



PRESS RELEASE
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TUESDAY, August 18, 2020

City, County Confirm New COVID-19 Related Deaths

LAREDO, Texas—The City of Laredo and Webb County have confirmed five 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 203rd death of a Webb County resident was a male in his mid-80s. He died on Sunday, July 26, 2020.

The 204th death of a Webb County resident was a male in his mid-50s. He died on Monday, August 17, 2020.

The 205th death of a Webb County resident was a female in her mid-70s. She died on Tuesday, August 18, 2020.

The 206th death of a Webb County resident was a female in her mid-60s. She died on Tuesday, August 18, 2020.

The 207th death of a Webb County resident was a female in her early 80s. She died on Tuesday, August 18, 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 **12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 18, 2020**, a total of 26,853 people have been tested, 9,857 have resulted positive (1,700 are active), 248 test results are pending, 7,950 persons have estimated recovered, 164 are currently hospitalized (68 of which are in

the ICU), six patients are currently admitted at the alternate care site, and 207 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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