

BUNCOMBE COUNTY COVID RECOVERY FUNDING

Project Spotlight



In order to promote a strong and equitable recovery from COVID-19 and its negative economic impacts, Buncombe County invested federal funds into projects like this one.

Project

KN95 Masks for COVID Prevention

Lead Organization



Amount

\$41,041.80 actual (vs \$50,000 awarded)

Project Dates

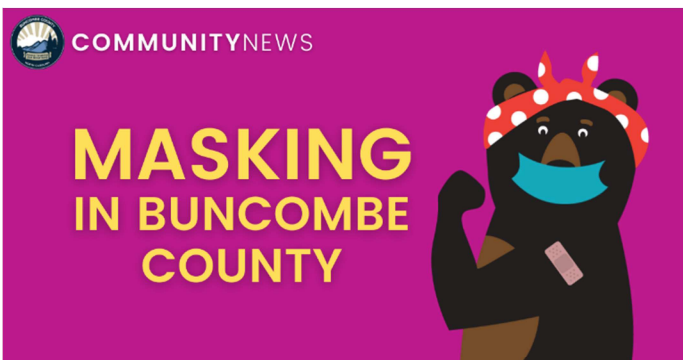
February 2022 – June 2022

Impact Area





Personal Protective Equipment

How the Funds Were Used

To help mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and its highly-contagious Omicron variant among the general public and county staff, Buncombe County Emergency Services launched the KN95 Masks for COVID Prevention Project. Orders were placed in mid-February 2022 and June 2022 for high-quality (KN95) and surgical-type masks and were received at the Emergency Services Warehouse. Mask distribution began in April, with twenty-five (25) distribution sites operating within Buncombe County, including all public libraries and other county departments that interact with the public (e.g., Election Services). Additional KN95 and surgical-type masks were provided to the Buncombe County Sheriff's Office for detainees at the Detention Center.



Results

-  25 distribution sites
-  14 County departments participated
-  63,000 KN95 masks distributed
-  70,000 surgical masks distributed

“I wear a mask so my students can come back to our classrooms.”

A. Betts Conti
Claxon Elementary



KN95 Masks Ready for Distribution

For a complete listing of Buncombe County's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CSLFRF) investments, visit www.buncombecounty.org/recoveryfunding.