



# **THE CITY OF LAKE JACKSON**

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **COVID-19 CASES UPDATES AND REMINDERS**

Brazoria County topped the 600 positive COVID-19 case threshold yesterday (5/7) and reached 613 reported cases. Of course, 197 of these cases are inmates in the various prison units located in our county. That means 416 of the 613 reported cases are of Brazoria County residents. We have 319 residents that have recovered from the virus, leaving 89 active cases among residents. There have now been 8 deaths recorded from the virus in our county. Three were inmates and five, all in the Pearland area, were residents.

Lake Jackson did not see a new case reported since Wednesday, so we are still at 14 cases reported in our city. One more Lake Jackson resident recovered, so we are back down to 2 active cases in our city. We will see what the weekend brings us.

There are two testing sites coming to Lake Jackson. The first will be Saturday (5/9) at MacLean Park from 9am to 6pm. The second will be at Brazosport College Tuesday May 12<sup>th</sup> through Friday May 15<sup>th</sup>. Please see the postings on our website and Facebook page for details. Both sites require a pre-application. We thank the Texas Military for the site at MacLean Park and the Community Health Network for setting up the site at Brazosport College.

Also posted on our website and Facebook page is a link to the 67 page "Minimum Standard Health Protocols for COVID-19" from the Governor and Texas Department of State Health Services. This supplements the 63-page order from the Governor issued on April 27<sup>th</sup> "Texans Helping Texans" detailing the procedures the Governor and the State of Texas require businesses to adhere to in order to reopen. We encourage all businesses to review these standards and protocols put in place by the Governor for you to meet his requirements to reopen and operate.

Remember, the Governor did not lift the stay at home order he issued. He modified it. He still is asking residents 65 years and older and those with underlying health issues to remain at home. The wearing of masks while out in public is strongly encouraged, as is social distancing and proper sanitation.

The Governor still has the limitation of no more than 10 people in place for gatherings, with some exceptions for church services, weddings, and the like. Again, please read the Governor's orders for what is allowed by the State. The next guidance from the Governor is scheduled for Monday the 18<sup>th</sup>.

Regular city services, including full sanitation services, are operating. However, the Recreation Center, Civic Center and Jasmine Hall remain closed in compliance with the Governor's orders.

Please have a safe weekend.