



DOUGLAS COUNTY COVID-19 RESPONSE TEAM

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(Douglas County, Ore.) As we cautiously venture out to look at the world reopening around us, we can see that our current normal includes floor distancing stickers, plexi-glass shields, store capacity limits, staggered seating, cart cleaning and entrance personnel, mask requirements and new visiting protocols. Most of us are excited for the opportunity to have more local shopping options; see people returning to work; watch local businesses reopen; go to the movie theater; dine-in at your favorite restaurant and go camping. Yes, we do see some semblance of normal returning to our lives, but we also see that we are still living in cautious times with the threat of COVID-19 still looming. While our local area is managing well, we see that other areas in Oregon are experiencing an uptick in cases.

“We are seeing a second wave in many areas around the state, but Douglas County remains steady at 29 cases of COVID-19. There are multiple reasons for that, namely our excellent epidemiology team, and that our residents followed the stay at home if you’re sick and social distancing recommendations. Let’s keep up the great work and do our best together to reduce the transmission of this virus,” commented Dr. Bob Dannenhoffer, your Douglas County Public Health Officer.

We are fortunate that we live in Douglas County, where our case counts are low, we have ample access to testing, residents have been vigilant in their response, and we have an amazing Douglas County COVID-19 Response Team, under the direction of the Douglas County Board of Commissioners, that is ready to immediately respond if a crisis or outbreak occurs. So, amidst all the openness, it is still important to continue to be mindful of you and your family’s health and safety. We encourage you to keep your distance from others not in your household, stay home if you are sick, seek medical care as needed and wash your hands frequently. Keep up the great work Douglas County!

Douglas County COVID-19 Test Results: It is Friday, June 12, 2020, and as of 12:00 pm today, there are **NO** new cases of COVID-19 in Douglas County. The total number of positive cases in Douglas County is 29. Testing continues, as DPHN has been holding 2-3 clinics a week and hospitals, urgent cares and clinics continue to test. **Twenty-nine people have tested positive in the county and twenty-seven of those twenty-nine have recovered.** DPHN defines recovery as an end to all symptoms after a positive test for COVID-19. DPHN continues their epidemiologic investigations, identifying individuals who may have had close contact with individuals that have tested positive for COVID-19, advising and supporting quarantine.

The majority of the individuals who have tested positive earlier have now recovered. The first positive COVID-19 case in Douglas County was announced on March 8, 2020. Thanks to the great work that Douglas County has done social distancing and staying home, we’ve had 29 cases in 96 days.

Here are the current numbers for Douglas County:

| New Cases as of 12:00 pm June 12, 2020 | Total Confirmed Cases | Total Recovered Cases <small>Of those that tested positive</small> | Total COVID-19 Deaths | Total Currently Hospitalized <small>Of those that tested positive</small> | Total Negative Test Result | Total Presumptive Cases |
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| 0 | 29 | 27 | 0 | 2 | 3599 | 0 |

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) has expanded their reporting for COVID-19 case management and will now include presumptive COVID-19 cases. DPHN will also be reporting presumptive cases and will use the OHA’s definition of presumptive as having had close contact with a known, confirmed COVID-19 case, showing symptoms and not yet having a positive nasal swab/PCR test for COVID-19.

Getting Tested & Testing Clinics

The next drive-through testing clinic will be today, Friday, June 12, 2020, in Roseburg. There will also be a drive-through testing clinic in Reedsport tomorrow, Saturday, June 13, 2020. As a reminder, if you are having symptoms of COVID-19 including cough, fever, shortness of breath, muscle aches and pains, diarrhea, sore throat or decreased sense of smell and taste, talk to your health care provider about being tested for COVID-19. Patients without a Primary Care Provider, that are looking for a COVID-19 test should contact the Sutherlin Aviva Health Clinic at (541) 459-3788. The first drive-through testing site was piloted in the county on March 17, 2020, there have been 695 people tested in the drive-through clinics alone, additional testing continues in hospitals, urgent cares and clinics simultaneously. The drive-through clinics are led by DPHN, in conjunction with partner agencies including; Douglas County COVID-19 Response Team, Douglas County Board of Commissioners, Douglas County Sheriff’s Office, Douglas County Public Works, local volunteers and local health professionals.



