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Kleberg County & City of Kingsville Confirm Two Additional COVID-19 Cases and Two Probable COVID-19 Cases

KINGSVILLE, TX – Kleberg County Judge Rudy Madrid and the City of Kingsville Mayor Sam Fugate received confirmation from the Texas Department of State Health Services, Region 11 of two additional confirmed COVID-19 cases in Kleberg County along with two probable COVID-19 cases.

The two newly confirmed novel coronavirus cases raise our cumulative count in Kleberg County to 14 with two additional probable cases. Nine individuals who tested positive for COVID-19 have been removed from isolation and one gentleman died of COVID-19 related complications, bringing our active confirmed COVID-19 case count to four. The confirmed cases reported today involve two women in their 20's and are not related to each other. The transmission mode of one case has been determined to be due to contact with another positive COVID-19 case. The second COVID-19 case is considered community spread. The probable COVID-19 cases both involve close contact with a positive COVID-19 case. Notification will be provided in the event the two probable cases become confirmed COVID-19 cases. All individuals are in isolation and being monitored by Region 11 personnel.

The Texas Department of State Health Services are now working in partnership with all four individuals to conduct contact tracing to limit further transmission. If any community members had contact with either individual, they will be directly notified by Region 11 Department of State Health Services personnel.

There have been **14 confirmed cases** of novel coronavirus in Kleberg County and **two probable cases**. COVID-19 cases confirmed to date in our community are:

- MARCH 27, 2020: A man in his 50's, travel related. Died of COVID-19 complications April 13, 2020.
- APRIL 3, 2020: A man in his 80's, community spread; had contact with out of town visitors.

- APRIL 15, 2020: A woman in her 30's, community spread; had contact with out of town visitors.
- APRIL 16, 2020: A woman in her 60's, community spread; had contact with out of town visitors.
- APRIL 16, 2020: A man in his 60's, community spread.
- APRIL 18, 2020: A woman in her 40's, travel related.
- APRIL 21, 2020: A woman in her 20's, travel related.
- APRIL 24, 2020: A woman in her 30's, community spread.
- APRIL 30, 2020: A man in his 30's, community spread.
- MAY 1, 2020: A man in his 30's, community spread.
- May 9, 2020: A woman in her 40's, under investigation.
- May 14, 2020: A man in his 50's, close contact to positive case.
- May 15, 2020: A woman in her 20's, close contact to a positive case.
- May 15:2020: A woman in her 20's, community spread.
- May 15, 2020: PROBABLE CASE, a man in his 50's, close contact to a positive case.
- May 15, 2020: PROBABLE CASE, a woman in her 60's, close contact to a positive case.

The Texas Military Department is conducting free tests at Dick Kleberg Park on Monday, May 18th. In order to receive a test, you must schedule an appointment in advance. Please call (512) 883-2400 and book your appointment under your name as it appears on your state issued identification card. Scheduling for this round of testing will begin Sunday morning at 8 AM. This Kleberg County & City of Kingsville Joint Regional Testing Site is open to neighboring communities and all Kleberg County residents.

Stay-At-Home orders for both Kleberg County and the City of Kingsville expired April 30, 2020. The risk of COVID-19 transmission remains a concern in our community. Please continue to practice social distancing to the best extent possible and frequently wash your hands. The Governor and both County Judge Madrid and Mayor Fugate highly recommend you wear a mask when in public and social distancing cannot be practiced. County and City facilities remain open to public by appointment only. Parks run by both entities remain open with safety restrictions in place.

You may get the most up-to-date and accurate information on the official Kleberg County Facebook page @KlebergCountyCC and the official City of Kingsville Facebook page.

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