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## **Press Release – COVID-19 Update April 1, 2020**

One hundred and thirty-one Hood County residents have now been tested for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), with eight confirmed positive cases. Two of the eight are currently hospitalized in critical but stable condition.

### **Where did these people contract COVID-19?**

Four people are believed to have contracted the highly contagious virus from travel, two from work contacts in Dallas Fort Worth area, and the other two contracted the illness from infected family members. Two cases are currently hospitalized under isolation. The other COVID-19 positive patients and their close family members remain isolated at home in accordance with public health guidelines.

As of 5:00 pm on April 1st, 131 total COVID-19 tests have been reported for Hood County residents, with eight (8) positive cases, 78 negative, and 45 pending laboratory confirmation.

Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) website and Texas 2-1-1 remain the best sources of information for Hood County residents regarding COVID-19 testing and self-protection measures. DSHS updates their county-by-county tracking map daily at <https://dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/>.

Both the Hood County and City of Granbury websites have the latest guidance on social distancing and public health emergency measures enacted to protect our local communities. County officials are currently revising the current restrictions in place for Hood County residents based upon Governor Abbott's updated disaster declaration dated March 31st.