U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
Veterans Health Administration
Roseburg VA Health Care System



American Red Cross
Southwest Oregon Chapter



Oregon COVID-19 Case Update

Oregon Health Authority reports new cases once a day on its website at www.healthoregon.org/coronavirus. The Oregon Health Authority is also releasing the daily situation status report, which is produced jointly with Oregon Office of Emergency Management. It details the overall picture of the COVID-19 outbreak within the state and the response across government agencies. [Read more here about the daily situation status report.](#)

Facebook Live with Dr. Bob Dannenhoffer

Join us tonight, Friday, June 12, 2020 for the next virtual town hall Q&A with Dr. Bob Dannenhoffer, your Douglas County Public Health Officer at 6:00 pm, hosted by DPHN and found on the [DPHN Facebook page](#).

Allergies vs. COVID-19 Symptoms

With spring in full swing, many of us are experiencing allergies. Oregon Health Authority's Ann Thomas, MD, shared some advice via video on what to do if you're not sure if your symptoms are regular seasonal allergies or symptoms of COVID-19. [Click here to see the video.](#)

Beware of Ransomware Emails

Recently, another Oregon government agency was infected with Ransomware. Ransomware is increasingly being used by hackers to extort money from companies and agencies. Ransomware is a type of malicious software that takes over your computer and prevents you from accessing files until you pay a ransom. It is likely that the attack began from a malicious Phishing email. **We encourage people to be very mindful when opening attachments or clicking on links in emails. Please be extra cautious of emails you are not expecting.**

The Douglas County IT Department provided us with a list of things to keep an eye out for:

1. Don't trust the display name on an email. Take a moment and look at the address of the sender to make sure you recognize it. They can look very similar, but with a different spelling or ending.
2. Don't click on unknown links.
3. Don't open unexpected attachments.
4. Check for spelling errors. Attackers are often less concerned about spelling and grammar.
5. Consider the greeting. Is the address general or vague? Is the greeting to "valued customer".
6. Don't give out personal information. Name, birthdate, address, bank account number, and NEVER give out your password or PIN
7. Beware of urgency and favors. Attackers may pose as a person of power in our county and might try to make it sound as if there is some sort of emergency, or ask for a favor.
8. Check the email signature. Most legitimate senders will include a full signature block.
9. Call the sender using a known contact number NOT listed in the email to verify the email to make sure they sent the email.
10. When in doubt, contact your IT Department or a friend that is computer savvy. Or just hit delete.

Greater Douglas United Way Issues Two More Grants from their COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund

Greater Douglas United Way announced grants for **Casa de Belen, \$5,000** and **Salvation Army of Roseburg, \$1,000** from their COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund. Casa de Belen's main focus right now is to continue to provide food security for our community. Kristy Church of the Salvation Army said that this round of funding will go towards providing laundry assistance for those in need. Currently in our county, there is not a service or program offering this unmet need. Assistance will be based on the size of the family being helped.

GDUW's COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund was established to help our local community with urgent needs as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic. 100% of all funds raised will stay local and will go to provide support for our community's organizations and individuals in need as a result of this pandemic. To date, over \$80,000 has been raised and with the recent disbursement; over \$60,000 has been given out to the community. [Click here](#) for more details.

Stay Informed with the Accurate Information

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.

Local COVID-19 Hotline: If you have questions about resources available, call the COVID-19 hotline, staffed by local volunteers at (541) 464-6550 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, 7 days a week.

Stay up to date on COVID-19 in Douglas County on the [Douglas County Government website](#) or the [DPHN website](#). Find additional information on state or federal COVID-19 response from the following websites: [Oregon Health Authority](#), [Centers for Disease Control](#), and by calling or logging onto [211Info](#).

Got Questions about the Governor's Phased Reopening Plans? If you have questions or need more information about the Governor's Phased Reopening Plans or Sector Specific Guidelines go to <https://govstatus.egov.com/reopening-oregon>. There is also a video presentation about Phase Two available [here](#). Or you may contact the [Governor's Office](#), the [Oregon Health Authority \(OHA\)](#) or the [Oregon State Office](#) responsible for regulating your business or agency, or the business or venue that you wish to visit.

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