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**Navajo Nation receives 30,000 liters of
bottled water to help COVID-19 response efforts**



PHOTO: Swire Coca-Cola delivers over 30,000 liters of bottled water to help fight COVID-19 on the Navajo Nation in Window Rock, Ariz. on April 22, 2020.

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. — The Navajo Nation received 30,000 liters of bottled water from Swire Coca-Cola, in coordination with the Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs (DEMA) and the Navajo Nation Office of the President and Vice President.

Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez was on hand as two semi-trucks arrived in the capital of the Navajo Nation on Wednesday, to deliver over 2,500 bottles of water that will help first responders and health care workers on the frontlines, and Navajo citizens in need during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

“We are very thankful to Swire Coca-Cola, the Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs, Arizona Governor Doug Ducey’s office, and our very own Coca-Cola distribution center in Chinle for initiating the water donation to help many of our Diné people. It’s through great

partnerships such as this, that we will overcome COVID-19. We are stronger and more resilient when we unite and work together,” said President Nez.

“Arizona is working with our tribal, federal and private partners to ensure the health and safety of all communities,” said Governor Ducey. “We are grateful for this shipment from Swire Coca-Cola to our neighbors in the Navajo Nation. My thanks to Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez, Swire Coca-Cola and everyone working to provide assistance to those in need during the COVID-19 health emergency.”

Swire Coca-Cola Sales Center Manager Lionel Bryant, who manages the Coca-Cola distribution site in Chinle, Ariz., was also on site to help with the delivery. Bryant, a member of the Navajo Nation, was also instrumental in facilitating the contribution to the Nation.

“We are proud that we have our very own people stepping up, recognizing the needs of our communities, and helping to coordinate such great partnerships. Thank you to Gov. Ducey, Swire Coca-Cola, and everyone who played a role. The water will be of great assistance to many of our people, including those fighting on the frontlines,” Vice President Lizer stated.

“Swire Coca-Cola is proud to be in a position to support the communities we serve in good times and in tough ones. We join our partners at Coca-Cola Durango in support of the Navajo Nation. More than anything, we thank everyone out there who feed us, care for us and keep us safe. Together we can unite for a common good and inspire each other. We look forward to the day when we can come together again,” said Roger White, Division Vice President Northern Arizona, Swire Coca-Cola, USA.

On April 16, Durango Coca-Cola delivered over 13,000 liters of water to Sheep Springs, N.M. to support the Navajo people in the community as well.

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