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Montgomery County Reports 201 New COVID-19 Cases and 12 Deaths *A Total Number of 2623 Cases and 147 Deaths Have Been Reported*

Norristown, PA (April 18, 2020) – Montgomery County officials and the Office of Public Health (OPH) today reported 201 additional individuals who tested positive and 12 individuals who died of COVID-19 bringing the countywide total to 2623 cases and 147 deaths.

“Today’s large number of positive test results, which include the first results from the re-opened community-based testing site on April 16, demonstrate the importance of testing to understand the spread of the virus in our community and the continued need to stay at home except for essential work and essential errands,” said Dr. Valerie A. Arkoosh, Chair, Montgomery County Board of Commissioners. “I’m also saddened to confirm that 12 more Montgomery County residents have lost their lives to COVID-19.”

Of the twelve individuals who died of COVID-19, four had been hospitalized, eight resided in long-term care facilities, and their ages ranged from 63-years-old to 91-years-old. Eight of those individuals were male, and four were female.

The 201 positive individuals are from 40 municipalities. Sixty-one municipalities have been affected. A breakdown of today’s reported cases follows:

Age Range: 18 -104
Age Brackets: (1) 10 – 19, (15) 20 – 29, (20) 30 – 39, (23) 40 – 49, (27) 50 – 59,
(39) 60 – 69, (28) 70 – 79, (27) 80 – 89, (19) 90 – 99, (2) 100 - 109
Gender: 114 females, 87 males
Hospitalized: (27) No, (160) Unknown, (14) Yes

Montgomery County’s drive-through COVID-19 testing location on the Central Campus of Montgomery County Community College will be open through the week starting again on Sunday, April 19 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., **by appointment only for individuals that meet the required criteria and as testing supplies allow**. No treatment will be given on-site. For more information and to register for an appointment, visit www.montcopa.org/COVID-19 or call 610.631.3000 on Sunday, April 19, starting at 8 a.m.

The COVID-19 outbreak continues to be a rapidly evolving situation. Please visit the Montco COVID-19 Data Hub at www.montcopa.org/covid-19 to get the latest news, geographic and demographic information, and updates.

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