

ELGIN COUNTY PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE) DONATIONS

Together, we can protect each other and save lives. Our frontline healthcare providers need your help!

In responsive to the COVID-19 pandemic, Southwestern Public Health has launched a local Health Systems Emergency Operation Centre (HS EOC), bringing together partners in the community to ensure a proactive, coordinated and inclusive approach to managing emergencies related to COVID-19, reducing risks, and promoting safe, secure and disaster resilient communities in our region.

As part of that response, our local team can receive and distribute donated PPE to eligible providers in Elgin County. This strategy builds upon calls to the public for donations of important supplies and equipment to fight COVID-19 in support of our frontline staff at St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital (www.STEGH.on.ca) and throughout our communities.

Please consider helping our communities in Elgin County in the fight against COVID-19.

Thank you in advance for any supplies that you may be able to donate.

Stay safe and healthy!

<p>CURRENT PPE NEEDS: ELGIN COUNTY</p> <p>NOTE: <i>Unopened/unused medical supplies in their original packages are preferred for the health and safety of everyone.</i></p> <p><i>Cash donations can also be accepted on behalf of the HS EOC, Elgin group via the Elgin-St.Thomas Community Foundation's COVID-19 Response Fund: https://escf.fcsuite.com/erp/donate/create?funit_id=1220. Charitable tax receipts will be issued for all gifts over \$20.</i></p>	<p>Medical Supplies, such as, but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eye goggles/protective eye glasses • Face Shields • N95 masks • Surgical/Procedural Face Masks • Disposable isolation gowns • Latex-free gloves • Hand sanitizer • Cleaning agents and disinfectant wipes 	<p>Handmade Items, such as, but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cloth face masks • Face Shields • 3D printed mask clips • Scrub caps • Bandanas • Cloth gowns <p>For mask, headband, gown, scrub cap, and 3D mask clip patterns, please visit our website: https://www.sewstrong.ca/</p>
<p>HOW TO DONATE: PPE MEDICAL SUPPLIES OR HANDMADE ITEMS</p>	<p>Option 1: Drop-Off You can drop-off your donation of PPE medical supplies or handmade items to a central depot at the following location:</p> <p>Ross St. Coin Laundry, 71 Ross Street, St. Thomas, ON Between Monday and Friday, 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Option 2: Pick-Up To arrange for the pick-up of donations or for any other inquiries, please email to stthomassewstrong@gmail.com and provide the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Your full name and email address • Quantity & type of donated PPE items
<p>HOW TO ACCESS DONATED PPE MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND HANDMADE ITEMS</p>	<p>Donated Medical Supplies To access donated medical supplies: Contact us via email:</p>	<p>Handmade PPE Items To access donated handmade PPE items: Visit our website: https://www.sewstrong.ca/</p>

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<p>HOW CAN I HELP</p>	<p>#SewStrong St. Thomas Elgin Needs You!</p> <p>The St. Thomas & District Chamber of Commerce and 94.1 myFM are proud to partner on #SewStrong St. Thomas Elgin, a campaign to connect our community's PPE efforts to our most pressing local needs.</p> <p>FOR MORE INFORMATION</p> <p>Visit our website: https://www.sewstrong.ca/ or,</p> <p>Contact: Paul Jenkins at 519-200-1232</p>	