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City, County Confirm New COVID-19 Related Deaths

LAREDO, Texas—The City of Laredo and Webb County have confirmed 5 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 93rd COVID-19 death of a Webb County resident was a male in his late 50s with underlying health conditions. The person died at his home on Thursday, July 23, 2020.

The 94th COVID-19 death of a Webb County resident was a female in her early 70s with underlying health conditions. The person died at Laredo Medical Center on Thursday, July 23, 2020.

The 95th COVID-19 death of a Webb County resident was a male in his late 30s with underlying health conditions. The person died at Laredo Medical Center on Friday, July 24, 2020.

The 96th COVID-19 death of a Webb County resident was a female in her late 70s with underlying health conditions. The person died at Laredo Medical Center on Friday, July 24, 2020.

The 97th COVID-19 death of a Webb County resident was a male in his mid-90s with underlying health conditions. The person died at Laredo Nursing and Rehabilitation Center on Sunday, July 19, 2020.

The City of Laredo Health Department continues to conduct contact investigation on persons who have tested positive to determine possible exposure to others. If the health department has not contacted you, there is no need to take any action at this time. If you feel ill, please contact your physician and monitor your symptoms.

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 **12:00 p.m. on Friday, July 24, 2020**, a total of 15,533 people have been tested, 9,668 people have resulted negative, 4,872 have resulted positive (3,599 are active), 993 test results are pending, 1,176 persons have recovered, 160 are currently hospitalized (60 of which are in the ICU), and 97 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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