

Samaritan Healthcare Is Currently Accepting Donations of Personal Protective Equipment

Samaritan Healthcare is incredibly grateful to our community for their support of healthcare workers during the national COVID-19 pandemic. For those in our community who are interested in creating facemasks during this time, we invite you to follow the simple instructions listed below or watch the tutorial video highlighted below.

If you plan to create and donate masks or other protective gear, please contact the following:

For information related to donation drop-off, please contact:

Samaritan Healthcare Materials Dept.

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Guidelines for Making Personal Protective Equipment |

- All fabric should consist of 100% cotton
- Highest needs at this time: facemasks and gowns

Supplies & Sizing Information |

- Supplies Needed:
 - 100% cotton material is best
 - Cotton flannel backing is most comfortable for wear
 - For patterns – some female, some masculine
 - Rope elastic: beading cord elastic will work (you may also use 1/8" flat elastic)
 - Cut the elastic 7" long and tie a knot at each end (DO NOT knot the ends of the flat elastic)
 - Standard Sizes:
 - Adult: 9x6
 - Child: 7.5x5

Instructions on How to Create a Mask |

1. Put right sides of cotton fabric together. Cut 9x6 (adult) or 7.5x5 (child).
2. Starting at the center of the bottom edge, sew to the first corner, stop. Sew the elastic with the knot out into the corner. A few stitches forward and back will hold this.
3. Sew to the next corner, stop, and bring the other end of that same elastic to the corner and sew a few stitches forward and back.
4. Now sew across the top of the mask to the next corner. Again put an elastic strap with the knot out.
5. Sew to the next corner and sew in the other end of the same elastic.
6. Sew across the bottom, leaving about 1.5" to 2" open. Stop, cut the thread. Turn inside out.
7. Pin 3 tucks on each side of the mask. Make sure the tucks are all placed in the same direction.
8. Sew around the edge of the mask twice.

Please ensure any fabric design is positioned horizontally.

To see a video tutorial of how to make a facemask visit: <https://youtu.be/8Hon3XuHKv0>

Upon collection of donation, Samaritan Healthcare will launder all masks prior to distribution to staff, patients and visitors.

For questions related to material selection, or mask instructions, please contact 793-9615.