



**PRESS RELEASE**  
**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
**MONDAY, August 17, 2020**

## **City, County Confirm New COVID-19 Related Deaths**

**LAREDO, Texas**—The City of Laredo and Webb County have confirmed nine 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 194th death of a Webb County resident was a female in her mid-60s. She died on Friday, August 14, 2020.

The 195th death of a Webb County resident was a male in his early 70s. He died on Saturday, August 15, 2020.

The 196th death of a Webb County resident was a male in his mid-30s. He died on Sunday, August 16, 2020.

The 197th death of a Webb County resident was a male in his early 70s. He died on Sunday, August 16, 2020.

The 198th death of a Webb County resident was a male in his early 80s. He died on Sunday, August 16, 2020.

The 199th death of a Webb County resident was a male in his early 80s. He died on Monday, August 17, 2020.

The 200th death of a Webb County resident was a male in his late 40s. He died on Monday, August 17, 2020.

The 201st death of a Webb County resident was a female in her mid-50s. She died on Monday, August 17, 2020.

The 202nd death of a Webb County resident was a female in her late 70s. She died on Monday, August 17, 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 Monday, August 17, 2020**, a total of 25,948 people have been tested, 9,646 have resulted positive (1,997 are active), 7,447 persons have estimated recovered, 174 are currently hospitalized (72 of which are in the ICU), seven patients are currently admitted at the alternate care site, and 202 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](http://www.cityoflaredo.com/coronavirus) and [www.webbcountytexas.gov](http://www.webbcountytexas.gov) for up-to-date information regarding COVID-19.

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