



the Downstate Update

NEWSBRIEF

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Downstate UUP members on the frontline of coronavirus crisis

The photos below are from the UUP appreciation luncheon for Downstate Chapter members working tirelessly to care for COVID-19 patients. The luncheon was held March 31.

You can view more photos of Downstate UUPers by [CLICKING HERE](#).



Donnette Scipio...TH Staff Assistant Registrar covering COVID 19 Registrations in Suite A



ER Team Downstate Uraina Jones, Supervisor, Vikki Small Administrator Emergency Services and Iris Camacho ER Registrar



Natalie Baker, OPD, Redetha Abrahms-Nichols and Vikki Small, ER healthcare providers, distribute lunch boxes at the Downstate UUP Chapter appreciation luncheon.



Dr. Crystal Marquez, Dr. Eve Faber and Dr. Edward Allen, covering COVID 19 In Suite A.

A huge thank you goes out from the UUP Downstate Chapter to TIAA Financial Solutions for their donation of 20,000 N95 face masks to SUNY Downstate.

Kevin Fahy, the relationship manager at TIAA Financial Solutions, a UUP pension partner. He helped secure delivery of the masks, which our heroic members on the frontlines of the coronavirus crisis so desperately need. The masks are expected to be delivered early next week.

TIAA works to provide UUP/SUNY employees with investing, banking and retirement services and advice.

Additional information - NYC childcare for essential employees

Essential employees in New York City who need childcare for their young children can find help at Regional Enrichment Centers (RECs) run by the NYC Department of Education (DOE).

The RECs care for children from birth to age five. There are 95 center sites; 76 are in DOE school buildings and 17 are in early care centers. The centers are in every borough, with at least two sites in every school district.

The RECs are open from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Each room has a maximum of 12 children with at least one adult. The environment will be safe and supportive, and staff will be prepared to respond to children's social and emotional needs.

Essential employees should [CLICK HERE](#) to apply for childcare through the Regional Enrichment Center program. The direct link is
<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/enrollment/enrollment-help/regional-enrichment-centers>.

