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### *Wharton County, TX, April 19, 2020 1700 hours*

Wharton County Office of Emergency Management has **NOT** received any new reports of positive cases of COVID-19 today. The total who have tested positive for COVID-19 remains at **thirty-five (35)** in Wharton County. Texas DSHS also reports **TWO (2)** new recoveries today leaving us **fourteen (14)** reported cases who have recovered. Wharton County now has **twenty-one (21)** active COVID-19 cases.

As testing continues, our efforts to stop the virus must not slow down and we must continue to work hard to slow the spread in our area. The Executive Orders issued by Governor Abbott remain in effect statewide. The Governor has ordered Texans to stay at home, only go out and about for essential work or to retrieve essential goods. This means that you may go out to the grocery store, seek medical care and continue the use of drive-thru, pick-up and delivery services for food and drinks from local restaurants. The order also mandates all non-essential businesses to close. Further, the CDC has recommended utilizing a cloth face covering when going out in public. Residents are strongly urged to follow this and keep your face covered, especially if purchasing groceries.

**WASH YOUR HANDS  
STAY HOME**

Wharton County OEM will provide updates at <http://www.co.wharton.tx.us/> and on Facebook.

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