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## Beachwood Mayor Announces Call-In Office Hours, Surgical-Mask Donation from City Families

**BEACHWOOD, Ohio –April 6, 2020–** Beachwood Mayor Martin S. Horwitz announced today that he will host a twice-weekly “Office Hours” conference call on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4:00 PM for residents with questions about the impact of COVID-19 on the City of Beachwood. He also announced that a consortium of 10 Chinese families living in Beachwood has donated nearly 2,000 surgical face masks for Beachwood’s first responders and high-risk residents.

### **Telephone-based ‘Office Hours’**

Mayor Horwitz invites Beachwood residents to join him for a telephone question-answer period. Thirty households may take place on a first-dial, first-served basis to 216-292-1481. Conference calls will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4:00 PM throughout the month of April.

“I’ve received many calls and emails from people asking how COVID-19 will impact city services and suggesting steps the city can take to keep residents safer during the stay-at-home mandate,” Mayor Horwitz said. “I also hear from people who are nervous about information they’re hearing on TV or from their friends. I want to help provide some peace of mind during this period of great uncertainty.”

People interested in taking part are encourage to email their questions or comments to [question@beachwoodohio.com](mailto:question@beachwoodohio.com) in advance of each call session. Highlights of each call will be posted to [www.BeachwoodOhio.com](http://www.BeachwoodOhio.com).

During the call, it will be important for everyone to mute their phones when not speaking.

### **Mask Donation by Beachwood Families**

Last week, Mayor Horwitz was approached by a consortium of Chinese families living in Beachwood who wanted to make a positive impact on Beachwood by donating hundreds of surgical masks for City use. The masks will be distributed to Beachwood’s first responders, essential employees, and residents at high-risk for COVID-19. Beachwood’s elderly or immunocompromised residents seeking masks should call 216-292-1970.

“This generous act truly defines being a good neighbor: these families are concerned about those most at risk in Beachwood and independently took steps to help save lives. I look forward to properly recognizing them when the time comes that we can all be together,” Mayor Horwitz said.

## **About the City of Beachwood, OH**

Founded as a village in 1915, the City of Beachwood was incorporated in 1960. Conveniently located along Interstate 271, Beachwood is home to nearly 12,000 residents and 2,500 companies. It was named “#1 Place to Live in Cuyahoga County” by *Cleveland Magazine* in 2017. Beachwood is well-known for its excellent city services, recreation facilities, highly rated schools, and low property taxes. Its diversity of residents is more than four times the Ohio state average. For more information about living and working in Beachwood, visit [www.BeachwoodOhio.com](http://www.BeachwoodOhio.com).

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