

Tulane fund aims to support frontline healthcare workers during COVID-19

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The Tulane Frontline Providers Fund has provided more than 3,500 meals to frontline staff in Tulane hospitals, from nurses to doctors to custodial workers. The fund is purchasing meals exclusively from local restaurants like Saba. (Photo provided by Dr. Harris)

In this time of crisis, the Tulane University School of Medicine community has come together in an inspiring way. Tulane doctors and a dedicated group of medical students have reached out by phone to the network of School of Medicine alumni and the broader Tulane community of alumni, parents and friends asking them to

support Tulane medicine, and supporters have stepped up in a big way.

Generous donors of the Tulane family have donated more than \$90,000 to assist with childcare services, delicious and nutritious meals, and other support for Tulane healthcare workers on the front lines.

The brainchild of Dr. Kendra Harris, Chair of the Department of Radiation Oncology, the [Tulane Frontline Providers Fund: Green Wave Heroes](#) was established with the goal of raising money to support the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of our frontline healthcare team.

The fund has provided more than 3,500 meals to frontline staff in Tulane hospitals, from nurses to doctors to custodial workers. And the donations are doing double duty, because the fund is purchasing meals exclusively from local restaurants, which are also struggling during this pandemic.

The Tulane community is coming together from around the country to support the New Orleans heroes. The fund received a gift from Joseph Fouche, MD (TC '03 and R '14), a current resident of Tennessee. "Their work is greatly appreciated," he said.

In addition to Saba, other local restaurants who have been providing meals are Sarita's Grill, Little Korea BBQ, Who Dat Café, Dixie Chicken & Ribs, and Boulangerie.

The Tulane Healthcare Providers Fund is flexible enough to meet the immediate needs of the healthcare community as they arise.

Whether it is Dr. Harris taking her time to solicit support for this worthy cause, busy medical students donating their time to do what they can for their community or Tulane Medicine supporters giving back, the Tulane Medicine community is demonstrating what it means to live out Tulane's motto: "*non sibi, sed suis*," which means "Not for one's self, but for one's own."

[Click here](#) if you are interested in giving to the Tulane Healthcare Providers Fund.