UPDATE

THE LATEST ON THE CORONAVIRUS

April 15, 2020

The Louisiana Department of Health has updated its website to reflect the latest number of COVID-19 positives and will continue to update its website at noon each day.

As of noon on April 15, the Department reported 433 additional cases since yesterday, bringing the total to 21,951 positive cases.

Hospitalization
A total of 1,943 COVID-19 patients are currently hospitalized; of those, 425 patients require ventilation. Information on available hospital beds, ICU beds, and hospital vents is on the LDH dashboard.

Deaths
The Department reports an additional 90 deaths since yesterday, bringing the total to 1,103 deaths. Deaths are listed on the LDH dashboard by parish under the by parish tab and information by age can be found on the by age tab.

Nursing homes
COVID-19 cases have been reported by 124 nursing homes in Louisiana. 1,320 COVID cases have been reported among residents of nursing homes; 275 COVID-19 deaths have been reported among residents of nursing homes. These facilities care for thousands of Louisianans, including older people and those with underlying medical conditions that put them at higher risk for complications and death from COVID-19. This does not include other adult residential settings.

BE COUNTED!

COUNTING CHILDREN IN THE 2020 CENSUS

The 2020 Census helps determine which areas qualify for the critical resources that children and families depend on for the next 10 years - basically an entire childhood. An estimated 5 percent of kids under the age of 5 were missed in the 2010 Census. At about 1 million babies and young children, that's the largest undercount of any age group. We need your help closing this gap in the 2020 Census. To learn more about how you can be counted, visit https://www.2020census.gov.

#ALONEGETOGETHER

SUPPORTING EACH OTHER

Interventions for Young Children Impacted & Isolated

1. Routines are very important for young children. Disasters, forced isolation, and other traumatic situations often disrupt routines. Creating new routines or re-establishing routines can help children feel safe. This could be keeping mealtimes, bedtimes, or setting a daily time to play a game together.

2. Support from parents or caregivers is very important during periods following disasters and times of isolation. Parents may be physically present, but emotionally unavailable due to increases in stress. Remember to make time to reassure young children and spend time with them.

3. Explain why things are different. Young children may not fully understand why things have changed (like why they cannot go outside or be with other children) but talking with them will help them feel supported by you.

4. Take care of yourself. Even if young children are not directly exposed to a trauma, they will recognize stress and worry in older children and adults.

5. Do your best to support children in a way that is appropriate for their age. Keeping explanations and instructions simple can help keep children at ease.
**FAMILY RESOURCES**

**HACER MANDADOS ESENCIALES**

**Comprar comestibles y otros artículos esenciales para la casa**

*Quédese en casa si está enfermo.*

Evite ir de compras si está enfermo o tiene síntomas de COVID-19, que incluyen fiebre, tos o dificultad para respirar.

*Haga su pedido en línea o páselo a buscar.*

Pida alimentos y otros artículos en línea para que los entreguen en su casa o los pueda pasar a buscar (si es posible).

*Solo visite la tienda de comestibles, u otras tiendas que vendan artículos esenciales para la casa, en persona cuando realmente necesite hacerlo. Esto limitará su posible exposición a otras personas y al virus que causa el COVID-19.*

*Protéjase mientras compra.*

Manténgase al menos a 6 pies de distancia de otras personas mientras compra y espera en fila.

Cúbrase la boca y la nariz con una cubierta de tela para la cara cuando deba salir de su casa.

Cuando tenga que ir en persona, hágalo durante las horas de menor concurrencia (por ejemplo, temprano en la mañana o tarde en la noche).

Si tiene un mayor riesgo de enfermarse gravemente, consulte si la tienda tiene horarios especiales para personas de alto riesgo. Si es así, intente comprar durante ese horario. Las personas con mayor riesgo de enfermarse gravemente incluyen a los adultos de 65 años de edad en adelante y las personas de cualquier edad que tienen afecciones subyacentes graves.

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**THANK YOU!**

Special thanks to TRIO Community Meals, our food service provider for their commitment to UWA EHS. Since March 23rd, they have worked tirelessly with us to ensure that our children continue to receive healthy meals during our center closure. We recognize that many families are experiencing food insecurity and we remain committed to seeing you through this challenging time. Special thanks to Carla Clark and Patricia Batise, our Food Service staff for their hard work!

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**FAMILY ENGAGEMENT**

**FAMILY TIME - CELEBRATING THE EASTER HOLIDAY**

In spite of the Coronavirus, many of our children and families were able to celebrate Easter, while practicing social distancing. What a great opportunity to create memories and spend quality time with each other. Thanks to our parents for sharing these amazing pics with us.

WE MISS YOU!