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City, County Confirm New COVID-19 Related Deaths

LAREDO, Texas – The City of Laredo and Webb County have **TWO** confirmed death 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 through this pandemic and want them to know that counselors and teams are available to support them.

- The 966th death of a Webb County resident was a female in her early-60s. She died on Saturday, October 16, 2021.
- The 967th death of a Webb County resident was a male in his early-90s. He died on Monday, October 18, 2021.

As of 4:00 PM on Monday, October 18, 2021, a total of: 434,550 people have been tested; 52,777 have resulted positive; 177 are estimated active **as of 10/18/2021 (10/16/2021: 226; 10/17/2021: 194)**.

- 49 cases are below the age of 17
- 47 cases are between the ages of 18-30
- 48 cases are between the ages 31-49
- 33 cases are above the age of 50
- Of the active investigated, 115 cases are not vaccinated (65.71%)
- 86 total year to date vaccine breakthrough cases

Furthermore, 51,633 are estimated recovered (**10/16/2021: 51,560; 10/17/2021: 51,599**); 17 are currently hospitalized; 8 of those in the COVID ICU. The hospitalization rate is at 2.71% as of **10/18/21** and 967 people have died.

- Population 12+ vaccinated with at least one dose: 234,823
- Population 12+ who are fully vaccinated: 196,046
- Population 65+ vaccinated with at least one dose: 26,893
- Additional dose: 8,775

In order to safeguard legally-protected information, the City of Laredo is not publicly releasing personal or identifiable information regarding any cases as it relates to COVID-19, results or monitoring. Stay home if you are sick and call your doctor. Do not go to the doctor's office, call them first. If it is an emergency, call 9-1-1. 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 (if you are unvaccinated)
- Avoid touching your face
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Stay home when you are 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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