Matagorda County Emergency Operation Center Press Release

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For immediate Release:

Members of the Matagorda County Emergency Management team continue to work with every testing site to keep the public informed concerning the number of positive and negative cases.

**The current number of positive cases in Matagorda County is 12.**

3/28/2020 we have a male between the ages of 45-50, at home with no related travel

3/28/2020 we have a female between the ages of 20 and 25, at home with no related travel

**For a dashboard of all positive cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) in Matagorda County or if you would like more information on the cases please visit:**

**https://www.matagordaregional.org/covid19**

On March 28, 2020 at 7:19pm, the following COVID-19 positive patient information was removed from the Matagorda County total after we learned the information was reported in both Matagorda and Wharton counties. Since the patient’s residence and quarantine address is in Wharton County, it was determined that the following COVID-19 case should be counted and managed by Wharton County: 3/27/2020; she is a female, she is between the ages of 50-55; she is at home and did not report travel.

**Matagorda Country** has a total of 12 Positive Cases, 223 Negative Cases, and 124 Pending Cases.

This isn’t a scorecard but a look into the window to see how Matagorda County is doing, as we protect the health and safety of our citizens and the thousands of visitors we have every day working in essential areas of our County.

Again these numbers are provided to the Matagorda County Emergency Operation Center from the different medical stations.

Should you need any additional information concerning the virus, please feel free to call 211 and you will be able to ask questions.

If you have questions for the Emergency Management Team, please email **covid19@co.matagorda.tx.us**

Visit the Matagorda County web site for any posted releases. **http://www.co.matagorda.tx.us/page/matagorda.Emergency**

Patient and case-specific information disclosed in this release represents the extent to which any MCHD official and the Matagorda County Emergency Operation Center personal can appropriately respond.

The Matagorda County Emergency Management team continues to work closely with the State of Texas Emergency Operations Center, the Department of State Health Services (DSHS), and the Matagorda County Hospital District, the Palacios Medical Center, MEHOP and our local physicians.

We are aware of the different directives that are being announced by the surrounding Counties.

Matagorda County Judge Nate McDonald, Bay City Mayor Robert Nelson, and Palacios Mayor Glen Smith are working closely with each other to ensure the health and safety of our citizens and visitors. There is no change to the standing orders at this time.

Continue to practice good hygiene by washing your hands regularly, avoid touching your face, sneeze and cough into a tissue and disinfect frequently used items and surfaces regularly.