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Free Breathing Masks Available for Redding Residents

SHASTA COUNTY – With smoke from the 100,000-acre Carr Fire continuing to create unhealthy air for Redding residents, residents can still find free n95 breathing masks at the following locations:

- Everything Medical 2376 Athens Ave., Redding
- Shasta County Owens Pharmacies (Available at Owen's locations beginning August 1st)
 - o 1035 Placer St. Redding (inside Shasta Community Health Center)
 - o 2025 Court St., Ste. A, Redding
 - o 2950 Railroad Ave., Redding
 - o 2880 Churn Creek Road, Redding
 - o 317 Lake Blvd., Redding
 - o 9387 Deschutes Road, Palo Cedro
 - o 2975 East St., Anderson
- New West Medical 2971 Churn Creek Road, Redding
- Medical Home Care Professionals 2115 Churn Creek Road, Redding
- SavMor Foods 6536 Westside Rd., Redding
- Shasta County Holiday Markets
 - o 3315 Placer St., Redding
 - o 2455 Hartnell Ave., Redding
 - o 20635 Gas Point Rd., Cottonwood
 - o 9350 Deschutes Road., Palo Cedro

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- Wright Education Services 2660 Victor Ave., Redding
- Safeway 2601 Balls Ferry Rd., Anderson
- Ferry's Pharmacy 2940 East St., Anderson
- Rite Aid Pharmacy 3095 McMurray Dr., Anderson

The masks are being distributed by the Northern California Lions Disaster Response Team in partnership with Shasta County HHSA.

In addition, the Western Services Workers Association has 400 masks as of today available to residents for free. Visit them at their office from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., located at 2350 Beverly Dr., off Cypress just west of Bechelli Lane. You can also call 244-0968 if it's an emergency. They may be able to deliver.

Smoke from wildfires and structure fires can cause eye irritation, throat irritation and coughing. Some people with heart and lung disease, including asthma, may have worse symptoms. The elderly and children are also more likely to be affected by health threats from smoke. Even healthy people may experience some of these symptoms in smoky conditions. Seek medical help if you experience symptoms that worsen or become severe.

Go to <u>www.shastahhsa.net</u> for more tips to protect yourself from wildfire smoke. Check <u>www.airnow.gov</u> for updated reports on the area's air quality.