Our City – COVID-19 – Essential Update

By: Mayor Marc Beitia

How you can help us help you:

- Please practice Social Distancing 6 to 10 feet of separation between each other
- Please practice Respiratory Hygiene sneeze or cough into your bent elbow
- Please wash your hands frequently especially after touching hard surfaces and door knobs
- Please disinfect hard surfaces regularly counter tops and door knobs
- **Please try not to touch your face** eyes, nose or mouth
- Please stay home if you are sick contact your healthcare provider

Thank you, to the <u>26 donors</u> who delivered the much-needed perishable groceries and supplies today. You made a huge difference to <u>13 households</u> this afternoon. More donations will be needed as we face what is to come; but, together we can all make American Falls the very best place to live, even in times such as these. Thank you all for doing your part! You do make a difference.

9:00 AM, March 20, 2020 – 24 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Idaho.

• Yesterday at this time the number was 11.

| Public Health District | County | Cases | Deaths |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|---------|--------|
| Panhandle Health District | Kootenai | 1 | 0 |
| Central District Health | Ada | 3 | 0 |
| South Central Public Health District | Blaine Twin Falls | 16 1 | 0 |
| Eastern Idaho Public Health | Madison Teton | 1 1 | 0 |

| Number of people tested at the Idaho Bureau of Laboratories* | 445 |
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| Number of people tested through commercial laboratories** | 168 |

South Central Public Health District (SCPHD) and the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare (DHW) have confirmed a case of novel coronavirus with no out-of-state travel and no identified contact with another person with confirmed COVID-19. Community spread means at least one person has been infected with the virus in an area who is not sure how or where they became infected. The individual under investigation did not travel and had no identified contact with another person with COVID-19. Public Health officials expect more confirmed cases in the community.

<u>ID Dept of Health & Welfare has issued a Shelter in Place Order for Blaine County</u> to slow the rapid spread of the COVID-19 virus. This means everyone should stay home unless they need to perform essential activities or go to work to provide essential business and government services.

- There are no case of COVID-19 in the Southeastern Idaho Public Health District to date. This is our health district.
- New Golf course protocols currently include limiting Clubhouse occupancy to less than 10 people at one time, sterilization of all golf carts with spray bleach so all surfaces are contacted and let to dry, customers will be swiping their own credit or debit card, proper Social Distancing and proper Respiratory Hygiene is expected at all times.
- ALL FAMILIES GOLF FREE MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY MORNINGS UNTIL NOON as long as student are not in school.
- NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT will be installed at Lee Street as quickly as possible.
- Sunshine and fresh air won't hurt any of us. Enjoy them when you can.