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Personal protective equipment, toilet paper donations sought

March 23, 2020 – Medical offices and individuals that have personal protective equipment (PPE) – or spare toilet paper – are asked to donate those items at a drive-through collection site on Wednesday and Thursday at Rymfire Elementary School.

Specifically, the personal protective equipment most needed for first responders, assisted living facilities, and public healthcare professionals are facemasks, gloves, and isolation/procedure gowns. Toilet paper is being collected for those most in need.

“We are doing everything we can to keep our residents healthy and safe – this includes taking care of our first responders,” said Emergency Management Director Jonathan Lord. “Toilet paper keeps flying off the shelves, and we have a need to get some to our most vulnerable community members. They need to stay home – not going out to the store daily in search of toilet paper.”

Drop off times are from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 5 to 7 p.m. on both Wednesday and Thursday. Rymfire Elementary is located at 1425 Rymfire Drive at Royal Palm Parkway.

Questions should be directed to Flagler Volunteer Services at 386-416-7922.

The CDC guidelines stipulate that all gatherings should be limited to 10 people or fewer, and 6 feet of distance should be maintained.

Officials urge all residents and businesses to follow Florida Department of Health and CDC guidance, to include:

- Washing your hands often
- Stay home when possible
- Avoiding close contact with people who are sick
Additionally, those who are sick and/or told to self-isolate should: remain at home unless seeking medical care, cover coughs and sneezes, wear a facemask around others, and disinfect touched surfaces daily.

Anyone with government services questions should call Flagler County’s main telephone line to get further clarification, 386-313-4000.

All COVID-19 related questions should be directed to the hotline, 866-779-6121.

Check for current information on Flagler County’s website www.flaglercounty.org, and follow “Flagler County Government” or “Flagler County Emergency Management” on Social Media. The county’s social media team will provide updates through these official accounts:

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