Freetown Secondary School for Girls
(FSSG) Ex-Pupils Association
New York Metropolitan Area

Hempstead Mayor Wayne Hall Delivers Medical Supplies to Fight Ebola

Mayor Wayne Hall hands over one of numerous boxes of medical supplies to Janet Ojo, (right), President of the Freetown Secondary School for Girls Ex-Pupils Association in New York (FSSG)and FSSG member Sarian Parker (left) an employee at the Village's Community Development Agency.

The medical supplies were donated to the Village's ongoing Ebola Donation Drive by North Shore-LIJ Health System and South Nassau Communities Hospital and included thousands of latex gloves, as well as medical gowns, and respirators and surgical masks. Earlier collections of items donated by residents were delivered to FSSG in October.

Mayor Hall and the Village's Board of Trustees launched the Donation Drive in

September to aid a school and health center in Africa's Sierra Leone combat the Ebola virus. Thanking Parker, who is a native of Sierra Leone and who urged him to launch the drive, the Mayor Hall said he felt 'compelled to do something to aid the thousands of people affected by the virus.'

Noting that although the story no longer headlines the news it still continues to decimate lives, the mayor encouraged residents to continue to donate to the Village Drive or to other organizations helping to fight the virus.

"It's a tragedy that so many had to die before the world decided to act," said Hall. "But there is hope. Through the provision of essential resources, including additional doctors, medical supplies and the implementation of key medical protocols, it has been shown that this virus can be stopped. It is now up to all of us to ensure that aid is delivered to the nations that are suffering so that we can stop Ebola's deadly spread."

As of November, the CDC (Centers for Disease Control) reports that over 14,413 have contracted the virus and over 5,177 have died from it. On Monday, Martin Salia, a surgeon who contracted the virus while treating patients in Sierra Leone, died in Omaha. Dr. Salia had been rushed to the United States and placed in a decontamination unit two days earlier at Nebraska Medical Center. According to the Center where he worked, Dr. Salia was not treating Ebola patients.

Max Smith

JOIN US IN THE FIGHT AGAINST EBOLA

You can donate cash to purchase supplies or donate supplies as per the list below:

- disposable plastic gloves – ALL SIZES
- masks
- disinfectant
- hand sanitizer
- soap
- disposable bed sheets for school health clinic
- Non-perishable food items e.g. RICE, OIL, POWDERED MILK, CANNED (unexpired) goods. there is now a grave shortage of food.

All SUPPLIES GO DIRECTLY TO THE STUDENTS, TEACHERS

AND HEALTH center staff

Checks should be made payable to 'FSSG EX-PUPILS ASSOCIATION' and mailed to: Janet Ojo, 41 Milburn Avenue, Hempstead, NY 11550

Supplies should be sent to:

Janet Ojo, 41 Milburn Avenue, Hempstead, NY 11550 Tel: 516-302-6104 email: aderonti@msn.com

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