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# The Mask of Love Project







Over **17,000** masks were donated to the following places:

Hospitals

- Jewish General Hospital
- CHUM
- Shriners Hospitals for Children
- Montreal Chinese hospital
- St-Mary's Hospital
- Maisonneuve Rosemont Hospital
- Sacré-Coeur Hospital
- Lake Shore Hospital
- Santa Cabrini Ospedale Hospital
- CSSS Montérégie - Est





Nursing homes :

- Carrefour Rosemont;
- St-Georges;
- Les Deux Volets.







ANCIENNEMENT DÉPÔT ALIMENTAIRE NDG  
FORMERLY NDG FOOD DEPOT



Masks were also donated to the following places:

- Hội Hướng Dương
- The Depot Community Food Centre
- The Open Door
- Maison Du Père
- Chez Doris
- Benedict Labre House
- Dans La Rue



LA MAISON  
DU PÈRE





By the end of the project, when the masks in the province of Quebec were no longer scarce, the disease situation was positive. In the US (a neighbor friend), the epidemic increased so that the masks of love had a chance to contribute to a small portion for the US armies, as well as for their families.

Mr. David Rodriguez expressed his appreciation to the *Compassionate Service Society* and said: "The masks are beautiful and super comfortable. The dark masks will be distributed to the first responders the uniform soldiers, whereas the colorful ones will be sent to their families and loved ones."





The masks were well loved by many associations and hospitals.

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La mère de Mme Thuy Te.

Vendredi 26 juin 2020

Des membres de la Compassionate Services Society (CSS) Montréal ont participé à la fabrication de jolis couvre-visages en tissu lavable pour plusieurs CHSLD et hôpitaux. Ils donnent également des cours de Tai Chi bénévolement dans certains CHSLD. Le mercredi 17 juin, 300 masques ont été livrés à l'Hôpital du Sacré-Cœur-de-Montréal. Une autre quantité de 300 masques sera livrée très bientôt. Merci à ces couturières, dont la mère de Mme Thuy Te, qui ont bénévolement donné de leur temps et mis leur talent au service des experts bienveillants de Sacré-Cœur. «Nous espérons tous aider à stopper la propagation du coronavirus. Amusez-vous à porter les masques avec style», a déclaré la représentante de ce groupe, Mme Thuy Te, lors de la livraison. Il est fort probable que d'autres livraisons soient effectuées prochainement dans diverses installations du Centre intégré universitaire de santé et de services sociaux du Nord-de-l'Île-de-Montréal (CIUSSS NIM). C'est à suivre !

Compassionate Service Society est une organisation à but non lucratif basée à Orange County, en Californie, avec des affiliations dans plusieurs grandes villes des États-Unis, du Canada et de plusieurs pays d'Europe et d'Asie. La mission du groupe vise à pratiquer et promouvoir l'idéal du bodhisattva, aider autrui, apporter la santé, l'espoir et la guérison à la communauté.



“Hospital staff and users (patients) are delighted with the making of your masks, both in terms of quality and softness to wear.”

- *Hôpital du Sacré-Cœur de Montréal*

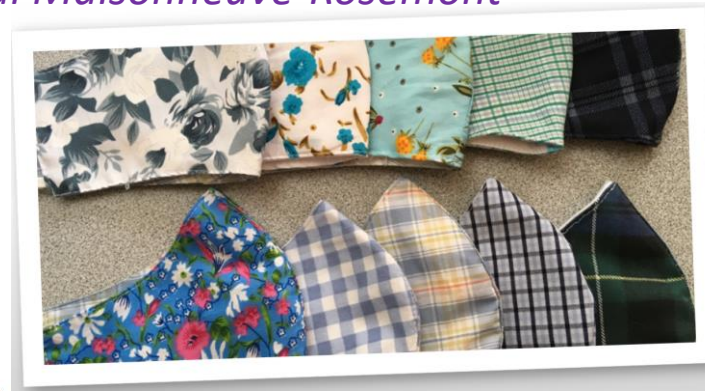




“I have had positive responses for the masks. For adult sizes, the masks would be directed to the surgical department.

As for children's masks, we could give them to our patients in the pediatric clinic.”

*-Hôpital Maisonneuve-Rosemont*



“Thank you for reaching out to us and for your overwhelming generosity.”

*-Lake Shore Hospital*



“The Santa Cabrini team greatly appreciated your donation as you can see in the pictures.

Thank you again for your generosity.”

