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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **COVID-19 UPDATE**

Since Thursday April 9<sup>th</sup>, three additional cases of Covid-19 have been confirmed in Lake Jackson. That brings the total of Covid-19 cases identified in Lake Jackson to 9. We also learned of our second recovery case here in town.

So, as we begin this week, we have 7 active cases in the city. The three new cases were a 20-29-year-old female, a 40-49-year-old female, and a 70-79-year-old male. The recovery was a female that was first reported to us on March 27<sup>th</sup>. In our county the count is up to 237 cases, with 83 recoveries and 2 deceased.

We did have an employee at our City service center test positive. This is the first City employee to test positive. His co-workers on his shift are being tested and are quarantined until their test results come in.

To lessen the impact of a positive test on our ability to provide our basic City services, and to work to keep our employees safe, we split our workforce into shifts. This way if one shift needs to be quarantined the other shift steps in to continue to provide services to our citizens. We have developed procedures to sanitize our work areas and equipment. Our employees have been issued masks.

We are praying for all who have been diagnosed with this disease and hope for a full and complete recovery for each and every one of them. We continue to pray for the amazing medical professionals who are on the front lines of this disease, helping those afflicted.

This is such a beautiful day and you are tempted to forget about this horrible disease threatening us. But we all must continue to be vigilant. Stay at home if at all possible. If you must go out, practice social distancing and wear a mask.

We are still in the middle of this outbreak. Hopefully in the next week or so we can begin to see improvement.

The County has a great "Dashboard" on their website which gives all the information on cases throughout our county. A word of thanks to our county health department and the county emergency management personnel. They are doing a remarkable job.

Finally, a big thank you to all our city employees who are giving it their all to keep our basic services running under very stressful conditions.

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