

Hello BOS members, and others:

please take this is potentially helpful advice from someone that is an insider (from a distance) into your counties criminal justice system. And for the sake of privacy don't run my last name against a roster of employees (ok, you are going to anyway but try to keep it confidential) Your court system is a prime location for very close interaction between people that have no training or experience in wearing protective devices. The incubation period is around 7-10 days. That means asymptomatic persons are spreading the virus. This includes police department, booking areas, cruisers, jail, courtroom, etc. Your staff in both sides of advocacy (prosec. and defense) is in a bare bones situation on a good day. If you lose 25-50% it will be a disaster. You can't really let felons out in most cases, but the usual low level misdemeanors should not really end up as a death sentence for people who are at high risk because of drug addiction, (substance abuse disorder for you liberals) malnutrition, living on the street or in a box somewhere, etc. Some of the felons serving time or in pretrial for non-violent offences could potentially be temporarily paroled/bailed until this emergency is over. The key is getting the contact distances down and reducing the population density in jail, court, etc. The resources in your local hospitals are very scarce and not up to handling a major influx of patients who need to be on a ventilator. Especially if any of them are "in custody"

Good luck and thank you for your public service.

Unrelated but you have a relatively local company making "intubation boxes" which might be helpful for your local hospital the link is [thaliabox.com](http://thaliabox.com)  
I am working a similar project on the East coast.  
If I can provide any help my cell is [413-530-7114](tel:413-530-7114)  
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