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MTA Distribution of PPE to Reach 1.9 Million Masks and More Than 4 Million Pairs of Gloves by Next Week

MTA Aggressively Securing and Distributing Millions of Pieces of Personal Protective Equipment to Heroic Frontline Employees

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) today announced it will have distributed a total of 1.9 million masks and over 4 million pairs of gloves by next week across New York City Transit, the MTA Bus Company, Long Island Rail Road, Metro-North Railroad, MTA Bridges and Tunnels and MTA Police Department. Totals include 1.1 million N95 and KN95 masks and 800,000 surgical masks.

“The distribution of personal protective equipment is part of a continuous commitment to protect our heroic frontline employees during the COVID-19 pandemic,” **said Patrick Warren, MTA Chief Safety Officer.** “Our heroic employees deserve to have the PPE they need in order to be safe.”

As a global leader among transportation agencies, since March 1 the MTA has distributed 24,000 gallons of hand sanitizer, including 110,000 small bottles, 1.8 million individual sanitizing cleaning wipes and 100,000 gallons of cleaning solutions.

Contributing to the supply of personal protective equipment and materials, this week the MTA received a final shipment of more than 1,000 gallons of hand sanitizer for future distribution across agencies as needed. The 19 barrels of hand sanitizer, each containing 55 gallons, were picked up from the New York State Office of Emergency Management in Albany and transported to a Bronx storage facility by the MTA Police Department's Highway Unit. Photos of the shipment are available [here](#) and video b-roll is available [here](#).