*-Hôpital Santa Cabrini*







August 17, 2020

Ms. Lien Lam  
Compassionate Service Society

Dear Ms. Lam,

Please accept my sincerest heartfelt gratitude for your support of St. Mary's Hospital Center.

During the current healthcare pandemic, we remain humbled by the outpouring of kindness from the community and individuals, like you, that are facing their own professional and personal challenges yet will stop at nothing to support the healthcare workers on the frontline.

Your generous donation of 300 fabric masks was greatly appreciated by our hospital staff who are doing their utmost to help carry us through this difficult time.

We are continuing to capture the many photos and sentiments of gratitude on an ongoing basis to share on our Foundation social media platforms.

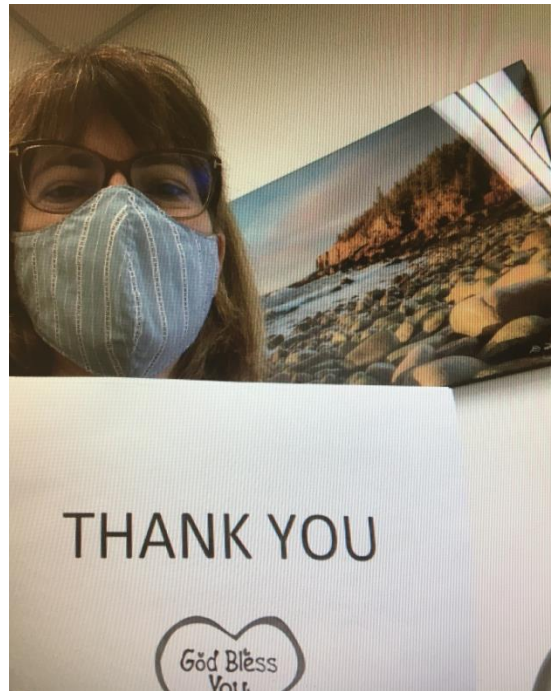
Your generosity is what helps us keep our doors open 24/7, responding to the day-to-day needs of our Community as well as the amplified complexities COVID-19 is bringing to our healthcare system and our commitment to research, teaching and the highest level of whole person care.

As the health of our community remains our utmost priority we ask you to please take good care of yourself and your loved ones – wash your hands, continue practicing social distancing and wear a mask. We know we will get through this, together.

Thank you.

Cynda P. Heward, CFRE  
President & CEO





“... we have been impressed by the excellent workmanship and obvious care that went into their design and construction.”

*-Jewish General Hospital*



Beautiful masks!  
Quality is outstanding!

Thank you so very much.

Lol. If you knew the amount of requests I get daily for your masks..... wow

Doctors, nurses and support staff pics. They wanted me to say a big THANK YOU and they love the fact that you are acknowledging them.

They LOVE YOU ALL

The staff and their family wear your masks with pride. We can never thank you all enough.





Chinese Hospital

M. Tho NGUYEN  
CSS Montreal

Objet : Sincères remerciements

M. Nguyen,

De la part de nos résidents et de notre personnel, nous tenons à vous remercier pour votre don précieux de masques réutilisables à l'Hôpital Chinois de Montréal qui est, en ce moment, dans la bataille mondiale sans précédent et marquant l'histoire contre la COVID-19.

“On behalf of the Board of Governors, our dedicated care team and the children we proudly treat, we want to express our gratitude to you during this challenging time.”

*-Shriners Hospital for children*

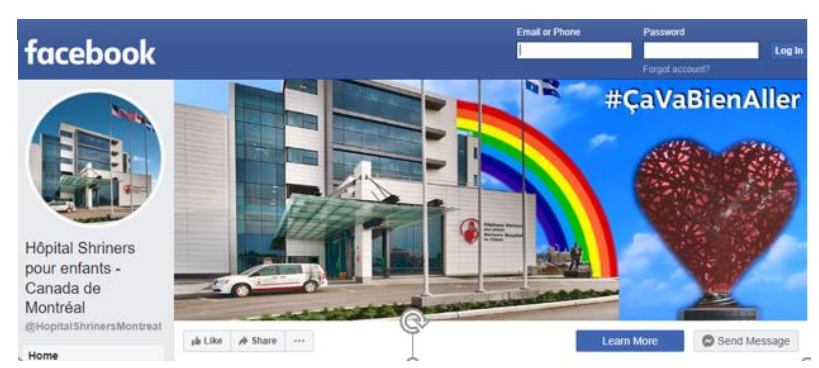
“The masks received will be donated to the patient to receive radiotherapy and dialysis.”

