

## **'THE HOME FRONT'**

*A Unique Collaborative Video Project  
Documenting personal experiences of living through the COVID-19 pandemic*

### **FILMING BRIEF**

To film your day-to-day occurrences, routines and thoughts during the COVID-19 pandemic, using your phone or camera, through video-diaries and other shots. These may be one-off moments, or an on-going scenario. If the latter (or if you're enjoying the experience!) please send us regular updates.

### **HOW TO FILM**

- Settings: please choose 1080p, 25FPS if you have the option
- **HOLD YOUR PHONE LANDSCAPE** (sideways, NOT upright)
- Use the most up to date phone / tablet you have access to
- Keep your phone steady, don't wave it around – use a tripod if you have one.
- Don't use your zoom – physically move closer or further way
- Hold each shot for at least 5 seconds
- When you start recording wait 3 seconds before you start talking
- Please try to keep each clip length to no more than 60 seconds
- Try to avoid music playing in the background (unless specifically playing/dancing)

### **WHAT TO FILM**

(hold your phone LANDSCAPE)

**VIDEO DIARIES** (talk straight to your camera, keep close up) – choose a couple of these suggested questions, talk honestly and openly:

- What day is it?
- Describe yourself briefly
- Where do you live?
- Who do you live with?
- What is it like all being at home together?
- What is it like being alone?
- How easily are you getting food?
- What is your work? How hard is it to do under challenging circumstances?
- If you're a key worker – how was your day?
- What is the latest coronavirus news?
- How are you feeling? Why? (scared, worried, anxious, vulnerable, cherishing being home, enjoying time with kids, frustrated, angry, claustrophobic?)
- Are you ill? If so, how are you feeling? / Do you have ill family/ friends?
- What are your fears for the future?
- What acts of kindness have you witnessed?
- What good / fun / happiness are you experiencing

## **EXTRA SHOTS**

(Hold your phone LANDSCAPE)

Choose a few from the below:

- The outside of your house
- Making meals – cooking achievements / failures and eating
- Trying to work from home
- Views from your window
- Others in your household who are isolating
- Exercising
- Hand washing / house cleaning
- Talking to family / friends on Skype / Facetime
- Getting dressed / make-up
- Key workers getting into uniforms
- Quiet times at home
- Watching the news
- Home schooling attempts
- Funny moments
- Angry / sad moments
- Family laughter / Family feuds
- Playing instruments / games / music
- Dancing
- Gardening
- Pets
- Wake ups / alarm clocks
- Bed-time / lights out
- IF you can go out: empty streets, shopping, driving to work, supporting your community
- Sunrises / sunsets

### **IF YOU OWN A GO-PRO:**

Leave it recording in the corner of a room while you go about your day (so we can speed it up as a 'time lapse')

Attach it to your chest and film as you cook / work / garden / walk / run etc

See next page for T&C's and how to send footage to us.

## **HOW TO SEND YOUR FOOTAGE TO US:**

If possible, please **LABEL** your clips before you send them:

**NAME/ CLIP NUMER / COUNTY /DATE** (e.g.: A.Name / 1 / London / 23.2.20)

(These details will not be published in the films – they are for logging purposes)

EMAIL your labelled clips to [video@millrivertv.com](mailto:video@millrivertv.com) . **Please include your name, age, contact details and a signed copy of the attached Contributor Release Form (ONE for each household, BUT PLEASE INCLUDE ALL NAMES & please everyone sign the form. Parents/Carers to sign for children under 18).**

If your videos are too big to email, please send them via WeTransfer.com to [video@millrivertv.com](mailto:video@millrivertv.com) (which is free and simple to use) with name, age, contact details and a signed copy of the attached Contributor Release Form.

Thank you so much for taking part in this exciting national video project!

## **TERMS & CONDITIONS:**

- Please **FILL IN, SIGN** and **EMAIL** us the attached Contributor Release Form to allow us, Mill River TV, permission to use your video within 'The Home Front' project. We'll need a form for every member of your household who appears on camera. Signatures must ideally be hand-written. If you do not have access to a printer-scanner then you can add a digital signature
- When emailing any footage please include your name and contact phone number or parent / legal guardian name and contact number if you're under 18. Please do not include other personal details. We will hold your personal details in accordance with GDPR, to be used solely for 'The Home Front' project and kept no longer than two years.
- If you are **UNDER 18** you **MUST** seek permission from your parents / legal guardians before sharing your videos – please ask them to sign the attached form.
- This is an unfunded project and there is no payment available for video submissions. Should we gain funding, profits will be donated to NHS Charities Together.

Finally, due to the volume of footage we hope to receive, we can't guarantee that your footage will feature in the final film (s).

*Thank you*

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