

Coronavirus update

- We are frontline employees necessary to operate the rail public transportation system, we are out here risking our health and that of our family members to do our jobs, we (your GCA/LCA and Local officers) recognize that, are out here with you, and appreciate what you do. From the bottom of our hearts **THANK YOU**, keep up the extraordinary work.
- If you or a direct family member have any underlying health issues that would make you or a family member in the high risk group of serious hazards from the COVID 19 Virus **MARK OFF** immediately, call your doctor (or family members doctor) document such, and follow the instructions on our web page or call an officer. Please do not risk anyone's life.
- Our GC is ever present in NJ Transit headquarters and sharing our concerns with every level of management, he is constantly keeping the GCA and officers updated. Also, while answering calls from membership.
- As we receive information, we are constantly updating our local 60 sites utulocal60.com or <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1574935829417541/> (this is a private Facebook page and you will need to be invited in) check there often. Immediately important updates will be sent via our text alert to sign up text "SMARTTD60" to 313131 along with your name and employee number.
- There is no plan on terminating service, or job cuts by the carrier shared with the organization, rest assured your GCA is stating the case for continued uninterrupted service, while protecting earnings and all jobs.
- We need to stand together, we are only as strong as our weakest link, please do not spread false information call an officer for accurate information, do not take more supplies provided by the carrier than you need for the day, there are your brothers and sisters who are going with none. Mark off if you are showing symptoms and immediately contact a medical professional. Please do not spread the virus. We will look back on this time and be proud we stuck together and protected our fellow members. Again, we need to stand together, we are only as strong as our weakest link.
- The Organization has made it a point to address the proper cleaning, and disinfecting of the trains. Trains should always be properly cleaned and disinfected. Today's climate allows no excuses for this not to happen, the concerns brought to the attention of the Task Force were: 1. Are the Coach Cleaners trained properly to clean and disinfect equipment. 2. Are the Coach Cleaners given proper PPE. 3. Are the Coach Cleaners short staffed? 4. Is the proper instructions/information regarding cleaning/sanitizing of trains being disseminated from Upper Management to the Frontline employees?
- Report issues directly to your supervisor, the mechanical desk and the ACD. Although the Coach Cleaners are not part of our Union their health and safety are of the utmost importance as well.
- Carry an ample supply of hard surface sanitizing wipes to clean the areas you are working, do not touch anything that you have not personally cleaned, use hand sanitizer frequently and wash your hands thoroughly when the opportunity comes up. Avoid any contact with passengers including cash transactions, ticket collection (have them hold it out for you to punch) or do not collect if you suspect any irregularities.
- Officers contact information is posted on our local 60 site call or text us, we will answer everyone, and someone will get back to you if we are unavailable at that time (leave a message). Please avoid redundant conversations as you can imagine we are busy and it's discouraging when we talk to each other, (which we do frequently) and find that one member called multiple officers with the same issue.
- Check local 60 site for service or reporting advisories, this will change frequently.
- There are no stupid questions, ask anyway, we want you to have accurate information
- Be safe and protect yourself, medical or susceptibility questions need to be asked to your physician we can't and will not answer those.
- Again, thank you. And we **WILL** look back on these trying times, reflect and be proud of our actions.