



Health Officials Confirm There Are Now 22 Cases That Tested Positive in Mohave County 1 Death is Included

MOHAVE COUNTY, AZ (April 7, 2020) – There are now 22 positive COVID-19 cases in the county. The latest is a Lake Havasu City service area individual, an adult in the 50-64 age range, who is currently isolated at home. Nurses will begin the contact investigation as soon as possible. Until the investigation is conducted, it is yet to be determined if this may be a travel-related case, or if epidemiologically-linked to another identified case.

This new case brings to 22 the total positives cases in the county. There are now 14 positive confirmed cases in the Lake Havasu City area, six in Kingman, and two in Bullhead City. One of the 22 passed away and became the first COVID-19-related death in the county. This person was over the age of 65 and had other underlying health conditions and had been hospitalized at Havasu Regional Medical Center.

The best ways to prevent the spread of COVID-19:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick, or if you are a not an essential employee.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then immediately throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

COVID-19 spreads through the air when an infected person coughs or sneezes. Symptoms are thought to appear within two to 14 days after exposure and consist of fever, cough, runny nose, and difficulty breathing. For people with mild illness, individuals are asked to stay home, drink plenty of fluids, and get rest. For people with more severe symptoms, such as shortness of breath, individuals are advised to seek healthcare, using telemedicine where available.

Mohave County activated its Health Department Operations Center on February 1, 2020, after the first case of travel-associated COVID-19 was confirmed in Arizona. The Health Department Operations Center remains open to coordinate the County's response to the COVID-19 outbreak.

For more information about the COVID-19 response in Arizona, go online to: <https://azdhs.gov/>

For more information about COVID-19 in Mohave County, please visit <https://covid-19-mohave.hub.arcgis.com/>.