COVID-19 PERIODIC UPDATE

September 21, 2020

Greetings from the offices of the Bee County Judge and the Mayor of the City of Beeville. In an effort to reduce the length of this update, we have removed information on previous daily updates. Please know that you can access the full text of all prior daily updates on our Bee OEM Facebook page.

We have **less than 50** active COVID-19 cases in Bee County!

GUIDANCE FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES

The simple steps everyone can take to help prevent spreading the virus:

Wear a cloth face covering (over the nose and mouth);

Practice social distancing by staying at least six feet away;

Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds;

If soap and water are not available, use a 60% alcohol-based hand sanitizer;

Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands;

Avoid close contact with people who are sick;

Stay home when you are sick;

Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash;

Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces; and

Stay at home and stop the spread of coronavirus.

CASE UPDATE

Total Bee County confirmed community cases (i.e. <u>not</u> TDCJ inmates): 1221

Total new cases reported today: 29

On September 18, 2020, DSHS notified Bee County of 20 additional community case. On September 19, 2020, DSHS notified Bee County of zero additional community cases. And, on September 20, 2020, DSHS notified Bee County of 9 additional community cases.

All new cases are listed below:

Female in her 20s Male in his 40s Male in his 20s

Male in his 20s Male in his 50s Female in her 30s

Female in her 50s	Male in his 20s	Male in his 50s
Female in her 10s	Female in her 30s	Male in his 10s
Female in her 20s	Male in his 10s	Male in his 80s
Female in her 70s	Male in his 10s	Female in her 20s
Female in her 10s	Male in his 20s	Female in her 20s
Male in his 30s	Female in her 50s	Female in her 80s
Male between 0-9	Male in his 20s	Female in her 60s
Female in her 30s	Female in her 60s	

DSHS DASHBOARD SUMMARY

As of 4:30 p.m. today, September 21, 2020, according to the Texas Department of State Health Services ("DSHS") Dashboard, Bee County currently has

26 active cases;

1,778 recovered cases; and

1,834 total cases (non-prisoner and prisoner) since tracking began.

The Dashboard also reflects 30 fatalities in Bee County.

Bee County is situated in DSHS Region 11. Region 11 tracks non-inmate COVID-19 cases in Bee County, including contact tracing and quarantine management. The DSHS Dashboard, on the other hand, is maintained by DSHS in Austin, and in Austin, DSHS counts both non-inmate and inmate cases together. We understand that the Dashboard numbers do not always align with our confirmed cases and, like today, might not even add up. We have no control over the DSHS Dashboard.

Region 11 of DSHS will not provide Bee County with any confirmation or information of Bee County COVID-19 deaths; that information will be published by DSHS on its Dashboard only.

With respect to COVID-19 deaths, DSHS reports the following dates of death for each of the <u>30 fatalities</u> of Bee Countians: 1 on July 4; 1 on July 6; 2 on July 13; 2 on July 16; 2 on July 21; 1 on July 24; 1 on July 28; 1 on August 1; 1 on

August 2; 1 on August 5; 1 on August 6; 2 on August 9; 1 on August 11; 1 on August 12; 1 on August 13; 1 on August 14; 1 on August 15; 1 on August 16; 1 on August 17; 2 on August 25; 1 on August 28; 1 on September 1; 1 on September 2; 1 on September 3; and 1 on September 11.

TDCJ DASHBOARD SUMMARY

	Inmates		Employees		
Unit	Active	Recovered	Active	Recovered	Totals:
Garza East	0	0	0	0	0
Garza West	0	135	20	70	225
McConnell	2	476	23	125	626
Totals:	2	611	43	195	851

The Texas Department of Criminal Justice ("TDCJ") Dashboard, reflects a total of 2 active inmate case, as set out above. The TDCJ Dashboard reflects 611 recovered inmate cases. These numbers are fluctuating downward and upward, whereas our community case count only increases, which impacts the confirmed total case count, but the larger data set of total cases means that the impact of the TDCJ fluctuation is less dramatic, but the issue persists.

The TDCJ Dashboard also reflects a total of 43 active employee cases. The TDCJ Dashboard reflects a total of 195 recovered employee cases.

With a total of 613 inmate cases (active and recovered), and 1221 community cases, the Bee County total is: 1,834 total cases since tracking began.

HOSPITALIZATION SUMMARY

As of 9:00 a.m. on September 18, 5 patients are hospitalized in Bee County with COVID-19, 1 females and 4 males. 4 of these patients are Bee County residents. Age ranges of the patients are:

Age Range	# of Patients
0-9	0
10-19	0
20-29	0
30-39	0
40-49	2
50-59	1

60-69	2
70-79	0
Over 80	0
Total:	5

Of the 5 patients, 1 is a TDCJ Inmate.

Additionally, 0 patients are on a ventilator at this time.

BEE COUNTY COVID-19 HOTLINE AND DRIVE-THROUGH TESTING FACILITY

Please contact our Hotline—361-492-5981—for COVID-19 questions and to conduct pre-screening interviews for COVID-19 testing at our Drive-Through Testing Facility.

PARTING SHOTS

Make no mistake, every time one of us lets our guard down, decides that the guidelines, orders, and reasonable requests do not apply to our particular situation—every time, we become a part of the pathway for COVID-19. Don't be part of the pathway; be a dead end, a stop sign, a barrier.

If you have read to the end, thank you.