



# District 19E Newsletter



District 19E  
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## How Can Lions Serve During This Pandemic?

As Global Service Team Coordinator for District 19E, I would love to hear your answer to that question. We see on the news, stories of individuals and organizations that are finding ways to help others around them. Social distancing doesn't mean that we cannot remain in contact with members of our Lions Clubs (as evidenced by your receipt of this email).

I am asking you to email me (kdirienz@hotmail.com) with information about projects that your members are doing to help others during this trying time. I plan to share information I receive with all of you through periodic emails so we can share ideas and spread the service instead of the virus.

The following are three examples of how Lions can serve (information provided by the North Pend Oreille Valley Lions Club):

1. The club, via an email vote, approved a donation to the local food bank that was in addition to the regular donation made earlier in the year.
2. Several members of the club worked in their own homes to sew face masks for the Spokane Fire Department. The material (polypropylene) was provided by a fabric store in Colville. Completed masks were returned to that store. This link (<http://www.asg-inw.org/covid-19-help-needed/>) will take you to the website for the American Sewing Guild, the organization that coordinated that project. The website provides information regarding how others can make the special masks or can use the patterns provided to make fabric face masks for use by people in their own community.

One of the Lions has sewn over 100 fabric face masks and has donated them to the local medical clinic, her primary care physician's office, an assisted living facility and a veterans nursing home.

I encourage you to find a way to connect with members of your club to identify ways that you can serve in your community. As Helen Keller said, "Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much."

Stay Well,

**KIM DI RIENZ**  
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