

## City of Macedonia Fire Department

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Mayor Nicholas Molnar



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Dear Nordonia Hills Residents and Businesses,

On behalf of Fire Chief Brian Ripley and Myself, I would like to assure our community that the Macedonia Fire department is doing everything that it can to stay informed with the latest COVID-19 information.

On Friday, March 20, 2020 Mayor Molnar declared a state of Public Health Emergency within the City Macedonia (<a href="www.macedonia.oh.us">www.macedonia.oh.us</a>, to read City Press Release). That declaration is an affirmation to all of the communities that we serve, that the administration and our leaders take the health and well-being of our residents, businesses, employees, and community seriously. The fire department has temporally suspended all public education programs and non-essential fire department business indefinitely. The only service that we will be providing will be emergency calls for Fire and EMS services.

By now I am sure you have heard the plea from the media about how first responders are in desperate need of personal protective equipment (PPE). The Macedonia Fire department is desperately low and even though we are managing our supply we know as COVID-19 ramps up that soon we will be out of PPE. The Macedonia Fire department is asking our residents and businesses that might have the following items on hand and are willing to donate them to our cause, that any and all donations would be greatly appreciated. Here is a list of items that we are in need of:

Surgical masks with or without shields

Medical face shields

Goggles or Safety glasses

N95 masks

Medical gowns

Any donations will be accepted Monday through Friday, between the business hours of 8 am and 5 pm at Macedonia Fire station one, 9691 Valley View Road, Macedonia, 44056. Right now our City building is closed to residents and guests so we are respectfully requesting that you call our department at (330) 468-8339 before making any attempt to deliver your donation.

In closing we would like to recommend a public service announcement that The Ohio Department of Public Safety, Division of EMS, in partnership with the Mentor Fire department, has created "Be Part of the Solution" (Visit our City web page <a href="https://www.macedonia.oh.us">www.macedonia.oh.us</a> for the link) that will help residents decide when to call 911.

Respectfully

Assistant Fire Chief Paul Celinski, Public Information Officer