



# SBCV DR Shares PPE with Area Medical Center

The SBC of Virginia was able to provide some much-needed resources and hope to medical facilities in the Lynchburg surrounding area. Nearly 3,700 masks and 100 hazmat suits were donated to Centra Health as doctors and nurses battled COVID-19.

These masks and suits are used by Disaster Relief volunteers with funding provided by the churches of the SBC of Virginia through the Vision Virginia Missions Offering and the North American Mission Board. When teams are responding to flooded homes and businesses in Virginia and beyond, they remove flooded drywall, flooring, and other materials. This protective wear helps shield them from black mold exposure, along with other contaminants found in flooded homes.

“I was watching the news and saw that a lot of hospitals were struggling with personal protective equipment and being able to get enough of it to protect their health care workers,” shared Mark Gauthier, director of SBC of Virginia Disaster Relief. “I thought it would be a shame for this equipment to stay in the warehouse when health workers are having to deal with the coronavirus.”

The Disaster Relief team works with a state feeding task force that is looking into how Virginia school children who depend on free meals and others who are at risk could be fed during this time. This could mean utilizing the SBC of Virginia mobile kitchens and teams to help distribute to families in need.

The SBC of Virginia is also working with its more than 740 churches to provide resources they need to continue min-

istry during the pandemic. Regional catalysts have been working one on one with churches, and the SBC of Virginia is providing new resources daily to help churches think through new and creative solutions for financial giving, communication, and other necessary ministry practices.

These measures are vital to help Virginia residents and beyond know that they are not alone in these challenging days. There is help, healing, and hope found in our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

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