



DOUGLAS COUNTY COVID-19 RESPONSE TEAM

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SECOND COVID-19 RELATED DEATH OF A DOUGLAS COUNTY RESIDENT

(Douglas County, Ore.) – Our Douglas County Public Health Officer, Dr. Robert Dannenhoffer, has confirmed the death of a second Douglas County resident from the COVID-19 virus. Sadly, our second COVID related death is an 80-year-old gentleman who passed away at PeaceHealth Sacred Heart Medical Center at RiverBend in Springfield, Oregon, earlier today, Wednesday, August 19, 2020. He tested positive for COVID-19 on August 14, and was hospitalized on Sunday, August 16, 2020. In the interest of privacy for the individual's loved ones, no additional information will be released.

“It is with a heavy heart that we are reporting the passing of another beloved resident of our County from the coronavirus. My fellow Douglas County Board of Commissioners, Dr. Dannenhoffer and I share in the deep sadness this brings to the family and friends of this cherished man. On behalf of my family, my fellow Commissioners, and the entire DCCRT team, we send them our sincerest sympathies,” said Commissioner Tim Freeman.

In this trying time, the DCCRT Team, under the direction of the Douglas County Board of Commissioners, along with Dr. Dannenhoffer and Douglas Public Health Network, would like to remind residents of the importance of being kind to one another and to take extra care in helping us to slow the spread of COVID-19 in order to protect your health, your family's health and the health of our communities.

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Your Douglas County Board of Commissioners, Douglas County Public Health Officer, Dr. Robert Dannenhoffer and the Douglas County COVID-19 Response Team have been working hard to cooperatively provide accurate and timely information to Douglas County residents since March 8, 2020. For more information about COVID-19 in Douglas County on the [Douglas County Government website](#) and the [DPHN website](#). If you have questions about the coronavirus or resources available, call our local COVID-19 hotline, staffed by local volunteers at (541) 464-6550 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, 7 days a week.

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