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**Press Release:**

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## **Actor Matthew McConaughey, Wife Camila, Lead Donation of 25,000 Surgical Masks For UMC**

**EL PASO, Texas** – University Medical Center of El Paso is the recipient of **25,000 surgical masks**, through Actor Matthew McConaughey and his wife, model Camila McConaughey, on behalf of Lincoln. The McConaugheys are on a road trip delivering more than 125,000 face masks to select hospitals across Texas. UMC’s masks arrived Monday, via United Parcel Service.

The masks will be put to immediate use at UMC, where many of El Paso’s COVID-19 patients are recovering and being cared for. “All of us at UMC are grateful to Matthew, Camila and Lincoln for this generous donation,” said Jacob Cintron, President & CEO. “Masks are vital to reducing the potential spread of infectious disease. At this unprecedented time in our history, knowing that so many people from across our state and nation are finding ways to support our healthcare community and the patients we care for, we are all heartened and strengthened in this journey. On behalf of all of us at UMC and our El Paso community, thank you.”



Matthew and Camila make a delivery of masks, courtesy of the McConaugheys and Lincoln Ford, at another Texas hospital. They did not make the trip to El Paso.



**Another 20,000 masks will also be distributed to the El Paso County Medical Society.** "Thank you, so much, Matthew, Camila, and Lincoln Ford for your generous donation to the physicians of El Paso," said Dr. Alison Days, President, El Paso County Medical Society. "We feel honored to be one of the cities chosen for this donation."

The masks will be donated through the UMC Foundation, a separate 501(c)(3) organization that manages all major donations to the hospital. “This donation of surgical masks to the hospital, through UMC Foundation, is a milestone of generosity to the El Paso community,” said Estela Casas, UMC Foundation Executive Director. “We, too, are grateful to Matthew, Camila and Lincoln for their kindness and thoughtfulness, at a time when it is needed most.”



Matthew and Camila McConaughey are both very active on social media and have been logging their journey of donations to fight the novel coronavirus COVID-19. “If you can, please go to Facebook and Instagram and thank them at @officiallymconaughey, @camilamconaughey, @iamcamilaalves, @torchnet, or @lincolnmotorco,” said Jacob. “I am sure they would love to hear from people and patients in our community who will benefit most from their generosity.”

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