



## Hidalgo County Commissioners Court

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## NEWS RELEASE

### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Monday, June 8, 2020

## Twenty-six more people test positive for COVID-19 in Hidalgo County

**EDINBURG** – Twenty-six more people in Hidalgo County were confirmed positive for COVID-19, Hidalgo County Judge Richard F. Cortez said Monday. That brings the total number of known cases in the county to 759 people.

Of the 26 new cases, one included a county employee that works with the Health and Human Services Department. This employee was on leave when they tested positive and they never had contact with the public when they became infected.

More than 23,000 tests have been administered in Hidalgo County. There are currently 1,758 tests pending and a total of 324 active cases. Thirty-eight people have been hospitalized with complications from the virus; two of those cases are being treated in intensive care units.

“We appreciate the State's help with testing,” Judge Cortez said. “The numbers are rising, in part, because of increased testing. But that's only part of the equation. People need to know that they can still be infected if they don't follow safety guidelines like avoiding crowds and practicing good hygiene.

The state of Texas is offering testing in several locations this week. The free walk-in testing that does not require an appointment or pre-registration.

The following locations will offer free testing from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day:

| DATE           | DAY       | LOCATION                           |
|----------------|-----------|------------------------------------|
| <b>June 9</b>  | Tuesday   | San Juan Community Resource Center |
| <b>June 10</b> | Wednesday | Granjeno City Hall                 |
| <b>June 11</b> | Thursday  | Weslaco Isaac D. Rodriguez Park    |
| <b>June 12</b> | Friday    | La Joya Tabasco Elementary         |
| <b>June 13</b> | Saturday  | La Villa Youth Center              |

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| New COVID-19 positive cases Monday                      | 26     |
| Total COVID-19 positive cases in Hidalgo County         | 759    |
| Number in Hidalgo County hospitals on Monday            | 38     |
| Number of hospitalized patients in intensive care units | 2      |
| Number released from isolation on Monday                | 2      |
| Total released from isolation                           | 423    |
| Number of fatalities on Monday                          | 0      |
| Total number of fatalities                              | 12     |
| Net active cases  | 324    |
| Total number of COVID-19 tests administered             | 23,571 |
| Total number of tests that are positive                 | 679    |
| Total number of tests that are negative                 | 21,054 |
| Total number of tests pending results                   | 1,758  |

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The 26 new cases include:

| Gender      | City        | Age range |
|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| Female      | Edinburg    | <20       |
| Male        | Edinburg    | <20       |
| Male        | Edinburg    | <20       |
| Female      | Edinburg    | 40s       |
| Male        | McAllen     | <20       |
| Female      | McAllen     | 30s       |
| Female      | McAllen     | 40s       |
| Male        | McAllen     | 40s       |
| Female      | McAllen     | 50s       |
| Female      | McAllen     | 50s       |
| Male        | McAllen     | 50s       |
| Male        | Mercedes    | 50s       |
| Female      | Mission     | 30s       |
| Male        | Mission     | 30s       |
| Female      | Mission     | 40s       |
| Female      | Mission     | 50s       |
| Male        | Mission     | 50s       |
| Male        | Pharr       | 30s       |
| Female      | Pharr       | 40s       |
| Male        | Pharr       | 40s       |
| Male        | San Juan    | 20s       |
| Female      | San Juan    | 30s       |
| Male        | San Juan    | 30s       |
| Male        | San Juan    | 50s       |
| Female      | Undisclosed | <20       |
| Undisclosed | Undisclosed | <20       |

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