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City, County Confirm New COVID-19 Related Deaths

LAREDO, Texas—The City of Laredo and Webb County have confirmed five new deaths in Webb County related to COVID-19. The City and County want to express their most sincere condolences to the families of those who have lost a loved one and want them to know that our counselors and our teams are available to support them.

298th death is a female in her mid-70s. She passed away on Wednesday, September 30, 2020.

299th death is a female in her early-90s. She passed away on Thursday, August 27, 2020.

300th death is a female in her late-40s. She passed away on Friday, August 28, 2020.

301th death is a female in her early-70s. She passed away on Wednesday, September 30, 2020.

302nd death is a male in his early-60s. He passed away on Wednesday, September 30, 2020.

Stay home if you are sick and call your doctor. Do not go to the doctor's office, call your doctor first. If it is an emergency, call 9-1-1.

As of **11:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 1, 2020**, a total of 56,609 people have been tested, 14,000 have resulted positive (441 are active), 13,257 persons have estimated recovered, 76 are currently hospitalized (39 of which are in the ICU), hospitalization rate is 21.23% and 302 have died.

In order to safeguard legally-protected information, the City of Laredo is not publically releasing personal or identifiable information regarding any cases as it relates to COVID-19 testing, results or monitoring.

Please continue to do your part in preventing the spread of all diseases. Follow the guidelines below:

- Follow CDC and WHO guidelines and practice physical distancing
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Hand sanitizer can be used when soap and water are not readily available
- Wear a mask or face covering
- Avoid touching your face
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Stay home when you're sick
- Cover all coughs and sneezes
- Clean frequently-touched surfaces

Visit www.cityoflaredo.com/coronavirus and www.webbcountytx.gov for up-to-date information regarding COVID-19.

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