



# MasksNowIL

Stopping the spread, one mask at a time.

Dear Sir or Madam,

My name is Emma Davenport, a high school senior from Illinois, and the director for the non-profit organization, MasksNowIL. We are a network of volunteers who are sewing, collecting and distributing cloth masks to those in need across the state. **By providing free cloth face masks to those in need, we equip our communities to stop the spread of COVID-19.** Since the group's creation in late March, MasksNowIL has distributed over 68,000 cloth masks to over 200 facilities in need.

When I began leading the group in my junior year of high school, I could not have imagined that we would still be sewing and distributing masks almost a year later. However, with the challenges of vaccine rollouts and increasing concern about new COVID-19 variants, we continue to receive requests for masks - to the tune of almost 10,000 newly requested masks!

Manufacturers have increased their output to address the widespread PPE shortage in medical facilities. However, low income communities where social service organizations and under resourced healthcare facilities serve the most vulnerable have inadequate supplies to continue their work safely. MasksNowIL strives to help communities stop the spread by providing free cloth masks to social service organizations to distribute to their volunteers and program beneficiaries. However, the demand for masks in the communities across Illinois is quickly surpassing our organization's limited sewing capacity, and we need your help.

Community contribution is essential to the success of our mission: masks on faces. If your company has anything to contribute to our cause, we would greatly appreciate it. **We will accept any mask donations (reusable or disposable, misprinted and/or unsellable) and sewing supplies.** We are more than happy to feature your company on our social media platforms to highlight your contribution and support of the community. No matter the size of your contribution, we greatly appreciate your support of our efforts. Hopefully, we can stop the spread together, one mask at a time.

Physical donations of masks, material and/or thread can be sent to:

ATTN: Emma Davenport  
MasksNowIL  
7060 Meadowbrook Lane  
Hanover Park, IL 60133

For all monetary donations, please visit our GoFundMe page at <https://gf.me/u/yqib6k>

Thank you for your time.

With gratitude,

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