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NEWS RELEASE

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COVID-19 Daily Update

As of today at 2:00pm, there are 1,730 confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 in the State of Wisconsin. Statewide, 31 individuals have died due to complications related to COVID-19. There are a total of 19 confirmed positive cases in Rock County and one death. There have been a minimum of 578 negative tests results reported in our county.

Please visit <https://www.co.rock.wi.us/publichealth-familycommunity/publichealth-communicabledisease/coronavirus-disease-2019> to view the Daily Rock County COVID-19 Update.

The Rock County Public Health Department has linked two positive COVID-19 cases to a local community-based residential facility. An employee and a resident have both tested positive for COVID-19. No additional residents or employees have tested positive at this point.

The resident is currently hospitalized and the employee is in home isolation. The Rock County Public Health Department is conducting a contact investigation to identify and follow-up with people who have had close contact with either of these cases. We are working closely with the facility and they have implemented infection control procedures.

Local COVID-19 Projections

The Rock County Public Health Department has been working on estimating the number of people who could be infected with COVID-19 and how many could be hospitalized due to the virus over the next several weeks. You can view that information here: <https://infogram.com/1p2jp9m52rlgm5f0993vgwr7vyilpvjzyx?live>

Please keep in mind that these numbers are "ball-park" estimates that use a number of assumptions. There are many factors that can affect the actual number of people infected that are not accounted for by these projections and these models are useful for motivating action to prevent worst-case scenarios.

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