



MEMORANDUM

To: PEI Women's Institute members and PEI Mask+Aide members
From: PEI Women's Institute Board of Directors
Date: May 25, 2020
Subject: Non-Medical Masks Fabrication Project with **NEW VERNON RIVER PICK UP/DROP OFF TIME***

*Would you like something to do during these long days
at home and feel like you are making a difference?
The PEI Women's Institute has an exciting project to tell you about!*

The PEI Women's Institute has partnered with PEI Mask+Aide to fabricate non-medical masks as a result of a need identified within the the community. This request has a short turnaround time for production in order to provide protection for at-risk Islanders during this COVID-19 epidemic. This is a volunteer effort, and additional masks may be produced if a need is identified.

Limited funding is available to offset some costs to members to supply elastic and wire which will be provided in a kit. Included in the kit will be a mask pattern which has been prototyped in PEI and follows recommendations set out by Health Canada. Members will also be provided with a question and answer sheet and instructions of how to make the mask. Members are asked to provide the cotton material to make the masks. If you require assistance with the sewing or following the pattern, please contact *Joan Young* at 902-969-4184.

If you belong to a Women's Institute branch, please identify one member who will take orders for kits within your branch and give the number of kits required to *Sheila MacLean** at 902-330-2865 (cell), 902-651-2865 (home), or maclean61@bellaliant.net. Kits will be available for pick ups AND drop offs on **Mondays -- rain or shine -- from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Milton Community Hall** and from **12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. at St. Joachim's Parish Hall in Vernon River**. These pick ups and drop offs are no-contact drive-thrus, so please do not exit your vehicle. For details on pick up/drop off protocol, please see the "details" sheet included in this package.

Kits come in packages to make 10 or 25 masks. Once masks are complete, put them in original kit envelope and return them to the location where you had originally picked up the package(s).

If you have any other questions on the project, please contact *Sheila MacLean* at 902-330-2865 (cell), 902-651-2865 (home), or at maclean61@bellaliant.net.

This is a project where Islanders are helping Islanders during these very difficult times. What better way to pass your time than to be making something that will be of help to others and be part of such a historical project for the PEI Women's Institute.