

<u>Incident Name:</u>  COVID-19 Public Health Response	<b>End of Day Summary- Public</b>  Columbia/Boone County Public Health and Human Services Operational Summary <b>10/19/2020</b>	<u>Incident Start:</u>  March 6, 2020
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Summarized Operational Time Period:	8:00 AM on 10/19/2020 to 5:00 PM on 10/19/2020	

Incident Definition: Response to emerging Novel Corona Virus, now known as COVID-19. This includes-

- Addressing general public concerns regarding COVID-19
- Providing guidance to stakeholders regarding COVID-19
- Provide surveillance of COVID-19 in community
- Provide case investigation and contact tracing for instances of COVID 19.

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#### **Summary of COVID Cases**

# of Positive COVID Cases in MO	# of Positive COVID Cases in Boone
	Current: 373
Deaths: 2,590	Released from Isolation: 5,239
Total: 158,101	Deaths: 15
	Total: 5,627

**Statistic Charts can be found at:**

<http://gocolumbiamo.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=478880b83d5e4d35b646d80fe6f2c2f6>

## **Operations Report**

### Significant Events from Operational Period:

- Updated information hub on website to have a graph regarding number of deaths in Boone County by age group.
- Published graphic on Social Media regarding case study of COVID spread with two cases that occurred this summer.
- Staff met with Parks and Recreation regarding upcoming events that are using City grounds.
- Information and Guidance held a meeting for staff to exchange information, discuss overlap and identify gaps.
- Bought and delivered groceries for a family in isolation/quarantine.
- Reserved living arrangements for an individual needing isolation/quarantine.
- Monitored progress on MUHC billing, specifically for potential duplication.
- Verified availability of funds for purchasing items for individuals in isolation/quarantine.
- Staff arranged for coverage to ensure screening of building visitors is covered.
- Received information from Vote Health in English and Spanish for voting during a pandemic.
- Environmental Health and Information and Guidance worked to provide guidance regarding events and operational plans.
- Environmental Health responded to and assigned staff to city/county complaints and inquiries.
- Reviewed 3 commercial COVID plans.
- Shared information to stakeholder's regarding White House announcement regarding Walgreens and CVS to deliver and administer vaccine to Long Term Health Care facilities.
- Continued case and contact investigations.

## **Media Briefing**

### **COVID-19 News**

- [40 million cases are now reported worldwide](#)
- [Coronavirus Test Results Get Faster, But Still Too Slow To Help Slow Disease Spread](#)

- [7 Ways to Stay Healthy and Sane During the Fall Coronavirus Surge](#)
- [10 states reported their highest single-day coronavirus case counts last week](#)
- [HHS urges Americans to keep masking up](#)

## **Local Media**

Tribune- [Local pastors lead their churches through pandemic](#)

KRCG- [Kansas City hospitals are overwhelmed, turn away ambulances](#)

[Moniteau County records 8th virus death as Mid-Missouri cases, hospitalizations rise](#)

[COVID-19 cases in the state continue to surge, 121 deaths reported Saturday](#)

[Rapid tests expected to be in Missouri schools by end of month](#)

Missourian- [A 5th Person Dies of COVID-19 in Boone County](#)

[Back to school means first time face-to-face for new teacher, students](#)

[Missouri reports record number of virus cases over weekend](#)

[Politics in a pandemic: Candidates adjust their strategies to deal with COVID-19 limitations](#)

[CPS parents band to promote in-person learning for middle, high school students](#)

KOMU- [Monday COVID-19 Coverage: Boone County reports 15th COVID-19 related death](#)

[Back to school is much different for parents in 2020](#)

[CPS elementary families prepare students for in-person learning](#)

[Sunday COVID-19 Coverage: Missouri adds 1,768 COVID-19 cases in past 24 hours](#)

[Saturday COVID-19 Coverage: 48 new cases among Columbia Public Schools](#)

KMIZ- [Monday Updates: Tolton cancels game, citing COVID-19](#)

[Elementary students return to schools across Columbia](#)

[Sunday Updates: Boone County reports 27 new coronavirus cases](#)

[Saturday Updates: Boone County reports 51 new COVID-19 cases](#)

## Local Chatter

- Concern for cases with CPS schools reopening today
- Worry among community members with how fast Missouri cases continue to rise, especially with Kansas City hospitals being overwhelmed

**10/16/2020**

## News

- [Trump administration announces deal with CVS and Walgreens to administer coronavirus vaccine to seniors in long-term care](#)
- [Pfizer seeks vaccine authorization in November; Medicare cuts delayed COVID-19 testing payments](#)
- Kudlow confident that Trump can 'round up' Senate GOP behind coronavirus relief deal

## Local News

- **KOMU** - [Boone County extends current health order to Nov. 3, Callaway County reports new death, cases rise, Kansas City-area hospitals overwhelmed, turn away ambulances, Here's what you need to know this morning: Friday, Oct. 16, Missouri Ventilator capacity nears red zone, says Missouri hospital association](#)
- **KMIZ** - [Boone County health director extends COVID-19 order, COVID-19 forces scaling back of Jefferson City Project Homeless Connect, Kansas City-Area hospitals overwhelmed, turn away ambulances](#)
- **KRCG** - [Boone County health order extended due to upward trend in hospitalizations, Missouri nears red zone for ventilator availability](#)
- **Missourian** - [Boone County reports one death thursday, MU to resume in person classes after thanksgiving break](#)
- **Tribune** - [Hospitalizations at new high in Missouri,](#)

## Local Chatter

- Minimal except for continued feedback about CPS being back in-person, no chatter about new health order yet.

