



NEWS from the Shelby County Mayor's Office

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**SHELBY COUNTY GOVERNMENT REMINDS PUBLIC FREE MASK ARE
AVAILABLE FOR COUNTY RESIDENTS**

The masks are available through the Shelby County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency.

WHAT: Free masks for Shelby County residents
WHO: Shelby County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency
WHEN: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday
WHERE: Emergency Management Warehouse, 6393 Haley Road, Memphis, TN, 38134
CALL: (901) 222-6756

Shelby County, TN – Shelby County Government reminds the public that there are masks available for pickup from the Shelby County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency. The agency has free surgical masks and a limited number of N95 masks available for pickup by Shelby County residents.

The free masks were purchased with a portion of Shelby County's allocation of American Rescue Plan Act funds. President Joe Biden's historic \$1.9 trillion legislation helps communities respond and recover from the dual health and economic crisis caused by the pandemic.

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Shelby County Mayor Lee Harris: “Once again, we are happy to see these new federal dollars used to help slow the spread of COVID and continue our recovery from the pandemic. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention encourages us to wear masks to slow the spread of this highly transmissible virus. We’d like to thank the Biden administration for making this possible.”

Emergency Management and Homeland Security Director Brenda Jones: “We really want to get these masks out into the community and into the hands of the residents of Shelby County. Medical experts continue to tell us that to reduce the spread of the coronavirus, in all its variants, wearing any mask is better than no mask at all.”

The maximum allotment of masks will be based on the size of the household.

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