



Baltimore Regional Cooperative Purchasing Committee

Call Report issued by Debbie Groat

4/29/20	Debbie Groat
	County/City COVID19 Workgroup
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DISCUSSION

Main point of discussion was to share information on COVID19 operations, disruptions and supply chain demands:

- a. Christopher (MWCOG) shared that the first order for N95 masks is out and waiting for a delivery date notification from 3M. The second order is going out this week. They are presently looking into disposable gowns and coveralls. Anyone wanting to participate in this cooperative buy must submit their quantities to be ordered, and ready to submit a purchase order within 48 hours. They were considering a cooperative order for 15-minute tests for Public Safety officials but could not find a source.
- b. Karen/Stephanie/Stacey (Harford) shared that they have received 500K in surgical masks from W.B.Mason. They have some gloves arriving but need size medium that seems to be in short supply. They have set up a temporary warehouse to store PPE supplies for the Fall. They are already working with MWCOG for the gown purchase.
- c. Andrew (Anne Arundel) has a steady flow of orders being received and placed as they plan for today's needs and anticipation of a Fall resurgence. When asking how others are handling the potential for a resurgence only Harford responded with their plan for a temporary warehouse, stockpiling PPE, hotel and ambulatory contracting. Andrew is looking for real time, on-site COVID19 testing kits. They are looking into German suppliers vs. Chinese due to the excessively high delivery charges. German firms may be able to accommodate delivery via private charter at a lower cost than China. AACO plans to order 300K N95 masks with this week's MWCOG order. They are low on gowns.
- d. Brian (Annapolis) said that PPE is coming in dribs and drabs. Gowns are still an issue.
- e. Blake (BMC) stated that they are working closely with MWCOG to stay abreast of food supply chain matters. He also shared that the recipients of the Free and Reduced Lunch Program in the schools are going to receive additional benefits due to the COVID19 pandemic.
- f. Jeramie shared that based on the Governor's plan, MEMA is developing a COVID19 resurgence plan that she will share with our group when it becomes available. She will also look into the real time, on-site test kits to see if the emergency managers are aware of any sources. Debbie mentioned that educational facilities are presently ordering "as normal" and are not considering additional supplies that may be needed if there is a higher, more stringent cleaning procedure for buildings before they can open, such as a spray process vs. a wipe the desks process. Jeramie will look into that as well.

Action Items: None