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Lee County to provide additional Personal Protective Equipment to businesses

Fort Myers, FL, Sept. 10, 2020 – Another round of distribution of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is planned for Lee County businesses, with the first pickup location set to open next Tuesday.

The Lee Board of County Commissioners approved the distribution at its meeting on Sept. 1. Business representatives will receive 200 facemasks and a case of hand sanitizer; limit one PPE-pick up per company.

The business distribution sites will operate 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weather permitting and while supplies last at each site:

- Sept. 15 to 17 at Veterans Park, 55 Homestead Road South in Lehigh Acres
- Sept. 22 to 24 at North Fort Myers Recreation Center, 2000 North Recreation Park Way
- Sept. 28 to Sept. 30 at Estero Recreation Center, 9200 Corkscrew Palms Blvd.

No advance registration is necessary. County staff will ask the person representing the business for the business name, address and EIN number (Employer Identification Number). Only businesses with Lee County addresses will be eligible to receive PPE.

The distribution is part of Lee County's continuing response to the COVID-19 pandemic. It is funded through the \$134,459,744 received through the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES).

An initial round of distribution of PPE to businesses ended June 5.

Lee County is working in partnership with local nonprofits to distribute masks and hand sanitizer for individual use. United Way will spearhead distributions through United Way Houses, food pantries and other distribution points to be announced soon; Goodwill Industries will distribute PPE through its Community Resource Centers; and the Lee County Library System will provide PPE at select locations. Details to come.

For more information, visit www.LeeFLCares.com.