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Thursday, June 4, 2020

Forty-five more people test positive for COVID-19 in Hidalgo County

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EDINBURG – Forty-five more people in Hidalgo County learned that they have tested positive for COVID-19, the largest single day increase since the virus was first detected locally, Hidalgo County Judge Richard F. Cortez said Thursday. That brings the total number of known cases in the county to 679 people.

“We have been saying for days that we knew an increase in positive cases was coming,” Judge Cortez said. “When you test more people, you will find more people who are infected. Today’s numbers are a reflection of the growing availability of testing locally, but also a grim reminder that this virus is still out there and can still infect us. As Governor Greg Abbott continues to loosen restrictions on our activities, we strongly urge caution around crowds.”

In addition to private testing, the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley and the State of Texas have greatly expanded the availability of testing in Hidalgo County. Nearly 22,500 tests have now been administered in Hidalgo County. There are currently 1,400 roughly tests in which the results are pending and, in some cases, have been pending for weeks.

Because of more aggressive testing throughout Texas, there has been a delay in getting results so the large numbers of new positive cases often reflects several days worth of testing and does not necessarily reflect any rapid increase in the rate of infection.

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New COVID-19 positive cases Thursday	45
Total COVID-19 positive cases in Hidalgo County	679
Number in Hidalgo County hospitals on Thursday	34
Number of hospitalized patients in intensive care units	3
Number released from isolation on Thursday	21
Total released from isolation	407
Number of fatalities on Thursday	0
Total number of fatalities	11
Net active cases	260
Total number of COVID-19 tests administered	22,537
Total number of tests that are positive	679
Total number of tests that are negative	20,463
Total number of tests pending results	1,395

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The 45 new cases include:

Gender	City	Age range
Male	Edinburg	30s
Male	Undisclosed	70+
Female	Mission	50s
Female	Undisclosed	<20
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Male	Undisclosed	<20
Female	Mission	50s
Male	Pharr	60s
Male	Alamo	30s
Female	Mission	60s
Male	Edinburg	60s
Male	Undisclosed	20s
Male	Undisclosed	30s
Female	Undisclosed	<20
Male	Pharr	40s
Male	Undisclosed	70+
Male	McAllen	40s
Male	Pharr	20s
Male	Undisclosed	30s
Female	Pharr	20s
Male	Edinburg	60s

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