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Antrim County's Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) Challenge



ANTRIM COUNTY, Mich. – In anticipation of the additional COVID-19 cases Antrim County's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is working hard to protect its first responders with Personal Protection Equipment (PPE). This equipment will be used by Antrim County Sheriff's deputies, local police agencies, firefighters, EMS and other critical workers as they are called on to assist residents throughout the County.

With Governor Whitmer announcing a shortage of supplies throughout the State, Antrim County's EOC is getting creative with hand-sewn masks, homemade PPE, and non-conventional hand sanitizer. In addition, the EOC challenged emergency workers, Antrim County staff and families, and is now challenging residents, to brainstorm ideas for practical PPE made out of readily available materials.

Pictured is the winning internal submission, a make-shift gown from Court Security Officer Todd Johnson and his family. As we find solutions for this very serious need, please take a moment to submit your own ideas or view other submissions (some much more practical than others) on the Antrim County Facebook page, @AntrimCountyMI.