

COVID-19 PERIODIC UPDATE

July 28, 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.

HURRICANE HANNA DAMAGE?

This is unrelated to COVID-19. Last weekend, Hurricane Hanna made landfall. Although the storm tracked southwest of Bee County, we still received some rain and wind. If you have sustained damage as a result of Hurricane Hanna, please go to the following website to report such damage to your home or business: <https://arcg.is/0C8GSj>.

CASE UPDATE

Total Bee County confirmed community cases: **341**

Total new cases reported today: **10**

On July 27, 2020, DSHS notified Bee County of 10 additional community cases (i.e. not TDCJ inmates), all of which are listed below:

Female in her 40's	Male in his 40's
Male in his 50's	Female between 0-9
Male in his 80's	Male in his 20's
Female in her 50's	Male in his 60's
Male in his 10's	Female in her 90's

DSHS DASHBOARD SUMMARY

As of 4:00 p.m. today, July 28, 2020, according to the Texas Department of State Health Services ("DSHS") dashboard, Bee County currently has

224 active cases;
169 recovered cases; and
417 total cases (non-prisoner and prisoner) since tracking began.

The dashboard also reflects 7 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.

TDCJ DASHBOARD SUMMARY

The Texas Department of Criminal Justice (“TDCJ”) Dashboard, reflects a total of 59 active cases—38 in the McConnell Unit, 15 in the Garza West Unit, and 6 in the Garza East Unit. The TDCJ Dashboard reflects 17 “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.

With a total of 76 inmate cases (active and recovered), and 341 community cases, the Bee County total is: **417 total cases since tracking began.**

HOSPITALIZATION SUMMARY

As of 4:00 p.m. today, 23 patients are hospitalized in Bee County with COVID-19, 6 females and 17 males. 13 of these patients are Bee County residents. Age ranges of the patients are: 1 between 20-29; 2 between 30-39; 5 between 40-49; 5 between 50-59; 5 between 60-69; 3 between 70-79; and 2 over 80.

ADDITIONAL DATA POINT

According to DSHS, the current total confirmed cases per 1,000 persons in Texas is at about 13.25. Stated otherwise, 13.25 out of every 1,000 Texans has or have had COVID-19. In Bee County, our ratio is a bit lower, at about 12.25 out of every 1,000 Bee Countians.

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.