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CITY OF CLOVIS EMPLOYEES SEWING MASKS FOR STAFF/CATS RIDERSHIP

City of Clovis' Senior Services, Library and CATS employees have been busy making cotton face masks this week for various city departments who are working as part of the State of New Mexico's essential services order.

"Police, Fire, EMS, CATS and Emergency Management already have the personal protection equipment (PPE) their departments need," advised City Manager Justin Howalt, Tuesday. "However we have other staff, including Public Works, Airport staff, Building Safety and Municipal Court, who are still working in the community as part of essential services. Although we are practicing social distancing wherever possible, and even though face masks have not been mandated at this time, we wanted to provide face masks to our other employees as they go about their work for the community to help them and anyone they may come into contact with."

Staff is also making face masks for people using the CATS bus system. "Our CATS drivers have N95 masks, but we wanted to make masks for our CATS ridership," advised MaryLou Kemp, CATS Director. "This helps protect not only our drivers, but our ridership. I would especially like to thank the Library and Senior Services departments for helping me with this project, Commissioner Casaus for volunteering to assist, and Baxter-Curren Senior Center for donating some of the material and ribbon for this project." To date they have made 140 masks.



City of Clovis staff pictured at the Friendship Center (left to right) Sandra Cordova, Sarah Wiliford, Tammy Sena, Sandy Pieratt (Senior Services), Kristy Pipes