

Eight New COVID-19 Cases Two More Deaths All of Them in Kingman Area Total Positives Now 244 Total Deaths in County 27

MOHAVE COUNTY, AZ (May 15, 2020) Late this afternoon, the Mohave County Health Department (MCDPH) Nursing staff was notified of 8 confirmed COVID-19 positive cases in Mohave County and two COVID-19 related deaths. All of them are in the Kingman service area.

The two deaths are both previously identified Kingman area cases and are linked to another confirmed case. One person is in the 55-64 year age range and the other is 65 to 74 in age.

Of the 8 new Kingman area positive cases, three have an investigation still pending and are in isolation, recovering at home. One person is in the 20-44 year age range and the other two are 55-64.

Of the remaining five cases, four of them are in the 20-44 year age range and the remaining one is 55-64. All of these five cases are in isolation, recovering at home and are linked to another case.

There are now 50 positive confirmed cases in the Lake Havasu City area, including four deaths, 168 in Kingman, with a total of 22 deaths there, 7 cases in "North County," formerly referred to as "Other" (composed of a number of smaller Mohave County communities,) and 19 in Bullhead City, including one death. There are a total of -- 27 deaths in the county from the disease. Total positive cases –244.

FINAL REMINDER: The Arizona testing blitz continues with free testing taking place tomorrow morning May 16 from 6am to 11am at Lake Havasu City's Aquatic Center, 100 Park Avenue. It's on a first come/first served basis. Those wanting to participate should *fill out the COVID-19 Test Form online. It is available here:* https://www.sonoraquest.com/testingblitz44 for more stats about COVID-19 in Mohave County, the state of Arizona, and the country, go here...this site is always being updated. As of this writing, it may not have the latest cases listed above: https://covid-19-mohave.hub.arcgis.com/.

Also, for additional statewide information about the COVID-19 response, go to: https://azdhs.gov/

Meanwhile, please keep in mind that the best ways to prevent the spread of COVID-19 are:

Maintain your Social Distancing – At least 6 Feet apart! Stay at home if at all possible.

- * 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.