

ACCESSING SUPPLIES FOR CHILD CARE PROGRAMS

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During the current public health crisis, child care programs have had a difficult time obtaining much-needed supplies. As Let's Grow Kids focuses on the re-opening of child care programs, we know that highly sought-after items, such as health and sanitation supplies, will be in even greater demand. We have reached out to retailers and suppliers who may have some of these supplies available for purchase. We have learned that as inventory becomes available, desired items are selling out quickly, making availability of items unpredictable.

Many retailers are taking online and telephone orders for curbside pick-up. Some Vermonters have found cleaning supplies and other needed items at local hardware stores (Aubuchon, Ace, etc.), big box stores (Target, Walmart, Staples, etc.), warehouse clubs (Costco, Sam's Club) and pharmacies (Walgreen's, CVS, Kinney Drugs, Rite Aid).

We encourage you to be persistent and call retailers ahead when possible as available inventory changes daily. We have included some links to resources below and will be updating this regularly.

Cloth Face Coverings:

- The [Department of Public Safety's Vermont Emergency Management's website](#) offers a list of where to buy cloth face coverings.
- Vermont Teddy Bear is accepting requests for free cloth facial coverings donations@vtbear.com
- [Clear face coverings](#) are available for purchase through Etsy

Face Shields:

- [JK Adams](#)

Hand Sanitizer:

- [Stowe Cider](#) is offering discounted pricing on hand sanitizer for early educators and child care programs. Email orders@stowecider.com to order.

- [Bar Hill Hand Sanitizer](#) is being produced in Montpelier by Caledonia Spirits and is available (delivery only).
- [Hand sanitizer via mail order](#) from Detroit Bus

Cleaning Supplies:

- [Swish Professional Cleaning Supplies](#)
- [Disinfectants and sanitizers](#) available through ZORO
- [Force of Nature](#) nontoxic disinfectant

General Supplies:

- [Foley Distributing](#)
- [W.B. Mason](#)

Delivery of Grocery and Household Supplies:

- [Instacart](#)

Local Resources and General Information:

- Visit [Help Me Grow](#) or call 2-1-1 ext. 6.

Printable Resources:

- [Health check poster for entrance to child care program](#) from Let's Grow Kids