

# How Will Work Work Now? COVID-19, the 6-foot office and heightened consumer hygiene/sanitation concerns.

**Job #1:** Implementing safe social distancing and proper hygiene practices building-wide is imperative to reassuring anxious employees returning to work.

# The "new normal", by the numbers:

- 73% of employees are concerned about illness spreading in their office.
- 47% of employees are concerned that their office building will not take adequate steps to ensure a hygienic work environment.<sup>1</sup>
- Remote working will likely increase, which may reduce occupancy and impact PM's and BSC's bottom line.
- When someone brings a virus to the office, ≈50% of commonly touched surfaces become infected by noon, according to University of Arizona.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>GP PRO Proprietary Research: PRO-20-4515, 2020.

<sup>2</sup>University of Arizona study https://uanews.arizona.edu/story/germs-spread-fast-at-work-study-finds



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### **BUSINESS IMPACT**

# **Lost Productivity, Tenants and Revenue:**

What's at stake if you don't amp up office sanitizing/disinfecting?

#### For Occupants:

• For a 2000-person office, that amounts to ~\$1MM. If you can help keep your employees productive and well, can you really put a price on an investment in enhanced cleaning, sanitation and disinfecting?<sup>3</sup>

### **For Property Managers:**

- Loss in Rent: national average is ~\$30/sq.ft. (Class A buildings) and ~\$20/sq.ft.<sup>4</sup> (Class B buildings)
- Marketing cost: can amount to almost ~\$1/sq.ft.5
- Leasing commissions: brokerage fees for a new 7-year lease are 6%, and are set at 4% for renewal.<sup>5</sup>
- **Tenant improvement allowances:** ranges from \$30-50+/sq.ft., depending on type of office build-out.<sup>5</sup>
- Admin. & cleaning: rental contract processing and upkeep/repair costs before property can be re-leased.

#### For Building Service Contractors:

- **Staff safety and absenteeism:** Since custodians are more exposed to germs, they have a higher likelihood of missing work.<sup>6</sup>
- **Cross-contamination risk:** High-contact surfaces and germ hotspots like restroom door handles, desks and exposed bulk cutlery in break rooms can elevate germ spread.<sup>6</sup>





<sup>3</sup>GP PRO Proprietary research PRO-20-4515, 2020. <sup>4</sup>Source: Costar.

 $^5\text{GP}$  PRO POV based on expert calls with Property managers.  $^6\text{GP}$  PRO Proprietary research with Property managers and Building Service contractors, 2020



#### **OPPORTUNITIES AHEAD**

# You Need Solutions. GP PRO Can Help.

From restrooms to break rooms, common areas to lobbies, our systems give you a holistic advantage when it comes to proper hygiene.

# **Enclosed and Touchless Dispenser Systems: Restroom, Break Room Cafeteria and Lobby**



### Your hygiene advantage:

- Enclosed, touchless systems help prevent cross-contamination and reduce touchpoints.
- Paper towels can ensure more efficient hand drying than air dryers.
- Pre-packaged cutlery refills minimize touchpoints for loading.
- Intuitive design and efficient rolls make towel and napkin dispenser refills easy.

# Soap and Sanitizer Systems Building-Wide: Restroom, Lobby, Break Room and Cafeteria



### Your hygiene advantage:

- Well-placed hand hygiene systems can encourage increased hand washing/sanitizing.
- High-capacity systems with controlled output can help minimize change-outs.
- Foam sanitizer that kills 99.99% of common germs aligns with CDC guidelines for hygiene protocol.

# Single-Use Disposables to Help Reduce Cross-Contamination: Break Room and Cafeteria



### Your hygiene advantage:

- Disposable plates, cups and utensils (vs. permanent-ware) can help prevent cross-contamination and minimize personal contact.
- Disposable cleaning towels, roll towels and sanitizing wipes can more effectively reduce germ spread than reusable rags.



# One Source, Countless Benefits

PMs and BSCs looking to save time and money, and reduce complexity, can consolidate solutions with GP PRO:

- One source for sales support
- One common look
- One key for all dispensers
- One installation process

# **Support for Success**

As you take next steps, we encourage you to reference one of these useful guides to assist in your planning:

- Guidance on Preparing Workplaces for COVID-19 (OSHA/CDC)
- Office Hygiene Checklist (GP PRO)

Here's to helping you develop a safer, more hygienic operation! Please contact your GP PRO representative for additional support and assistance.





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