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ONE MORE COVID-19 CASE BRINGS HUMBOLDT COUNTY'S TOTAL TO 27

WINNEMUCCA, Nev.— Humboldt County has been notified of one more positive case of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), bringing the county's total to 27.

Twenty-six of the cases were identified through Humboldt General Hospital, while one was confirmed out of area.

Based on available information, close contacts of the newest case are being identified or have been notified and are following self-isolation procedures to prevent community spread of the virus.

Brief summary information follows:

- Case 27 – A man in his 50s, who had contact with a previously reported case. He is self-isolating at home.

Of the 26 previously reported cases, five have recovered, four are hospitalized, 15 are self-isolating at home, and two have passed away.

On Friday, April 17, Humboldt County Health Officer Charles Stringham, MD, and Father Pepe Sobarzo from St. Paul's Catholic Church hosted a bilingual live Facebook discussion about COVID-19.

Father Sobrazo reminded community members that "we are in this together, but we each need to do our part." He continued, "We need to do the simple things that will defend us, our families and our community against this virus."

Dr. Stringham asked that everyone stay at least six feet away from others, wash their hands frequently, and wear a mask in public—at all times. Dr. Stringham said, "If every single person does this, we will stop this virus."

To view the entire discussion, please visit the St. Paul's Catholic Church Facebook page @stpaulswinnemucca.

Local residents who need a mask may message Dr. Stringham on the Stop Coronavirus in Humboldt County Now Facebook page @stophumboldtcoronavirus.

To join the fight against COVID-19, please:

- Stay home to limit exposure, and wear a mask if going out in public is necessary.
- Maintain 6 feet of distance from other people at all times.
- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Stay informed. The COVID-19 situation is changing frequently. Up-to-date information is available on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html.

Local residents who have mild fever, cough, or other respiratory symptoms should go to Humboldt General Hospital's West Campus screening clinic, located at 51 E. Haskell Street; the clinic is open daily from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Senior residents should call the clinic first at (775) 623-5222, ext. 1379, so staff may direct their arrival.

Anyone who is experiencing severe respiratory distress should proceed immediately to the HGH Emergency Department. For complete guidance, please visit www.hghospital.org.

Local COVID-19 information is available in Spanish @CovidEspanol. Humboldt County COVID-19 updates and information are available in English at @StopHumboldtCoronavirus and @HumboldtCountyNV.

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