



Rappahannock United Way

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***RAPPAHANNOCK UNITED WAY TO DISTRIBUTE FREE FACE COVERINGS TO LOCAL NON-PROFITS***

**Fredericksburg, VA – 8/21/2020** Rappahannock United Way (RUW) will distribute thousands of free face coverings to over 20 local nonprofit organizations including the Rappahannock YMCA, Safe Harbor Child Advocacy Center, Rappahannock Area Community Services Board and Thurman Brisben Center, on August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

“By helping to provide free face coverings, we are reducing the expense of PPEs for nonprofits so they can continue to focus on their mission,” said Janel Donohue, President of Rappahannock United Way.

Rappahannock United Way agreed to distribute over 375,000 face coverings to the Voluntary Organization Active in Disaster (VOAD) Region 2. The donor gave the face coverings to FEMA and Virginia VOAD coordinated distribution to the VOAD Regions. Face coverings are available to nonprofits in the counties of Caroline, Spotsylvania, King George, Clarke, Culpeper, Fauquier, Rappahannock, Orange, Greene, Louisa, Madison, Shenandoah, Frederick, Page, Warren as well as The City Of Fredericksburg and The City of Winchester. Nonprofits can use the face coverings for staff and volunteers.

These face coverings will help control the spread of COVID-19 while nonprofit employees work. Rappahannock United Way wants to ensure that the distribution is as safe as possible for both volunteers and organizations. The organization has structured the event to allow for no contact pick up and the staff and volunteers will practice social distancing, following CDC regulations.

Nonprofits interested in receiving face coverings should contact Emily Atkins at [eatkins@rappahannockunitedway.org](mailto:eatkins@rappahannockunitedway.org).

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**About Rappahannock United Way**

Celebrating over 80 years in our community, Rappahannock United Way is a local nonprofit serving Fredericksburg, Spotsylvania, Stafford, King George and Caroline. Rappahannock United Way’s vision is a

community where individuals and families achieve their potential through Education, Financial Stability and Healthy Living. Together, we can create opportunities for a better tomorrow.

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