



# NEWS

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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

#### **Montgomery County Reports 38 New COVID-19 Cases and Five Deaths** *A Total Number of 8,105 Cases and 790 Deaths Have Been Reported*

**Norristown, PA (June 24, 2020)** – Montgomery County officials and the Office of Public Health (OPH) today reported 38 additional individuals who tested positive for coronavirus and five who died of COVID-19 bringing the countywide total to 8,105 cases and 790 deaths. Four of the new cases are in long-term care facilities. None of the reported positive COVID-19 cases result from antibody testing.

“In an effort to focus on early detection and containment of any new outbreaks, the County has eliminated restrictions for testing so that anyone who needs or wants to be tested can be tested, whether or not they have symptoms. We have also expanded our contact tracing efforts to include a call back number for those who may have missed the call from our Department of Health regarding their results or status,” said Dr. Valerie A. Arkoosh, Chair, Montgomery County Board of Commissioners. “As the coronavirus continues to remain in our community, each of us must be personally responsible for our actions and work together to minimize the spread of COVID-19 in Montgomery County.”

Of the five individuals who died from COVID-19, their ages ranged from 43-years-old to 91-years-old, and one resided in a long-term care facility. Of those five individuals, three were female, and two were male.

The 38 positive individuals are from 18 municipalities. Sixty-one municipalities have been affected. A breakdown of today’s reported cases follows:

Age Range: 18 - 95  
Gender: 21 females, 17 males  
Hospitalized: (0) No, (37) Unknown, (1) Yes

The next update on COVID-19 cases and mitigation efforts will be on Thursday, June 25, via a virtual press briefing at 3 p.m., which will be livestreamed on the [Montgomery County, PA Facebook page](#).

Montgomery County’s **drive-through COVID-19 testing** location on the Central Campus of Montgomery County Community College is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., **by appointment only** for any individual who needs or wants to be tested and as testing supplies allow, weather permitting. No treatment will be given on-site. For more information, to find out if the site is open or closed for the day, and to register for an appointment, visit [www.montcopa.org/COVID-19](http://www.montcopa.org/COVID-19) or call 610.631.3000, starting at 8 a.m.

**COVID-19 walk-up testing** is available at the Delaware Valley Community Health Center – Norristown Regional Health Center, 1401 Dekalb Street, Norristown. Testing is available Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. weather permitting, **by appointment only** and as testing supplies allow. Individuals who want to be tested can call 610.592.0680, starting at 8:30 a.m. or until all slots are filled plus a ten-person waitlist on the morning of the intended appointment. Spanish-speaking operators are available.

**COVID-19 walk-up testing** is also available at the Montgomery County Office of Public Health Center, 364 King Street, Pottstown. Testing is available Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. weather permitting, **by appointment only** and as testing supplies allow. Individuals who want to be tested can call 610.970.2937, starting at 8:30 a.m. until 10 a.m., or until all slots are filled on the morning of the intended appointment. Spanish-speaking operators and sign language interpreters are available.

While the above locations will be closed on Saturday and Sunday, information on additional testing sites, many of which operate over the weekend, can be found at [www.montcopa.org/COVID-19](http://www.montcopa.org/COVID-19) under the County Testing Information button.

COVID-19 contact tracing efforts are ongoing and are critical to slowing the spread of the disease. The County has partnered with ACLAMO, Family Services of Montgomery County, Montgomery County OIC, and Visiting Nurses Association Community Services to help with contact tracing efforts. Individuals who have been tested or identified as a direct contact of an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19 and has received a call from the ‘Results Center’ or any of our community partners may return the call to 610.278.5923 to find out their results or status. All information discussed on the call is strictly confidential and is only used to trace COVID-19 cases.

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](http://www.montcopa.org/covid-19) to get the latest news, geographic and demographic information, and updates.

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