



June 5, 2020

4:00 p.m. Update Pueblo, CO #PuebloCOVID19

Pueblo Parks and Recreation Begins Reopening Some Facilities, Amenities and Programs

The City of Pueblo opened several recreation facilities, amenities and programs today (Friday, June 5) under special health and safety conditions include wearing of masks and social distancing requirements. Facilities that opened today are the City Park dog park, playgrounds and outdoor fitness equipment, park shelters and gazebos, softball fields and tennis courts. More information on the specific guidelines for use of these facilities and the health and safety conditions is available on the parks and recreation website at www.pueblo.us/100/Parks-Recreation.

The parks and recreation department continues to work on a plan to open the four outdoor swimming pools. The City Park pool is scheduled to open for lap swimming and swim team practice on June 15 and for public swimming on June 26. Mineral Palace Park pool is scheduled to open June 26 for public swimming, while the pools at Bessemer Park and Mitchell Park are scheduled to open July 3.

Parks and trails are open for walking, biking and running.

Facilities that remain **closed** are the Pueblo Ice Arena, El Centro del Quinto Sol recreation center, the rides at City Park, Movies in the Park and the Sun City Marching Band.

Pueblo West Parks and Recreation Begins Opening Facilities

The Pueblo West Parks and Recreation Department will open playgrounds, tennis courts, the skate park, fields and public restrooms beginning Monday, June 8. The splash pad at Civic Center Park will open June 15. For more information go to the Pueblo West Metro District website at www.pueblowestmetro.com.

Pueblo West Metro District Cancels Annual Fourth of July Parade

The Pueblo West Metropolitan District announced the annual Fourth of July parade has been cancelled this year. The metro district continues to work on a plan for a fireworks show to accommodate the north and south side of Pueblo West. Details will be released at a later date.

District 60 Begins Summer Drive-Thru Meal Program on June 9

District 60's summer drive-thru meal program will begin June 9 and operate through July 31. The program will operate similar to the current grab-and-go meal distribution that has been held the past two months. Meal kits will be provided to children up to the age of 18 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays. Three days worth of meals, to include breakfast and lunch, will be distributed each day. Social distancing guidelines will be adhered to during the distribution process. Meals will be distributed at the following locations:

- Bessemer Academy, 1125 E. Routh Avenue
- East High School, 9 MacNeil Road
- Heritage Elementary, 625 Brown Avenue
- Irving Elementary, 1629 W. 21st Street
- Pueblo Academy of Arts, 29 Lehigh Avenue
- Risley Middle School, 625 Monument Avenue
- South Park Elementary, 3100 Hollywood Drive

Meal distribution will be discontinued at Heaton Middle School on June 8 and senior citizen meals will end at all locations beginning June 30.

District 60 partners with Care and Share to Host Food Pantries at Two Schools

District 60, in partnership with Care and Share of Pueblo, will host food pantries at South Park Elementary School on June 15, June 29 and July 13 and at Irving Elementary on June 22, July 6 and July 20. The pantries will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the designated days.

Mayor Gradisar Weekly Address Encourages Residents to Get Tested and Easing Restrictions

In Mayor Nick Gradisar's weekly address he encouraged residents to get tested for COVID-19 and discussed easing of restrictions in the City of Pueblo. View the mayor's address here

<https://youtu.be/R4a0yj9aURk?t=170>

Black Hills Energy Warns Customers of Scam

Black Hills Energy is warning customers of a scam in which a caller tells the customer their bill is delinquent, and service will be disconnected in 30 minutes if the bill isn't paid. Black Hills Energy reminds customers during the COVID-19 pandemic it has suspended nonpayment disconnections to customers. Customers with concerns about the identity of someone claiming to represent the company, should call Black Hills at 1-888-890-5554 to verify employment.

Governor Signs Executive Order Benefitting Restaurants

Governor Jared Polis signed an executive order today that cuts the red tape for restaurants and suspends certain statutes to allow for the service of alcoholic beverages in temporary outdoor dining spaces. The order allows for restaurants to obtain temporary approval from state and local licensing authorities to modify their licensed premises to include outdoor dining areas within 1,000 feet of the restaurant and allows for the consumption of alcoholic beverages on a public right-of-way authorized by ordinance, resolution or rule adopted by a municipality, city and county or county. The order also requires the Department of Revenue's Liquor Enforcement Division to respond to the submission of an application for the temporary modification of a license within 24 hours. To read the order click [here](#).

