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Second person in Hidalgo County dies after testing positive for COVID-19 virus

EDINBURG – A 66-year-old McAllen man with underlying medical conditions became the second person in Hidalgo County to die after testing positive for the COVID-19 virus, Hidalgo County Judge Richard F. Cortez said Wednesday.

“We should all feel a sense of sadness that another member of our community has died,” Judge Cortez said. “My sincere condolences go out to this man’s family.”

The unidentified man’s death comes on a day when eight more people in Hidalgo County have tested positive for the contagious disease. This brings the total number of people in Hidalgo County who have tested positive to 225, Judge Cortez said. This includes 32 people who are in area hospitals, six of them in intensive care units.

Another two people have been released from isolation meaning they have shown no symptoms for ten days, including no fever for the last three days. This brings the total number of people who have been released from isolation to 39.

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Affected mayors have been notified of the new cases, as has the Hidalgo County Commissioners, Judge Cortez said. All of the new positive cases and their families living in the same home have been ordered into isolation.

Those learning of their positive tests on Wednesday include:

Gender	City	Age range
Male	Weslaco	70s
Male	Mission	20s
Male	McAllen	30s
Female	Edinburg	20s
Female	Alamo	20s
Female	Mercedes	50s
Male	Edinburg	40s
Male	Weslaco	60s

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