



Baltimore Regional Cooperative Purchasing Committee

Call Report issued by Debbie Groat

5/20/20	Debbie Groat
	County/City COVID19 Workgroup
	Karen Myers, Stephanie Whalen, Stacy Rappold, Mike Myers, Tony Reed, Christopher Pipinou, Rick Konrad, Blake Fisher, Andrew Hime, & Brian Snyder
DISCUSSION Main point of disc	cussion was to share information on COVID19 operations, disruptions and supply chain

- demands:
 a. Debbie started the meeting to say that at the last meeting we discussed the need for an opening strategy and whether a cooperative procurement should be used.
 - b. Harford shared that they have started the planning for opening but too soon, to know what is needed. Also mentioned that some K95 masks purchased early on are now NOT FDA approved.
 - c. Carroll shared that they are in the post-rush stage waiting for new requirements to hit.
 - d. Baltimore City is still under a stay-at-home order and has not started the reopening stages. They have not begun to discuss reopening PPE strategies. They have not seen MEMA or Federal PPE stock as a viable option.
 - e. Anne Arundel is digging deep into the supply chain for PPE to analyze what may be the best strategy for going forward. They plan to be prepared to discuss their findings at next week's meeting and want to forge a cooperative opportunity.
 - f. MWCOG is presently determining what the next steps may be. MWCOG is opening under a Phase 1 step and determining what that will look like for employees.
 - g. BMC Blake shared that the consumer price index has risen for food over 2%, which is an historical high. Some commodities are seeing a 2-4 week lead-time.

Action Items:

<u>1.</u> Andrew Hime will report back at the next meeting, regarding his PPE research and cooperative procurement recommendation.