*-CHUM*

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Marie-Josée Poirier



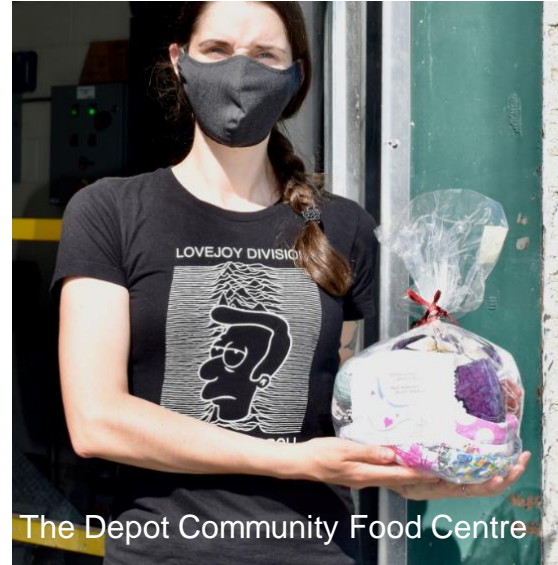
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“On behalf of everyone at The Depot Community Food Centre, I just wanted to thank you and the *Compassionate Service Society* for the lovely hand-sewn masks that were gifted to our team! They are greatly appreciated. We have all been using them since they were delivered, and they have definitely improved our sense of security while at work. Plus, they are so well-made and comfortable which is so important when you are wearing a mask all day long.”



The Depot Community Food Centre

 **The Open Door / La Porte Ouverte MTL**  
 April 21 at 1:30 PM · 🌐

Don't forget to smile, because even with a mask it still shows in your eyes! 😊👁️❤️  
 N'oubliez pas de sourire, même avec un masque ça se voit encore dans vos yeux! 👁️❤️

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The Open Door







The Mask of Love Project stops here and says goodbye.



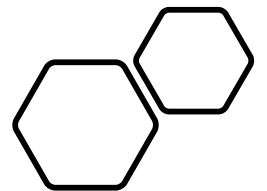


From the beginning of March until now, the program has gathered the contributions of a total of 38 persons.





Starting with self-cut masks with materials available in the family, the project started with Ms. Nhi and Ms. Chi, who worked hard with creativity, starting the movement and creating a network that gradually expanded and spread everywhere.







Overcoming the difficulties of material scarcity during the COVID epidemic, the project will always remember the enthusiastic help of Ms. Quyên, Mr. Dũng, Ms. Phụng, Ms. Trinh and many other sponsors who wholeheartedly contributed with their talents. Their search for fabric and elastics made the production of these masks possible.





Ms. Trinh



Ms. Phụng

Both Ms. Phung and Ms. Trinh have contributed to the making of the masks and the search for valuable material.





And here are some of the faces behind the making of the masks of love.





Ms. Ân



Chi An

Ms. Hoa





Ms. Phi



Ms. Hồng







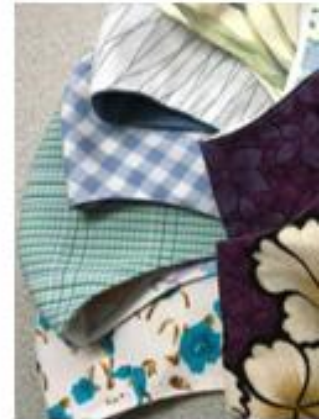
Ms. Bạch Liên



Ms. Phi



Ms. Mai









Before reaching the hands of users, the loving masks go through many stages: fabric laundry, cutting, sewing, drying, ironing, cutting threads, checking for mistakes and finishing products.







Ms. Quỳnh

The masks of love had become a family activity, connecting family members. Grandparents and grandchildren, mothers and children, husbands and wives had the opportunity to work together.



Ms. Quỳnh Như





Mrs. Huân (Mother of Thủy)



Ms. Nguyễn Hạnh (Daughter of Hương)





Mr. Tùng

The masks spread love everywhere. Let's not forget to mention the great contributions of the drivers.



