

The American Mining Industry Responds to the COVID-19 Health Crisis

The American mining industry is coming together to aid communities and help fight COVID-19. National Mining Association members are doing their part by providing financial assistance, educational tools and personal protective equipment. Read below about just a few of the many acts of community involvement and support from our member companies.

Alliance Coal subsidiary Matrix Design is proud to be able to support the medical community during this time of need. Through Matrix Design Group, it has been producing face shields using 3D-printing technology and providing them to medical professionals.

Bayer has donated one million products, including over-the-counter medications and multivitamins, which will be delivered directly to Americans who can't easily access them by way of partnerships with Direct Relief and Feeding America.

Caterpillar Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Caterpillar Inc., announced it is committing \$8.5 million to support global communities, including underserved populations, who are affected by the virus. The Foundation's investment will support nonprofit organizations who are working to help prevent, detect and respond to the pandemic; providing resources to hospitals, medical staff and patients; addressing food insecurity; and enabling online STEM and coding education for youth impacted by school closures.

Coeur Mining is supporting communities from the U.S. to Mexico, from Chicago to Palmarejo, in a number of ways to assist those fighting the COVID-19 pandemic, and care for those impacted by it. Its efforts have included donating hand sanitizer, masks and gloves to hospitals and non-profits; supporting the construction of a drive-through COVID-19 testing center; providing food for families and individuals who are in need; matching employee contributions to Project C.U.R.E., an organization providing support to front-line workers; and donating to shelters and food banks in its communities.

Cummins is working with Dupont to help address the current shortage of N95 masks in the United States and elsewhere around the world. The company will use preexisting filter technology in partnership with DuPont to help fill the supply void and is re-evaluating its supply base and manufacturing capabilities to identify how the company can support efforts to fight COVID-19. The project also aims to provide open source instructions that other healthcare systems and groups can use to create their own respirator masks.

The Cummins Foundation, a 501(c)(3) charitable organization that operates separately from the company, is focusing its emergency COVID-19 funding on childcare, nutrition, basic needs and remote learning assistance in communities around the world where the company has a significant presence. For example, it is issuing emergency grants to non-profits addressing the needs of families and children impacted by the COVID-19 crisis in cities where the company is a critical employer with a significant role in the prosperity of the community.

Freeport-McMoRan is a company that promotes proactive and open relationships with community, government and other stakeholders to maximize the positive impacts of its operations. The company works in the United States and around the world to support the communities in which it has operations and, during this crisis, is helping out in many ways. One example is at its Sierrita Mine in Arizona, which recently donated personal protective equipment to a local fire station.

Hecla Mining Company's charitable foundation has contributed more than \$3.4 million to communities since its establishment in 2007. Given the special needs arising from the pandemic, Hecla expects the foundation to initially contribute up to \$125,000 more than usual. An initial \$20,000 matching contribution has been made to the Southeast Alaska food bank.

Midas Gold launched Hayley's STEAM Power Hour to help parents and kids with lesson plans while they are working and schooling from home. A new lesson plan is posted on their Facebook page every afternoon.

Nevada Gold Mines, a joint venture between **Barrick** and **Newmont Corporation**, is working with the state of Nevada and its stakeholders to identify immediate needs and provide financial and logistical support to mitigate the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on its local communities.

Newmont Corporation has established a \$20 million fund to help communities, governments and employees combat the COVID-19 pandemic. The Newmont Global Community Support Fund builds upon other local contributions and efforts the Company has implemented over the last month. Newmont will partner with local governments, medical institutions, charities and non-governmental organizations to target funds towards addressing the greatest needs with a view to serving as a catalyst for long-term resiliency and future community development.

Peabody believes that not only its products, but its people, are key to a better business and a better society. In line with this belief, the company is actively supporting the communities in which it works and has donated personal protective equipment to local healthcare providers.

Rio Tinto is supporting impacted communities in the U.S. and around the world. Its support has ranged from monetary to the donation of personal protective equipment, including the donation of safety masks and glasses to those on the front lines of efforts to combat this epidemic.

Twin Metals Minnesota is supporting local organizations and nonprofits to aid with COVID-19 relief efforts. Contributions have included: \$10,000 to United Way of Northeast Minnesota; \$5,000 to the Ely Food Shelf; \$1,500 to Ruby's Pantry in Babbitt to distribute food gift cards; and \$5,000 to the Babbitt Ambulance to help fund critical items that are needed and in anticipation of increased calls.

Usibelli Coal Mine is offering a range of support to its local communities, donating N95 masks to Fairbanks hospital, eye protection to the Tri-Valley Volunteer Fire Department, delivering meals to senior citizens, and providing meals for both health care workers and volunteers.