



## Cloth Face Coverings

Homemade cloth face coverings that are made from household items or common materials can be used as an additional, voluntary public health measure against COVID-19. The CDC advises the use of a simple cloth mask to slow the spread of the virus and help people who may have the virus (and do not know it) from transmitting it to others.

### Cloth Face Coverings Should:

- Be worn in social settings where social distancing is difficult (grocery stores, pharmacies, etc.)
- Fit snugly but comfortably against the side of the face
- Be secured with ties or ear loops
- Include multiple layers of fabric
- Allow for breathing without restriction
- Be laundered and machine dried without damage or change to shape (daily or after each use)

Here is a link for cloth face mask patterns: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html>

### Face Masks Should NOT Be Used:

- Children under 2
- Anyone who has trouble breathing
- On unconscious or incapacitated individuals who would otherwise not be able to remove the mask without assistance

### Please Note:

Cloth masks are **NOT** surgical masks or N-95 respirators. Those are critical supplies that must continue to be reserved for healthcare workers and other medical first responders. Cloth masks are **NOT** guaranteed to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and **SHOULD NOT** be used in place of social distancing or good hygiene.

**\*\*Clark County Agencies are NOT cloth mask drop-off or distribution sites\*\***