Mr. Nam



Ms. Diệu Minh

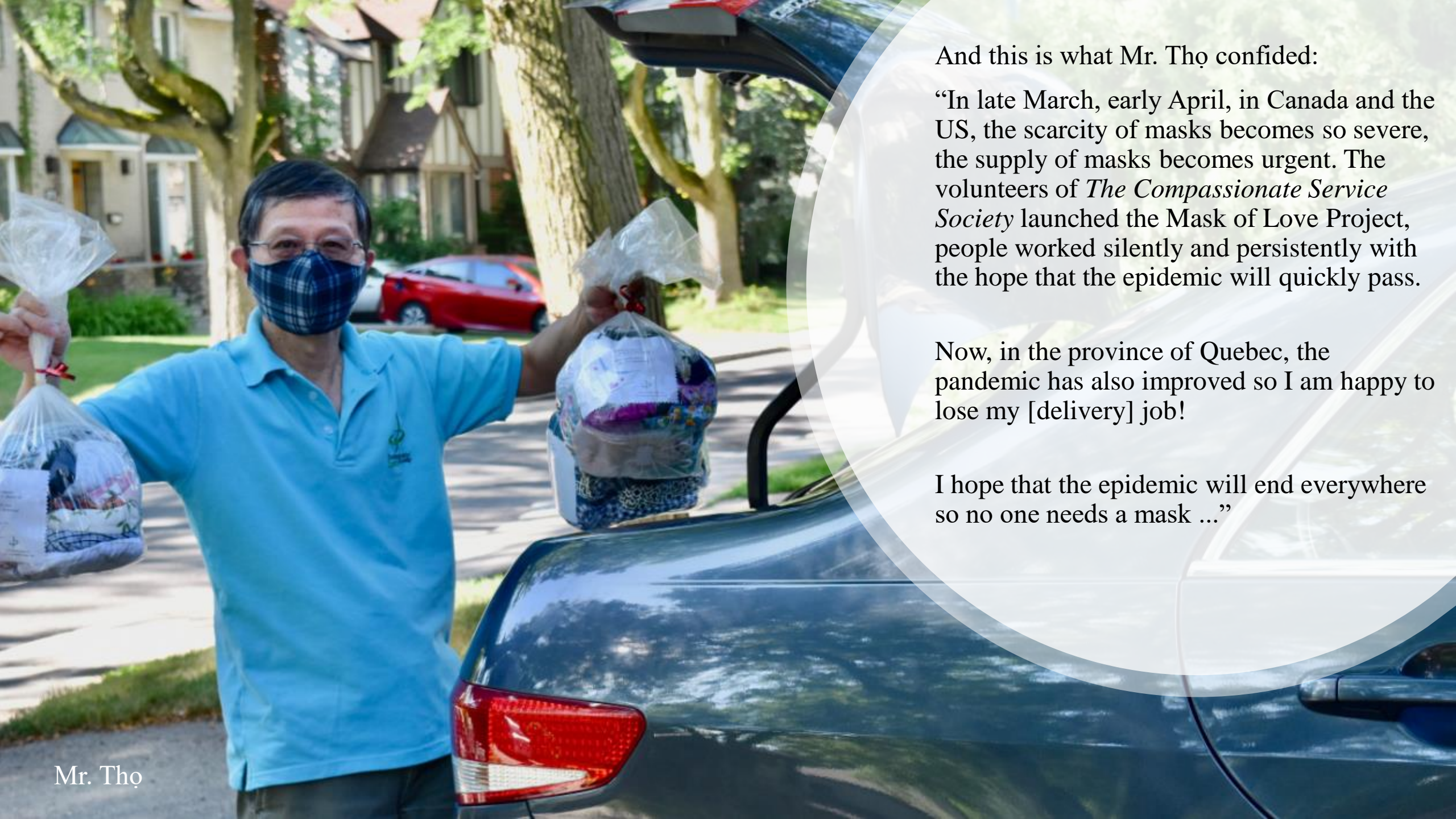


Ms. Thủy Tề



Ms. Phụng





And this is what Mr. Thọ confided:

“In late March, early April, in Canada and the US, the scarcity of masks becomes so severe, the supply of masks becomes urgent. The volunteers of *The Compassionate Service Society* launched the Mask of Love Project, people worked silently and persistently with the hope that the epidemic will quickly pass.

Now, in the province of Quebec, the pandemic has also improved so I am happy to lose my [delivery] job!

I hope that the epidemic will end everywhere so no one needs a mask ...”





Ms. Trà



Ms. Ngọc



In the end, these two members of the group worked persistently until the project came to a close.

