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NEWS RELEASE

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Tuesday, June 16, 2020

COVID-19 takes the lives of 2 more residents in Hidalgo County; another 143 test positive for the virus

EDINBURG – On a day when 143 more people tested positive for COVID-19, two others died from complications of the virus, Hidalgo County Richard F. Cortez said during a special Facebook Live announcement.

The deaths involved two women -- one in her 40s and one in her 70s -- from Mission, both who had underlying medical conditions.

"Today is going to be a very sad day for me," Judge Cortez said. "We're going to report that 143 people have tested positive -- and two more deaths. That means that 17 of our citizens have passed away because of this disease. I extend my sincere condolences to the family members who lost their loved ones on this tragic day."

The daily count brings the total number of known positive cases in Hidalgo County to 1,255. The previous single-day record for positive cases was set on June 11, when 70 residents tested positive. Out of the 143 positive cases on Tuesday, 121 were administered by the military on behalf of the state of Texas and reflects tests administered over three days.

"With all of this testing going on in the county, it is no surprise to us that we're finding more and more people," Judge Cortez said. But he emphasized that residents still have the ability to protect themselves. "Each one of you is a soldier in this war and have been equipped with the necessary tools and infrastructure to protect yourselves from this virus. Continue to practice good hygiene, physical distancing and using face coverings."

Sixty-seven people have been hospitalized with complications from the virus; eight of those cases are being treated in intensive care units. Fifty-three people were released from isolation on Tuesday meaning that they have been symptom-free for 10 days, including three days without a fever. There are currently 657 net active cases and 954 test results are pending.

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New COVID-19 positive case total for Tuesday	143
Total COVID-19 positive cases in Hidalgo County	1,255
Total Number in Hidalgo County hospitals Tuesday	67
Number of hospitalized patients in intensive care units	8
Number released from isolation Tuesday	53
Total released from isolation	579
Number of fatalities Tuesday	2
Total number of fatalities	17
Net active cases	659
Total number of COVID-19 tests administered	28,403
Total number of tests that are positive	1,255
Total number of tests that are negative	1,255
Total number of tests pending results	954

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The 143 new cases include:

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	Age Range	Gender	City		Age Range	Gender	City
1	20s	F	Pharr	28	30s	M	Hidalgo
2	60s	F	Pharr	29	40s	F	Undisclosed
3	0-19	M	McAllen	30	30s	M	McAllen
4	50s	F	San Juan	31	30s	M	Pharr
5	40s	M	McAllen	32	50s	F	Mission
6	30s	F	McAllen	33	30s	M	Mission
7	50s	F	McAllen	34	30s	M	Mission
8	50s	F	Mercedes	35	30s	M	Mission
9	30s	F	Edinburg	36	30s	F	Pharr
10	20s	M	Alton	37	30s	F	Edinburg
11	60s	M	McAllen	38	50s	M	Pharr
12	70+	M	Alamo	39	70+	M	Mission
13	40s	F	Weslaco	40	30s	M	Edinburg
14	70+	M	McAllen	41	60s	M	Mission
15	70+	M	Weslaco	42	20s	F	Alton
16	20s	F	San Juan	43	40s	F	Alamo
17	30s	F	Alton	44	40s	F	Mission
18	40s	F	Undisclosed	45	40s	F	Mission
19	50s	M	San Juan	46	0-19	M	Alton
20	50s	M	McAllen	47	0-19	F	Pharr
21	0-19	F	Edinburg	48	60s	F	Pharr
22	0-19	F	McAllen	49	50s	F	Pharr
23	30s	F	McAllen	50	0-19	F	Donna
24	60s	F	Pharr	51	30s	F	McAllen
25	30s	M	Donna	52	20s	M	Edinburg
26	30s	F	Undisclosed	53	30s	M	Edinburg
27	40s	M	McAllen	54	50s	F	Alamo

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56	40s	F	San Juan	83	20s	F	Pharr
57	30s	M	Weslaco	84	0-19	M	McAllen
58	0-19	F	Weslaco	85	20s	M	Mission
59	30s	F	Edinburg	86	20s	M	Mission
60	0-19	F	Weslaco	87	30s	M	Undisclosed
61	0-19	F	Weslaco	88	40s	M	Hidalgo
62	40s	F	Alamo	89	60s	F	San Juan
63	0-19	M	Edinburg	90	20s	F	Alton
64	0-19	F	Weslaco	91	20s	M	Undisclosed
65	0-19	F	Weslaco	92	20s	M	Mission
66	50s	F	Alamo	93	40s	F	Undisclosed
67	50s	F	McAllen	94	0-19	M	Edinburg
68	20s	F	Alamo	95	40s	M	McAllen
69	40s	F	Edinburg	96	70+	M	Undisclosed
70	40s	M	Edinburg	97	40s	F	Alamo
71	60s	M	Mission	98	0-19	M	Edinburg
72	30s	M	Pharr	99	30s	M	Donna
73	60s	M	McAllen	100	60s	F	Donna
74	20s	M	Undisclosed	101	30s	M	Mission
75	40s	M	Mission	102	20s	M	Edinburg
76	40s	F	San Juan	103	0-19	M	Edinburg
77	60s	F	Pharr	104	0-19	M	Edinburg
78	50s	F	Mission	105	20s	M	Mercedes
79	50s	M	Undisclosed	106	20s	M	McAllen
80	60s	M	Mission	107	0-19	F	Alton
81	0-19	F	McAllen	108	20s	F	Alton

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111	40s	M	Weslaco	138	40s	M	Unknown
112	0-19	M	Pharr	139	50s	M	Unknown
113	0-19	M	McAllen	140	0-19	M	Unknown
114	0-19	M	McAllen	141	20s	M	Mission
115	0-19	M	McAllen	142	30s	F	Unknown
116	20s	M	McAllen	143	0-19	F	Unknown
117	30s	M	Weslaco				
118	20s	M	Undisclosed				
119	50s	F	Unknown				
120	30s	M	Unknown				
121	40s	M	Unknown				
122	40s	F	Unknown				
123	20s	F	Unknown				
124	40s	M	Mission				
125	70+	F	Unknown				
126	20s	F	Undisclosed				
127	60s	F	Unknown				
128	40s	M	Unknown				
129	50s	M	Edinburg				
130	0-19	F	Unknown				
131	0-19	F	Unknown				
132	60s	M	Unknown				
133	30s	M	Unknown				
134	50s	F	Mission				
135	30s	F	Unknown				

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