



PRESS RELEASE

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SUNDAY, August 16, 2020

City, County Confirm New COVID-19 Related Deaths

LAREDO, Texas—The City of Laredo and Webb County have confirmed two 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 192nd death of a Webb County resident was a female in her late 60s. She died on Saturday, August 15, 2020.

The 193rd death of a Webb County resident was a male in his early 80s. He died on Saturday, August 15, 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 **12:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 16, 2020**, a total of 25,687 people have been tested, 15,085 people have resulted negative, 9,552 have resulted positive (2,373 are active), 1,050 test results are pending, 6,986 persons have estimated recovered, 178 are currently hospitalized (71 of which are in the ICU), seven patients are currently admitted at the alternate care site, and 193 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.webbcountytexas.gov for up-to-date information regarding COVID-19.



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