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COUNTY IN NEED OF MASKS, GLOVES

Emmet County officials are seeking donations of N95 masks and latex gloves for county employees who still must continue to work and interact with the public during the coronavirus pandemic.

"While we try to maintain as many services as we can during this unprecedented time, we also want to keep our county employees safe," said Acting County Administrator Michael Reaves. "We realize there are reports of shortages of protective gear like the N95 masks, but we are hoping someone in the county has extras they can share with us. We want to do all we can to keep our staff healthy and prevent the spread of the virus as much as possible."

If you have masks or gloves, but cannot take a financial loss by donating them to the county, Reaves said the county may be willing to purchase the items at the normal retail price.

Donations may be brought to the Emmet County building Lake Street entrance. Though the county building is now closed to the public, the building's security staff will meet visitors at the door, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please call (231) 348-0660 for questions concerning donation drop-offs.