

History will remember when the world stopped
And the flights stayed on the ground.
And the cars parked in the street.
And the trains didn't run.
History will remember when the schools closed
And the children stayed indoors

And the **medical staff walked towards the fire**
And they **didn't run**.

History will remember when the people sang
On their balconies, in isolation
But so very much together
In courage and song.
History will remember when the people fought
For their old and their weak
Protected the vulnerable
By doing nothing at all.
History will remember when the virus left

And the houses opened
And the people came out
And hugged and kissed
And started again
Kinder than before.

A Poem by Donna Ashworth
- **Jenny Palmer**

Thank you for your **dedication** to serving patients during this
incredibly stressful time. You are amazing all the time and really over
the top amazing right now. Keeping you all in my thoughts!
- **Elizabeth Maguire**

Thank you for all that you are doing in this time of crisis. Thank you for
the **sacrifices** you are making every day to help the VA, and patients.
We so appreciate you!
- **Kelly Stolzmann**

I can only imagine how stressful the current situation is for clinicians.
We are so grateful for your work with Veterans. CHOIR is here to
support you and will take up the slack on the research side as you
shift your attentions to the clinical world.
- **Barbara Bokhour**

I am so **grateful** for your service
to Veterans and those who are
most in need, in these times and
always!
-**Bo Kim**

You are all **amazing**! Thank you for putting everyone's health
and safety first, and still managing to pursue our research goals.
Please remember to take care of yourself during this stressful
time. You are needed, you are appreciated, and it's an honor to
work with all of you.
- **Zoe MacLaren**

Thanks to CHOIR clinician researchers for your **courage** and
compassion in sustaining the health and self-confidence of
your Veteran patients.
- **Lynn Garvin**

Thank you CHOIR clinician-researchers for all you are doing to
help our Veterans – and our broader community – during this
crisis. I am grateful for your willingness to put your own safety
and well-being on the line to serve others. I am also grateful for
your **leadership and expertise** as you help us all to
navigate these distressing times. I wish there was more we
could do to support your efforts. Thank you!
- **Heather Davila**

Unflappable colleagues are overwhelmed. Others “terrified: and
“frustrated.” I’m feeling **awe**, grateful, and left not knowing how
to help. A tremendous THANK YOU to our frontline colleagues
who are truly frontline.
- **Gemmae M. Fix**

A **tremendous thanks** for all that you do on the frontiers
of research and the frontlines of health services during these
uncertain and unprecedented times!
- **Terri Pogoda**

Thanks for everything you are doing and will do to care for our
Veterans. VA is truly being called on to pay back just a little of
what American Veterans have given all Americans, and you, our
clinician colleagues, are shouldering much of that pay
back. Thanks for all you are doing. Know that we **have your**
backs!
- **Karen Quigley**
We're so lucky to have such amazing and dedicated clinicians
heroes among us. Thank you for your unrelentless bravery.
Know we are here to support you!
- **Jenny Sullivan**

We're all in this together

You rock, CHOIR clinician
researchers. I was
impressed with you
before but now I am in awe
and grateful.
- **Deborah Gurewich**

Our amazing clinician researchers in the CHOIR community are
truly heroes in combating COVID-19. I say BIG THANK YOU to
all of you because you work so hard and have done so much to
keep veterans and the community healthy. You are **the**
best!
- **Libin Zhang**

I'm especially grateful for Westyn Branch-Elliman. I'm aware
of the **extraordinary** work she's doing at the front lines of
clinical care, and it's terrific what she's contributing.
- **Allen L. Gifford**



A special thanks to our physical
health providers: they are the
tip of the spear in this war.
- **Christopher Miller**