Social Recession The Atlantic explores how COVID-19 could spark a significant increase in loneliness and isolation.
- The Coronation Charles Eisenstein explores how the coronavirus may be the thing that helps us break our routines and patterns into new possibilities for society

Other COVID-19 Resources

- Hebrew Free Loan Society* HFLS is offering interest-free loans (no catch!) of \$2,000-\$5,000 to any NYC resident facing financial challenges related to the novel coronavirus, including lost wages, medical care, child care and more. See the JFLA for a similar program serving Los Angeles.
- How to Sew a Face Mask The Sharehold team reviewed several patterns and agreed that this was the most straightforward, yet effective, face mask pattern.
- The Awesome Foundation The Awesome Foundation supports local community projects through micro-grants, usually given out monthly, and they are currently looking to fund New Yorkers' projects that respond in a meaningful way to the current pandemic. You can apply via their site or share your recommendations by email.
- Virus Anxiety Shine created a resource for anxiety and mental health in a global climate of uncertainty.
- Freelance Artists Resource Guide for COVID19 This list is specifically designed to serve freelance artists, and those interested in supporting the independent artist community. This includes, but is not limited to, actors, designers, producers, technicians, stage managers, musicians, composers, choreographers, visual artists, filmmakers, craft artists, teaching artists, dancers, writers & playwrights, photographers, etc. What this list IS: an aggregated list of FREE resources, opportunities, and financial relief options available to artists of all disciplines. What this list IS NOT: a place to promote individual artist practices (we love you, but we're not equipped for that); a place to promote fee for service work; or a place to seek direct emergency funding.
- Qualtrics Remote Work Pulse Qualtrics has offered their Remote Work Pulse for free to understand if your organization is prepared for a remote workforce, and if your employees have what they need to succeed in this new environment
- General Assembly Community Resource Pack A list of resources crowdsourced from the General Assembly community of online activities, entertainment, fitness, financial and parenting resources.

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