Governor Announces \$44 Million in Emergency Education Relief Funds

Governor Jared Polis announced this week that \$44 million has been allocated from the Governor's Emergency Relief Funds for school districts, schools, higher education institutions and other education-related entities to address the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The majority of the money will be used for schools and institutions serving high-need students to help prevent and address achievement gaps exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic and support innovation and equity.

Symptomatic Individuals Encouraged to do Pilot COVID-19 Symptom Tracker Survey

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment launched a short survey designed to track

symptoms of COVID-19, even among those who are unable or do not need to get a test. The data collected in the survey cannot replace official case data confirmed in testing, but it may help public health officials track early warning signs that an outbreak could be imminent in each area or region. The symptom tracker is on the “Do you have symptoms?” webpage on the COVID-19 website [here](#).

Pueblo County’s Drive-Thru COVID-19 Testing Site Extended Through June

Pueblo County’s free COVID-19 drive-thru testing at the Colorado State Fairgrounds is extended through June on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. to test anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 (body aches, loss of sense of taste or smell, cough, difficulty breathing, fever over 100.4 degrees, chills, headache, sore throat and muscle pain) and certain groups of asymptomatic people.

The testing site at the Colorado State Fairgrounds (enter through Gate 4 off Mesa Avenue and Gaylord Avenue) is drive-thru only and individuals must be inside an enclosed vehicle for safety. No walk-ups or motorcycles are allowed through the testing site. The site is open to neighboring counties. Everybody being tested must be able to administer the test to themselves. The first 250 individuals each day will have access to drive-up testing. No physician order is required, and all testing is free.

View a video of the COVID-19 Self-Swabbing Test <https://youtu.be/vsQVxsQY3jc>

Pueblo’s COVID-19 Case Updates

Health officials from the Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment today announced the death of **one** Pueblo County resident related to COVID-19, bring the total number of Pueblo County deaths to **20**. A 52-year-old male, who was reported as confirmed positive for COVID-19, has died.

Public health officials from the Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment also announced **10** new positive COVID-19 cases in Pueblo County since Wednesday, June 3. The confirmed positives cases are a 18-year-old female, 42-year-old female, 42-year-old female, 59-year-old female, 84-year-old female, 19-year-old male, 38-year-old male, 46-year-old male, 72-year-old male and a 90-year-old male. Pueblo County has a total of **312** confirmed positive and probable* cases among Pueblo County residents. The total number of people testing, **6,257** is not reflective of everyone testing negative in Pueblo County.

As of May 27, confirmed and probable cases have been combined to align with state and national data. However, the COVID-19 Status Update chart will continue to show probable cases.

As cases continue to be investigated, the data in this update is subject to change.

*A probable case meets the clinical criteria and epidemiological evidence, yet it has not been laboratory confirmed with a test. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment is now reporting probable cases across the state.

