District Health Department No. 4 is Working with Local Volunteers and Organizations to Collect and Distribute Face Coverings

District Health Department No. 4 (DHD4) is working with The Salvation Army in Alpena and Cheboygan and Presque Isle Councils on Aging to collect and distribute homemade face coverings for local essential service workers and area residents. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), individuals should cover their mouth and nose with a face covering when going out in public, in addition to practicing social distancing.

In an attempt to help essential service workers, along with area residents abide by the CDC’s recommendations, these agencies are reaching out to those in the community who are making, or have made, homemade face coverings and asking them to consider donating the face coverings for distribution in Alpena, Cheboygan and Presque Isle Counties.

Denise Bryan, Health Officer for DHD4 states “At times such as these we must all lean on each other and help in any way possible to combat the spread of COVID-19. By making and donating face coverings, we can take steps to help flatten the curve.”

If you are interested in donating face coverings or want to make a request to get one, please contact The Alpena Salvation Army 989-358-2769; Cheboygan County Council on Aging (231)-627-7234 or the Presque Isle Council on Aging (989)-733-2559 to arrange a drop off time or pick up time. For more information on face coverings, including when to wear and how to make, visit the “How to Protect Yourself” page of the CDC’s website at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus.

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