



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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**WEDNESDAY, August 19, 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 208th death of a Webb County resident was a female in her early 70s. She died on Tuesday, August 18, 2020.

The 209th death of a Webb County resident was a female in her late 80s. She died on Tuesday, August 18, 2020.

The 210th death of a Webb County resident was a male in his early 90s. He died on Saturday, August 15, 2020.

The 211th death of a Webb County resident was a female in her late 50s. She died on Wednesday, August 19, 2020.

The 212th death of a Webb County resident was a male in his early 70s. He 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 **12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 19, 2020**, a total of 27,547 people have been tested, 9,957 have resulted positive (1,414 are active), 234 test results are pending, 8,482 persons have estimated recovered, 151 are currently hospitalized (61 of which are in

the ICU), six patients are currently admitted at the alternate care site, and 212 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.webbcountytx.gov](http://www.webbcountytx.gov) for up-to-date information regarding COVID-19.



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