



## Hidalgo County Commissioners Court

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## NEWS RELEASE

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Thursday, May 21, 2020

### **Five more people in Hidalgo County test positive for COVID-19**

**EDINBURG** – Hidalgo County health officials reported five more people tested positive for COVID-19, bringing the total number of known cases of the virus to 472, Hidalgo County Judge Richard F. Cortez said Thursday.

“Don’t let this serve as an indication to let your guard down,” said Cortez. “We continue to encourage physical distancing, face coverings and good hygiene -- especially as we approach Memorial Day weekend.”

Twelve people remain hospitalized with complications from the virus; three of those cases are being treated in intensive care units. Eleven people were released from isolation meaning that they have been symptom free for 10 days, including three days without a fever. There are currently 187 active cases.

<b>New COVID-19 positive cases Wednesday</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Total COVID-19 positive cases in Hidalgo County</b>	<b>472</b>
<b>Number in Hidalgo County hospitals on Thursday</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Number of hospitalized patients in intensive care units</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Number released from isolation on Thursday</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Total released from isolation</b>	<b>275</b>
<b>Number of fatalities on Thursday</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total number of fatalities</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Net active cases</b>	<b>187</b>
<b>Total number of COVID-19 tests administered</b>	<b>8,002</b>
<b>Total number of tests that are positive</b>	<b>472</b>
<b>Total number of tests that are negative</b>	<b>6,914</b>
<b>Total number of tests pending results</b>	<b>616</b>

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**The 5 new cases include:**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Age range</b>
Female	Edinburg	60s
Female	McAllen	40s
Female	Pharr	20s
Female	McAllen	60s
Female	Alton	50s

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