## Matagorda County Emergency Operation Center Press Release May 8, 2020 / 1200 hours / (Noon)

For immediate Release:

Today the MCHD officials are again reporting **no new cases of COVID-19** and reporting 29 pending cases.

At this time, 3 patients are seeking care for COVID-19 and other conditions at the Matagorda Regional Medical Center.

Again today Palacios Community Medical Center reported 17 negative cases with 0 pending cases.

The State sponsored drive-thru COVID-19 test site in Matagorda County located at the Bay City Civic Center reported testing 49 people.

The cases added today are not related to tests conducted during Matagorda County's second drive-up test initiative. We expect all drive-up test results to be available by Friday, May 15, 2020.

These numbers will be combined and included in daily totals just like all test site information in Matagorda County is combined and reported.

Our county total is 64 positive cases, of which 34 are recovered and 5 have passed away. Matagorda County's number of active cases is now 25.

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

The Communities where we have positive COVID-19 cases remains the same:

Bay City, Wadsworth, Palacios, Matagorda, Van Vleck, and Blessing.

With many of our local businesses re-opening we are pleased to share a quote from a local business owner.

Fara Ashcraft, owner of Homestead in downtown Bay City said, "The impact was not as bad as we expected due to the community support. I can say that this experience has proven to my customers how important it is to shop local, for that I'm eternally grateful."