Respiratory droplets from coughs or sneezes are the main source of transmission from person to person.

Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds especially after you have been in a public place, or after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.

COVID-19 Detectable timelines for various surfaces….

- Cardboard up to 24 hours
- Plastic and stainless steel for up to 48-72 hours

Proper Disinfection of COVID-19…

- Chlorine bleach concentrations and mixing instructions:
  - Prepare a dilution of fresh bleach every day of use and discard unused portion.
  - Be aware that bleach can damage surfaces and stain material
- 1/3-cup bleach in 1-gallon water
  - Follow manufacturer’s instructions for application and proper ventilation.
  - Never mix household bleach with ammonia or any other cleanser.
  - Rinse objects such as toys with water after disinfection
- Alcohol solutions with at least 60% alcohol
- Most common EPA-registered household disinfectants
  - Soap and water
  - Lysol brand products
  - Clorox brand products
  - Hydrogen Peroxide
Financial donations are the preferred and safest method of donation.
Financial donations can be used to purchase items that can be shipped directly to distribution sites for delivery.
Donated essential items such as food, need to be kept stored away from any contact for at least **3 days** prior to handling/distribution.
Recent information suggests that the isolation of products beyond **72 hours** should render the virus inviable, therefore disinfection in addition to that would be an additional precaution.
Anyone handling donated good should use gloves, wash hands, and avoid touching their face.
Distribution processes should avoid aggregation of multiple volunteers in the same spaces for preparation/sorting/distribution or recipient aggregation during pick-up.

**Additional Safety Measures…**

- Frequently wash your hands with soap and water for at least **20 seconds**.
- Use an alcohol-based hand rub with at least **60% alcohol**.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.