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## 58 New Cases - 4,350 Cases Total in Livingston County

Livingston County, IL – Fifty-six residents of Livingston County and two inmates at Pontiac Correctional Center (PCC) have tested positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus disease). Livingston County Health Department (LCHD) officials were notified of the new COVID-19 cases between March 16-22 2021 in accordance with state and local public health protocol.

As of March 22, 2021, the LCHD has received 89,446 COVID-19 test results. Of that, 4,350 COVID-19 tests have been positive, 85,096 tests were negative, 4,223 of the previously reported cases have been removed from isolation, 47 cases remain active, and, sadly, 80 cases have resulted in death due to complications related to COVID-19. For details on the previously reported cases and up-to-date information for Livingston County, IL, community members can visit the LCHD's website: www.lchd.us.

Individuals who travel to hot spots in the country, those areas where higher rates of confirmed COVID-19 cases are reported, are strongly encouraged to get tested for COVID-19 5-7 days after returning from their trip or sooner if experiencing symptoms. People can track confirmed COVID-19 cases in Illinois by county and zip code by visiting IDPH's COVID-19 statistics site: https://www.dph.illinois.gov/covid19/covid19-statistics, and may also track confirmed cases nationwide by using CDC's COVID-19 tracker tool: https://www.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#cases.

Drive-thru COVID-19 testing is available Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the parking lot of OSF Saint James – John W. Albrecht Medical Center, located along Illinois Route 116 just west of Interstate 55. All testing is at no charge to the client. Insurance is not required to be tested; however, if you have insurance, please bring your card to your testing appointment. Persons with an appointment will receive priority service as daily testing capacity is limited. To schedule an appointment, visit the LCHD's website: <a href="https://www.lchd.us">www.lchd.us</a>.

The LCHD will continue to work diligently to meet the everyday needs of county residents while aggressively addressing the on-going COVID-19 pandemic.

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