



## DIY Mask Requirements

Thank you for helping to keep Mission staff and guests safe during the COVID-19 crisis. The Mission currently needs cloth masks due to the marketplace shortage of N95, KN95, and surgical masks. Please follow the guidelines below in order provide the best protection for staff and guests.

The CDC indicates that materials from items like bandannas and t-shirts help keep COVID-19 from passing from one person to another and other experts indicate that other household items can also do the same.

To keep our staff and guests as safe as possible, we ask as possible that masks utilize three layers of high quality fabric, be fitted with wire at the nose, and be washable.

Material details:

- For the outer and inner layers, use high thread-count fabrics similar to high thread count sheets or high quality quilt fabric (60 weaves per inch or higher).
- For the middle layer, use a non-woven washable fabric or non-woven “cut away” interfacing (sold on Amazon) used to back embroidery projects. If sold out, use a high thread count flannel.
- Elastic for the ear loops/ties is extremely hard to find. Consider using t-shirt material to make the loops instead.

[This helpful video](#) from a retired nurse shows the right materials to use for making masks.

Here is [the best pattern](#) to use.

We need a variety of sizes for men, women, and children of all ages.

**Please place in a sealable plastic bag and contact Scott Swansen at our Kent Distribution Center for delivery instructions: (206) 432-8450 or [sswansen@ugm.org](mailto:sswansen@ugm.org).**

Thank you, and may God bless YOU for helping!