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Dear Friends,

Thank you for your kind gift which we have put to immediate use for our COVID-19 efforts to keep our kids safe and well. You have reached out to help our kids at Covenant House when they need it most, and I will forever be thankful.

Since the pandemic struck, we have been filled to overflowing with over 2,000 young people who have no other place to call home. We have been laser-focused on ensuring they are safe and secure. Still, like everywhere else, the virus has hit us. Some of our kids and staff have contracted COVID-19. Thankfully, as I write this, all have either recovered or are on their way to recovery.

This pandemic continues to challenge us all in ways we could not have imagined just a few short months ago. As you may have noticed, we have been slow to send this note of gratitude as our administrative staff have been working remotely since March 16 and will continue to do so for the unforeseeable future. We thank you for your patience with us. As you know, these are trying times, friend.

But I believe more than ever that this virus is no match for us. I see love everywhere. I see it inside our shelters where every day our counselors, and doctors, and nurses, and cooks and maintenance staff come to Covenant House — risking their own health and the health of their families out of love for our kids. I see it in your thoughtful gift!

Thank you for being the love in the world for our kids now, and always.

With great gratitude,

Handwritten signature of Kevin Ryan in black ink.

Kevin Ryan
President

P.S. COVID-19 is testing us today unlike anything I have ever seen in my 28 years at Covenant House. I feel so strongly about making sure every child gets the help he or she needs, that I am not going to take a salary for the rest of this year, and all throughout 2021. You have been so generous, but any gift you could send today would help immensely. Thank you for keeping our kids in your prayers. You, and those you love, are always in mine.