Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Financial Resources for Specialized Transportation Providers

According to results from the Missouri Specialized Transportation Provider Survey, 85% of responding agencies have an ongoing need for PPE, 74% of agencies have an ongoing need for cleaning supplies, and 63% of agencies are either concerned or unsure about their future ability to deliver transportation services due to impacts related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

To help respond to these critical needs expressed by agencies and organizations in order to safeguard and protect the health and wellbeing of Missourians, the Missouri Transportation Task Force has compiled the following resource guide to assist Specialized Transportation Providers in meeting the needs identified by the survey.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) & Cleaning Supplies

The State of Missouri has compiled a suite of options to support agencies in fulfilling their Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) needs, including:

- Department of Health & Senior Services' PPE Resource Process & Requests
- Missouri Vocational Enterprises: Correctional Industries
 - Note: Some PPE items may not be listed on the website at this time but are available for purchase. Contact MVE directly to learn more and order PPE and other supplies
- Show Me Strong: MO PPE Manufacturing Directory
- For assistance in identifying manufacturers of PPE in Missouri to accommodate your specific needs, please contact Ms. Ann Pardalos, Missouri Department of Economic Development at ann.pardalos@ded.mo.gov

Funding

As part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, emergency funding has been made available to county and municipal governments to respond to the COVID-19 Pandemic. According to the Department of Health & Senior Services' CARES Act Funding Toolkit for Local Governments, PPE is an integral component for all COVID-19 mitigation and response and is an appropriate use of Cares Act funds. Reach out to your municipal or county government to learn how to access CARES Act funding in your own community and for what uses funds may be utilized for.

Non-Comprehensive List of Potential Regional Funding Resources:

- Community Foundation of the Ozarks COVID-19 Recovery Fund
- Greater Kansas City Community Foundation COVID-19 Response & Recovery Fund
- St. Louis COVID-19 Regional Response Team
- Community Foundation of the Quincy Area

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Links/Sources

https://dmh.mo.gov/media/pdf/personal-protective-equipment-ppe-updates

https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus/ppe.php

https://docservices.mo.gov/mve/products/consumables/consumable.html

https://showmestrong.mo.gov/mo-ppe-manufacturing-directory/

https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus/cares-act-funding.php

https://www.cfozarks.org/covid19-response-recovery-fund

https://www.growyourgiving.org/covid/?fbclid=lwAR25GlGuk53Ft_gR8MVElj-D5JF8Ddzdi4mhY

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https://c19rrt.org/

https://www.mycommunityfoundation.org/covid19grants

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