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Cloth Mask Donations

Wichita Falls, Texas – In accordance with the new Live Safe – Work Safe order, all individuals, ages six (6) and older shall wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth when indoors in public places or while using public transportation. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), cloth face coverings help slow the spread of the virus and help people who may have the virus and do not know it, from transmitting the virus to others.

The Wichita Falls – Wichita County Public Health District has received several inquiries regarding how people can donate cloth masks. In an effort to assist and coordinate this, The Health District, local Emergency Management Coordinators and the Wichita Falls Fire Department have made arrangements for the receipt and distribution of cloth face coverings. Donations can be dropped off in the designated unmanned tub at any of the following Fire Stations, Monday through Friday, from 8:00am to 5:00pm. The Health District will release further information early next week as to the distribution process for the masks. Residents who are looking for a mask can call the Health District Hotline at 940-761-7909.

How to prepare and drop-off mask donations:

- Do NOT make cloth face coverings if you or a family member has symptoms of COVID-19 or other viral respiratory illnesses.
- Do NOT try the cloth face coverings on when making them, or after they are finished.
- Wash and dry (in a heated dryer) the cloth face coverings before dropping off donations.
- After laundering and drying, place directly into a large baggie (such as Ziploc) and seal while still hot/warm.
- Wipe down the outside of the plastic bag with a disinfectant/wipe.
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- Drop the donation off at any one of the designated locations in the unmanned tub, and maintain social distancing.

Donation Locations:

- Station #1 – 1005 Bluff Street
- Station #2 – 425 Bonner Street
- Station #3 – 3800 Brewster Street
- Station #4 – 5512 Castle Road
- Station #5 – 506 Beverly Road
- Station #6 – 4912 Johnson Road
- Station #7 – 2800 City View Drive
- Station #8 – 2000 Southwest Parkway

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