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Dear Asbury Methodist Village Residents,

On prior communications related to the COVID-19 pandemic, we alerted you about the availability of data on the number of positive cases of COVID-19 at each of the communities supported by Asbury. This data is available on Asbury.org/COVID19. The data gets updated regularly, but it is dependent on the availability of testing resources and the results provided by each jurisdiction, and in this case the Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services.

If you are following the website, you should have noticed changes in the number of positive cases reported in the last two updates of the COVID-19 report. The last two reports noted increases in the number of positive cases. As of this writing, only two independent living residents have tested positive for COVID-19. The remainder of the residents who have tested positive are at the Wilson Health Care Center (WHCC). Only one independent living associate has tested positive for COVID-19. The remainder of the associates who have tested positive are at WHCC.

Given the abundance of COVID-19 cases in Montgomery County and the surrounding jurisdictions, it is no surprise that despite the rigorous screening and prevention processes implemented in our community, some residents and associates within WHCC have been afflicted by the virus.

The Asbury Communities Clinical Support Team, in collaboration with the leadership of Asbury Methodist Village (AMV) and WHCC, are implementing additional care models to address the needs of all residents at WHCC and ensuring the best possible care is provided to all, regardless
of COVID-19 status. Since the beginning of this pandemic, staff have taken extraordinary steps to avoid and contain the spread of the virus.

Please be on the lookout as I host an interview this week on AVTV with Skip Margot, Vice President of Clinical Services at the Asbury Support and Collaboration Center. He and I will speak in more detail about the work at WHCC on behalf of all of its residents and associates. We will share more details about the CDC and health department infection control protocols, and other regulatory operational plans that are in place for positive WHCC residents and associates.

Please know the safety, health and well-being of those we serve is of utmost importance to all of us.

Sincerely,
Michele Potter, Executive Director