

Dear COVID 19 Committee Members,

I am a long time volunteer in the N/NE Portland community. I would like to suggest the committee do the following:

1. Create a volunteer task force: to help in the preventing the spread:

In times of war, the country went for draft. This is no less than a war. We cannot win it unless every individual, institution and sector of the state/country and world does not come together to provide their skills, resources and ideas to contribute to a solution.

For personal protective equipment there are groups that are eager to stitch cloth masks.

2. Education and Research: Train and use the resources of our young people.

Direct OHSU's Master's in Public Health department to start a program to research, collect data and publish experiences using the guidelines of the solidarity trials that WHO has instituted. Biology students from PSU, OSU and University of Oregon can be recruited to do summer internships or volunteer their time.

Special courses at PSU can be designed by faculty to address this challenge as students gear up to study online until fall.

High school students interested in STEM fields and Medical fields can also be recruited. I would be happy to be part of this effort.

Thank you

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