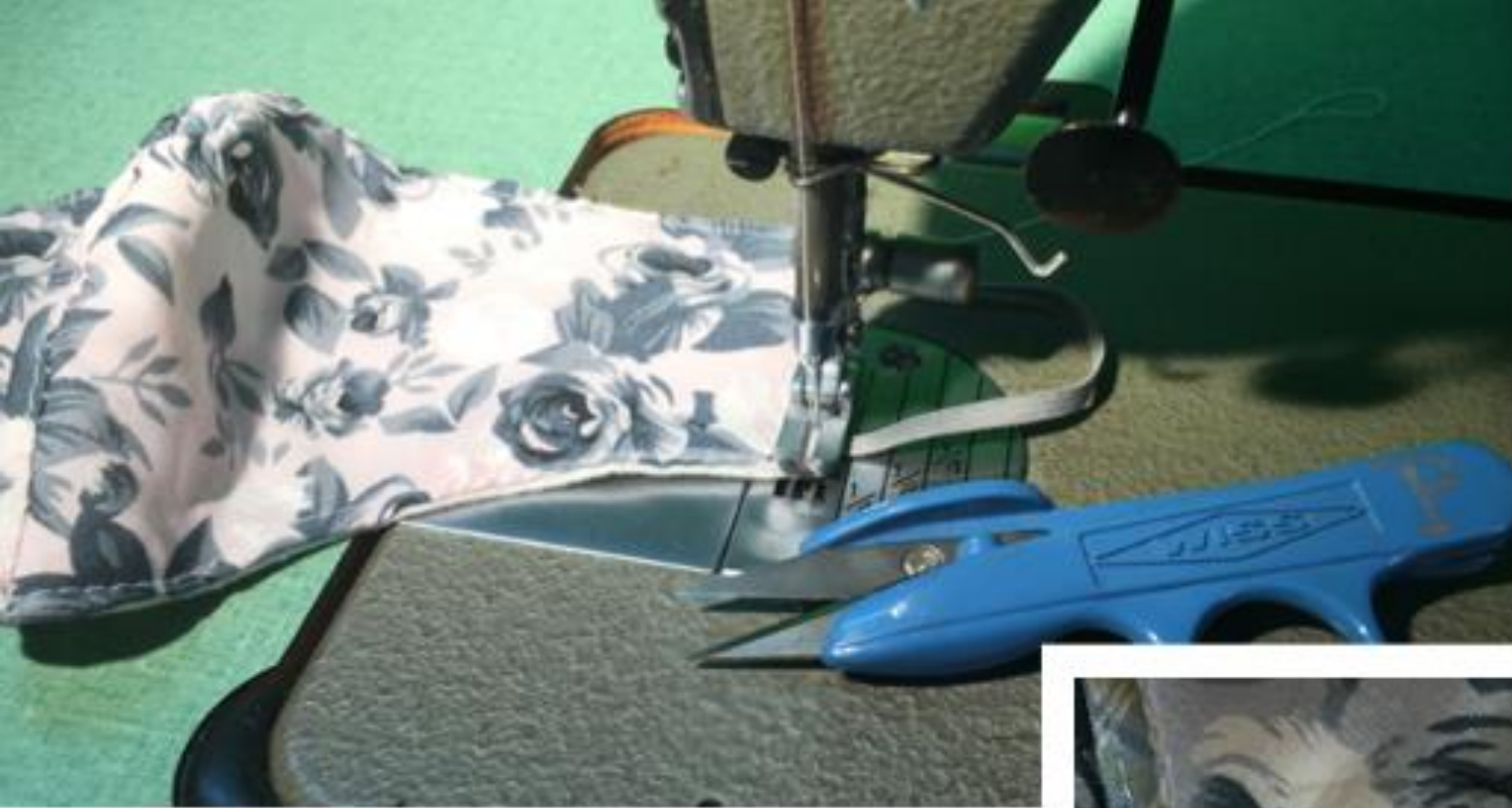


# With gratitude, we remember forever.



With tolerance, Canada - the second home country of Vietnamese refugees - has extended its welcoming arms and dedicated itself to supporting us Vietnamese in all aspects. From our arrival to the present day, Canada has helped us all to have a stable, free and wonderful life.





And the Mask of Love Project partly fulfilled the wish to repay the assistance of this beautiful free country full of love, as well as show concern, gratitude and love for community members and for Health Care Professionals who have been working relentlessly and enduring repeated sacrifices.



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Even though the situation has improved in Canada, until a reliable vaccine could be put in place, we must always remind each other to comply with governmental hygiene measures laws.

The Masks of Love are always proud to accompany you to every places of activities, from offices to shopping malls, markets and parks.

The road to serve the community is still very long, but masks are no longer rare. The Mask of Love Project stops here and says goodbye. See you again in the next social service program.

