Quarantine Eagle Project Continuation Suggestions

This is a challenging time to accomplish an Eagle Scout project, and we recognize the significance of your efforts. This document is intended to assist you in finding ways to continue forward on your trail to Eagle, while still following government and council guidelines for safety during a pandemic. “A Scout is Clean” especially needs to apply to everything we do at this unique time.

To start you should:

• Use the most current Eagle Project Service Project Workbook
• Check for the most current council safety guidelines regarding COVID-19
• Consult with your Eagle Advisor for updates and suggestions

Some general questions to ask yourself when planning a safe project:

1) Can I accomplish this project and still follow the guidelines for safety during this pandemic? Many projects can be altered to follow safety guidelines. For example, perhaps your project was to build benches for a local school. Normally you would bring a large group of people together all at once to use the same tools and work near each other for several hours. Instead you could break up the project so people work on various parts of the project at different times, cleaning the tools between family groups. You could also organize families to work at different locations with their own equipment and then bring the parts to you so your immediate household can combine and deliver the project. You can still accomplish your goal just by adjusting your approach.
2) Does this project apply to the current needs of my intended beneficiary? Some projects that were helpful before might not be needed as much right now. With no students at school, backpack racks or benches might not be the priority of the school. Because the needs of schools, churches and other potential beneficiaries have changed, we need to modify the types of projects we offer.

Some sample ideas to consider:

• Sew face masks
• Collect and distribute medical supplies to hospitals, clinics and private practices such as N95 masks, gloves, face shields, touch free thermometers and cleaning supplies like bleach and Clorox wipes.
• Use 3D printers to make needed supplies such as mask ties and face shields
• Collect and clean clothes for shelters
• Create online education for those isolated at home.
• Create “Thinking of you” videos for the sick and for shut-ins at home or in nursing care facilities.
• Coordinate grocery pick up / delivery for the sick and for shut-ins at home.
• Thank you videos / messages, for hospital workers and first responders.
• Coordinate foodbank assistance/donations.
• Coordinate blood donations.
• Mow lawns and provide yard care for the sick and for shut-ins at home.
• If approved, mow the lawns of closed schools.
• Read-A-Thon to raise money for medical teams.

This is not intended as a comprehensive list, but ideas to help you find ways to continue forward on your path to Eagle despite this pandemic. Your efforts are appreciated and make a real difference to our community.