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Presidio County Judge

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**PRESS RELEASE, FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
IMPACT OF COVID-19**

The Presidio County Judges Office would like to report we have received no new information to release about the everchanging COVID-19 situation. The Texas Department of Health Region 9/10 of El Paso has sent no information about COVID-19 cases in the area since Wednesday, November 25, 2020.

As of 12/03/2020 there have been a total of 467 positive cases in Presidio County of which 214 are known active cases. This information is can be accessed from the DSHS website.

<https://www.dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/public-health.aspx>

We would like to once again reiterate the dire impact of the recent surge in Coronavirus cases has had on the Texas Department of Health Region 9/10 of El Paso. **We are only able to report cases as they are reported to us; and as of Friday Dec. 4th, 2020, at 10 am CST, our most recent data report was received Nov. 25th, 2020.**

As County Judge, I am constantly seeking ways to provide ongoing testing for our communities, and I continue to make inquiries regarding the availability of effective therapeutics and medication protocols that will help us fight against COVID- 19. I am also committed to ensuring the availability and the logistics of delivering a vaccine to the residents of this county, especially to our first responders and the vulnerable members of our communities.

If anyone is needing assistance with obtaining health care and prescription drug coverage, please call BBRHD at (432) 837-7051 or (432) 229-2151.

For transportation assistance for medical appointments please call TRAX at (432) 729-4908 ext. #115, or (432) 299-0480 ext. #103.

During these hard times, if you are needing financial assistance to pay rent or utilities please call Big Bend Community Action Committee at (432) 729-4980 ext. #105 or (432) 299-0480 ext. # 101 or 102. (CSBG funds currently available)

In the meantime, please continue to be vigilant in practicing as much social distancing as possible, wash your hands frequently and ALWAYS WEAR A MASK.

We are currently operating under Governor Abbot's Executive Order GA-32, as a result , as of November 23,2020, all restaurants, retail stores, office buildings, manufacturing facilities, gyms and exercise facilities and classes, museums, and libraries in all counties in Trauma Service J are required to return to maximum 50 percent occupancy levels.

WITH CORONA VIRUS ON THE RISE, BIG GATHERINGS SHOULD BE AVOIDED. STATE CORONAVIRUS RULES LIMIT OUTDOOR GATHERINGS TO 100 PEOPLE AND MANDATE MASKS WHERE IT IS HARD TO MAINTAIN DISTANCE FROM OTHERS. THIS REITERATES THE NEED FOR PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY. YOU MUST PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS- AVOID LARGE GATHERINGS, WEAR A MASK, AND STAY AT LEAST 6 FEET APART FROM OTHER PEOPLE AND FREQUENTLY WASH YOUR HANDS.

TAKE ALL QUARANTINE MEASURES SERIOUSLY. IF YOU TEST POSITIVE OR YOU RESIDE WITH A FAMILY MEMBER WHO HAS TESTED POSITIVE, YOU MUST QUARANTINE IMMEDIATELY. IF YOU RESIDE WITH A FAMILY MEMBER WHO IS ISOLATED IN YOUR HOME, REGARDLESS, YOU MUST QUARANTINE. FAILURE TO DO SO IS CONSIDERED CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR, CLASS "A" MISDEMEANOR TO WIT:

DEADLY CONDUCT - TEXAS PENAL CODE 22.05 (a)(e)

Deadly Conduct is a crime defined in the Texas Penal Code under Chapter 22.05. This crime is committed when one recklessly engages in conduct that places another person in imminent danger of serious bodily injury.

PLEASE TAKE THIS VIRUS SERIOUSLY, PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS, WEAR A MASK, WASH YOUR HANDS AND KEEP 6FT DISTANCE

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