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Monroe County Distributing KN95 Masks to Municipalities for their Residents

Monroe, MI, January 4, 2022 – Monroe County Health Department (MCHD) has received KN95 masks for distribution to the general public. MCHD and Monroe County Emergency Management Division (EMD) have partnered together to distribute masks to municipalities. Residents are encouraged to watch for upcoming details from their township, village, or city by visiting their website and/or social media platforms (Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram). Each municipality will release information on how residents can pick up their free KN95 masks. Residents can find their township, city, or village website here:

https://www.co.monroe.mi.us/community_and_health/community/township_cities_and_villages_in_monroe_county.php

Everyone is now encouraged to upgrade their mask to a KN95 when in public indoor spaces given how contagious most COVID-19 variants are. Masks are an effective way to stop the spread of COVID-19. These masks come at an important time when COVID-19 transmission and cases are still high in the community.

While all masks provide some level of protection, properly fitted masks provide the highest level of protection. Wearing a highly protective mask may be most important for certain higher risk situations, or by some people at increased risk for severe disease.

Please visit www.cdc.gov/coronavirus on how to properly use, fit, and care for masks.

Free KN95 masks have been made available throughout Michigan as part of the state's Mask Up, Mask Right campaign. Find additional distribution sites at Michigan.gov/MaskUpMichigan

Additional information can be found at:

<http://www.healthymonroecounty.com>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus>

<https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus/>

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