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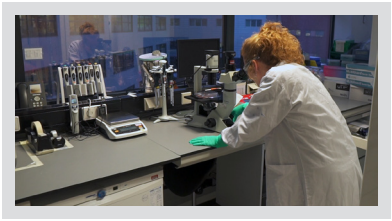
PARTNERSHIP IN ACTION: COVID-19 CRISIS

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the long-standing partnership between the biopharmaceutical industry and highly skilled union construction workers has become ever more important. The PILMA partnership's mission to create quality union construction jobs, foster innovation, and the discovery of life-saving medicines is essential in the research and development of treatments to help combat and eradicate COVID-19.



Our industry partners are working quickly and diligently to develop a treatment and vaccine for COVID-19, acting swiftly on decades-long investments in new technology, research, and treatments to help fight this deadly virus.

Our labor partners are sending in maintenance crews to critical care units, donating needed supplies such as masks, lighting, and PPE, and have opened their hiring halls for first responder staging, testing, and supply distribution. They have also been working to communicate health and safety recommendations to frontline workers that we all rely on in this time of crisis.

Together, this partnership is working to achieve one shared goal: the eradication of COVID-19, a disease caused by a novel strain of coronavirus.

LABOR AND INDUSTRY'S COMMITMENT TO BEAT COVID-19

- **Working with government agencies and diagnostic partners to increase COVID-19 testing capability and capacity.**
- **Donating essential PPE.**
- **Screening vast global libraries of medicines to identify potential treatments and clinical trials are underway to test existing therapies.**
- **Continuing to help keep the supply lines open and retrofit factories.**

- **Researching and developing new therapies and treatments for those infected with the virus.**
- **Building new testing facilities and hospital expansions.**
- **Using investments in new technologies to speed the development of safe and effective vaccines.**

RESPONDING TO THE NATION'S NEEDS

1 million surgical masks donated by Johnson&Johnson[8]

Apprentices and staff at IBEW Local 134 in Chicago **shopped for the eldery and local retirees** to help them stay home and safe[5]

NYC Carpenters are building tents at Mount Sinai South Nassau to meet the critical shortage of beds[1]

SMART Local 24 members in Southern Ohio have been **making metal nose pieces** on short notice for face masks[7]

Merck donated a **half a million masks** to support COVID-19 emergency response in NYC[2]

Eli Lilly and Company has held **drive-thru testing** at its corporate headquarters for health care professionals on the front line[6]

Astellas Pharma is providing up to **$2 million of new financial assistance** to help patients, healthcare workers and first responders[3]

North American Building Trades Union members gathered **donations of N95 respirator masks, rubber gloves, protective safety glasses, and hazard suits** to donate to frontline workers[4]

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