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Brothers & Sisters:

I have received a new coronavirus update from the BPD. Currently, vehicle cleaning kits are being distributed to Patrol for all of the active Patrol cars in the Districts. These supplies have also been given to several Units and Divisions and it is expected that all will see supplies in short order. The Department has assured me that they have obtained a pipeline of supplies to help clean, disinfect, and protect you as much as possible.

Major Rhoden and his staff are the points of contact for anything coronavirus related. If you have questions or need supplies related to this situation, it is requested that you contact your Supervisors and have them submit the question, or request the supplies (24x7) at:

[preparedness@baltimorepolice.org](mailto:preparedness@baltimorepolice.org)

Of the questions we are receiving at the Lodge, the following are two of the most asked, other than the request for supplies. They are:

Has the City declared a State of Emergency?

No, the City has not!

Are we going to 12-hour shifts?

A decision to go to 12-hour shifts has not been made as of now.

I will be in daily contact with Command and I will update you as I get more information with regard to this very fluid situation.

Take care of one another!

Mike