

## **Classis Grand Rapids East**

### **Classis Covid-19 Response Coordination Team**

#### **Team Purpose**

To provide leadership, coordination, and support to Classis Grand Rapids East and its member churches in responding to the Covid-19 pandemic and its impact on ministry to our churches and communities.

#### **Team Mandate:**

1. Encourage each church to establish a Covid-19 Response Coordinator person or team to deal with the church's response to Covid-19 and its impact on the congregation and community.
2. Identify resources and/or refer to existing best practices for churches to draw from, relying on already established sources and tracking best practices coming from within the Classis.
3. Encourage networking and collaboration among member churches where appropriate, as well as with neighboring churches in the same parish area.
4. Network broadly with community and government entities so that coordination and use of resources are maximized and the churches of Classis are vital partners in the Covid-19 response.
5. Coordinate with national CRC and RCA responses.
6. Develop plans for varying future scenarios as the consequences of Covid-19 and the closing of non-essential businesses and services plays out.

#### **Team Composition:**

1. 2-3 key leaders from Classis, respected for their administrative abilities.
2. 1-2 key leaders from church and community provide who have experience in providing vital resources to underserved populations.
3. Diversity on the team is critical to ensuring that underserved populations are being resourced.
4. One key organizational person to serve as chair, who can give ample time and energy to facilitate team coordination and planning.

#### **Accountability**

Report regularly to the Executive Team of Classis, in collaboration with the Ministry Co-coordinators.

#### **Duration**

Initial appointment up to one year as indicated, and subject to renewal.