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THURSDAY, August 20, 2020

City, County Confirm New COVID-19 Related Deaths

LAREDO, Texas—The City of Laredo and Webb County have confirmed three more deaths in Webb County related to COVID-19. The City and County want to express their most sincere condolences to the families and want them to know that our counselors and our teams are available to support them.

The 213th death of a Webb County resident was a male in his mid-70s. He died on Wednesday, August 19, 2020.

The 214th death of a Webb County resident was a female in her mid-50s. She died on Wednesday, August 19, 2020.

The 215th death of a Webb County resident was a male in his late 60s. He died on Thursday, August 20, 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 **1:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 20, 2020**, a total of 28,434 people have been tested, 10,047 have resulted positive (1,103 are active), 212 test results are pending, 8,882 persons have estimated recovered, 153 are currently hospitalized (63 of which are in the ICU), six patients are currently admitted at the alternate care site, and 215 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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