

## Senator Carlucci & Northeast Face Shield Project Deliver PPE

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(**Suffern, NY**) – Senator David Carlucci (D-Rockland/Westchester) and Northeast Face Shield Project delivered 500, 3D printed face shields to a Rockland County hospital last week.

Good Samaritan Hospital in Suffern, a member of the Westchester Medical Center Health Network (WMCHealth) accepted the critical donation. Mary P. Leahy, MD, CEO of Bon Secours Charity Health System/Good Samaritan Hospital, said, "We are deeply grateful to Sen. Carlucci and Northeast Face Shield for this generous donation, which supplements our current supply of personal protective equipment. It is heartening that Good Samaritan Hospital can join together with the Senator to help us in the fight against the coronavirus. Thank you for supporting our heroic staff on the frontlines and helping us maintain a safe and effective care environment for our patients and workforce."

"We made the call for needed Personal Protection Equipment in Rockland and Westchester Counties for our front line health care professionals, and then Northeast Face Shield Project reached out immediately," said Senator David Carlucci. "They asked who was in need, and we connected them with Good Samaritan, and in a short time the PPE was here. The Northeast Face Shield Project's work is critical in protecting our health care professionals from COVID-19. This project is run by volunteers and people using technology to help their fellow New Yorkers in our greatest time of need. We thank the group for their selfless donation."

The Northeast Face Shield Project is a non-profit organization of more than 150 volunteers who produce and distribute up to 20,000 3D printed face shields per month, across 9 northeastern states. Volunteers 3D print face shield parts, procure related supplies, collect, prepare, and distribute the face shields to health care facilities throughout the Northeast.

Adam Kaufman, Northeast Face Shield Project's Regional NY, NJ, PA Coordinator said, "Face shields are desperately needed by health care workers who are fighting on the front lines to save the lives of others. We are grateful to Senator Carlucci for connecting us with Good Samaritan Hospital, and we were excited to make this delivery. Moving forward, we want to do more and attain State funding to produce a great number of face shields and bring costs down. We are also seeking volunteers who want to make a difference."

The Northeast Face Shield Project is in need of more 3D printing volunteers and donations to continue their life-saving work.

If New Yorkers would like to volunteer, they can go to: www.nefaceshield.org. The non-profit's go fund me page is: https://www.gofundme.com/f/nefaceshield.org.

**Kaufman said,** "Each face shield costs roughly \$2 to produce and distribute, so even small donations make a big difference."

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Hospitals and others in need of face shields can visit: www.nefaceshield.org