



# COUNTY OF BECKER

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## **ACCEPTING DONATIONS OF CLOTH FACE COVERINGS**

**Detroit Lakes, MN** - To support the health of our community, Becker County Human Services is accepting donations of hand sewn face coverings (masks). Donated masks will be distributed to local group homes, family foster care, assisted living, senior living facilities, congregate care settings and other groups as needed.

Donations can be dropped off at the Becker County Courthouse located at 915 Lake Avenue, Detroit Lakes. Enter through the main doors at the front of the building and place in the collection tote in the lobby. The courthouse is open Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. Please include your name, address, and phone number with your donation.

Cloth face coverings can help prevent your germs from infecting others – especially in situations where you may spread the virus without symptoms. Wearing a mask does not protect you from others who may spread the virus or needing to take other preventative measures. You should still wash your hands frequently, cover your cough, and practice social distancing by keeping at least 6 feet of space between yourself and others.