COVID-19 Status Update for Friday June 5, 2020

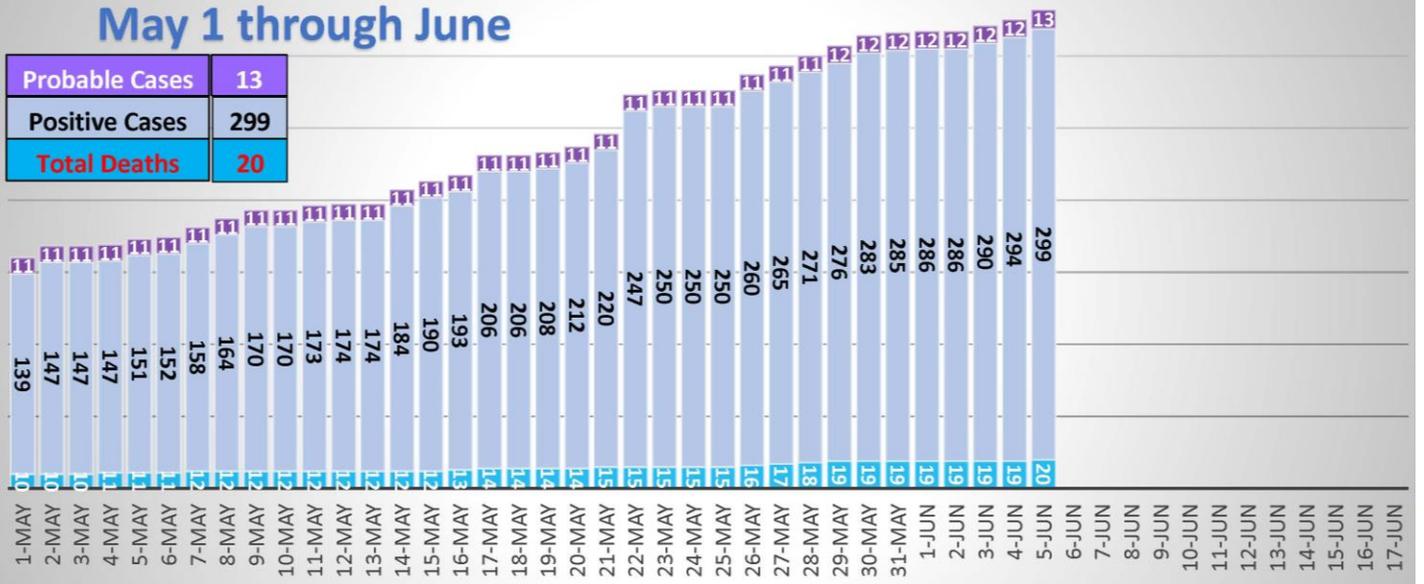
RESULTS FOR PUEBLO COUNTY						
Total Tested	Comm Based Test Site	Regular Testing	Probable Cases	Positive Cases	Total Deaths	Facility Outbreak Active/Cleared
6,257	3,633	2,624	13	299	20	4/1

Pueblo County Cumulative Case Progression March 13 through April 30



May 1 through June

Probable Cases	13
Positive Cases	299
Total Deaths	20



40-49	50
50-59	56
60-69	37
70-79	28
80+	36

Confirmed and Probable Cases in Pueblo by Sex

Female	181
Male	127
Unavailable	4

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Pueblo County’s COVID-19 Death by Age Group

Age Group	Cases
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0-9	0
10-19	0
20-29	0
30-39	0
40-49	0
50-59	3
60-69	3
70-79	6
80+	8

Pueblo County’s COVID-19 Deaths by Sex

Female	5
Male	14
Unavailable	1

Help Protect Pueblo from COVID-19

To protect the Pueblo community and the most vulnerable, everybody has a responsibility to:

- Follow the Governor’s [Safer at Home and in the Vast, Great Outdoors](#) order
- Wear a non-medical cloth face covering while out in public for necessary activities
- Minimize social activities and being physically close to other people
- Isolate yourself if you feel symptoms of shortness of breath, cough, temperature of 100.4 or higher, chills, headache, sore throat and new loss of smell or taste, call your medical provider before visiting them.
- Seek preventative and routine care through your primary care provider and use the emergency room when medically necessary.

- Wash your hands with soap regularly.
- Cough or sneeze into elbow or tissue.
- Stay home when you're sick.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth.
- Avoid close contact with sick people.
- Clean surfaces frequently touched.

Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment encourages residents and media to seek out credible, reliable sources of information on COVID-19:

- www.puebloemergency.info
- Pueblo's COVID-19 Hotline 719-583-4444

All public and media inquiries in Pueblo are answered through the local hotline at **Pueblo's Joint Information Center. Pueblo COVID-19 Hotline is providing resources and answering questions 9AM – 4PM, Monday – Friday** (closed for government holidays) **719-583-4444**.

At times, the Pueblo COVID-19 Hotline may experience a high volume of calls, please be patient and remain on the line and the next available call taker will be with you.

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COVID-19 Drive-Thru Testing

WHAT YOU NEED

- Vehicle - only people being tested in the car, must have functioning windows
- No motorcycles
- Photo ID

Colorado State Fairgrounds
(Enter Gate 4)

Tuesday - Thursday 9 AM - 3 PM
Through June

PUEBLO COVID-19 HOTLINE (719) 583-4444
WWW.PUEBLOEMERGENCY.INFO

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