**Email as initial communication**

Hello! My name is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and I am District # \_\_\_\_ Board of Trustee of the VFW National Home for Children.

I hope you are all safe, healthy, and secure in the midst of this pandemic. As we all know, the impacts of COVID-19 are being felt by everyone, some more than others. Despite the challenges we are all facing, the National Home remains committed to providing quality services and resources to our veterans and their families.

As a non-profit 100% privately funded entity, largely supported by VFW fundraisers throughout the country, we are concerned about the impact the pandemic will have on our ability to provide services to our families living on campus. It is no secret that we would be unable to assist any of our veterans or their families without your support in prayers and funding.

Please help the VFW National Home for Children to continue serving their mission by donating to the Family Support Services Fund. These donations will directly support the families that we serve, supporting programming costs incurred helping the military and veteran families meet their individual and family goals.

Thank you for your support!

I’m happy to share a message of gratitude from one of our residents:

Without your generosity, we were not sure how we were going to survive the current pandemic situation. Prior to pandemic, my family and I were financially struggling, living pay check to pay check with a newborn. As the bills started to pile up I started to give up. It wasn’t until I met someone who told me about the VFW National Home. I had no clue what the VFW National Home did and was very surprised when I found out what they do for families. I filled out the application, we went to several interviews and were accepted in to the program. Nothing like this has ever happened to me and was in shock and awe.

*-National Home Resident.*