## **Situation Summary:**

COVID 19 has reached global transmission.

- Risk Assessment for travel:  
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/map-and-travel-notice.html>
- All 50 states, The District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the US Virgin Islands have reported cases of COVID-19.

- 27 states report more than 40,000 cases of COVID-19
- For case information by state follow this link:  
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-updates/cases-in-us.html#reporting-cases>

CDC has begun recommending all individuals wear facemasks to reduce the chance of transmission while out in public as of 4/3/2020. Children under the age of 2 should not wear masks because of suffocation risk.

More than half of the states in the United States have issued state wide mask mandates.

The CDC has updated guidance to change when isolation should end for a positive case of COVID 19, now reflecting one day free of fever and an improvement in symptoms. Isolation should end 10 days after symptoms have started. Links for this updated guidance can be found:

- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/disposition-in-home-patients.html>

US travelers are banned from visiting: EU, Bahamas, China, Mexico, Canada, New Zealand and Japan

Trump Administration announced it will partner with CVS and Walgreens to deliver safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines to one of our most vulnerable populations in long-term care facilities (LTCFs) across America.

Adults of any age with the following conditions are at increase risk for more severe illness from COVID-19

- o Cancer, Chronic kidney, COPD, Heart conditions, Immunocompromised state, Obese, Severely Obese, Sickle cell disease, Smoking, Type 2 diabetes mellitus

Adults of any age with the following conditions might be at risk for more severe illness from COVID 19.

- o Asthma, Cerebrovascular disease, Cystic fibrosis, Hypertension, Immunocompromised state, Neurologic conditions, Liver Disease, Overweight, Pregnancy, Pulmonary fibrosis, Thalassemia, Type 1 diabetes mellitus

### **State Information:**

Missouri Governor Parson declared a State Emergency on March 13, 2020 to make state resources available to local jurisdictions and activate certain authorities.

- A total 158,101 confirmed cases in Missouri of individuals who have been diagnosed with COVID 19, 2,590 of those cases have died.

- A list of cases reported by county can be found The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services operates a website reporting reported cases of COVID 19 in Missouri at: <https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus/results.php>

Missouri's Governor Announced that on June 22 all stay all state restrictions will be lifted, but social distancing is still recommended:

<https://governor.mo.gov/press-releases/archive/governor-parson-announces-missouri-will-fully-reopen-enter-phase-2-recovery>

Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education released updated guidance regarding COVID 19 mitigation in schools on September 4, 2020.

- <https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus/pdf/updated-joint-guidance-regarding-mitigation-in-schools.pdf>

State Lab COVID 19 Testing:

- State Criteria for Testing Approval:  
<https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus-lpha/pdf/mo-pui-guidance.pdf>
- Additional classifications for Missouri State Public Health Lab testing:  
<https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus-lpha/pdf/covid-19-testing-expanded-for-lphas.pdf>

MoDHSS hotline staffed by medical professionals: 877-435-8411

### **City/County Information:**

On March 16, 2020 the City of Columbia declared a state of emergency within the city to respond to COVID-19. The resolution includes calling for proactive measures to protect the public health, safety and welfare; expressing support for and calling upon City Manager John Glascock and Public Health and Human Services Director Stephanie Browning to enact regulations to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

- Columbia/Boone County hosts an information hub on COVID Cases that have been identified in the county, as well as information about the catchment area cases that the hospitals serve
- <http://gocolumbiamo.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=478880b83d5e4d35b646d80fe6f2c2f6>
- There are 5,627 confirmed cases in Boone County, 15 patients passed away, and 5,239 have recovered from the COVID 19 illness.

Columbia and Boone County issued extended Public Health Orders for Social Distancing to begin on October 16 and continue until another Public Health Order is issued or expire on November 3, they can be found at:

City: <https://www.como.gov/CMS/pressreleases/downloadfile.php?id=2551>

County: <https://www.como.gov/CMS/pressreleases/downloadfile.php?id=2552>

Columbia City Council Passed Mask Ordinance that will go into effect at 5:00 PM on July 10, 2020. It can be found:

<https://www.como.gov/wp-content/uploads/B168-20A-AKA-Face-Mask-Ordinance.pdf>

Boone County Office of Emergency Management opened a virtual EOC on 3/17/2020 to facilitate the coordination of efforts and resources to keep Boone County safe during COVID-19 response efforts.

**Columbia Public Schools returned to in seat classes for K-5 on 10/19/2020.**

The City of Columbia Neighborhood Services, in their role as Volunteer Coordination of the Boone Emergency Response Plan, has activated a COVID 19 Volunteer webpage, it can be found here: <https://www.como.gov/volunteer/covid/>

The City of Columbia has a dedicated webpage that provides a summary of City of Columbia services as they related to COVID-19 and it can be found here <https://www.como.gov/coronavirus/>

Received waiver from FDA for non-congregate feeding sites, this allows Columbia Public Schools and other children feeding programs to provide meals to children throughout the summer. <https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/covid-19/non-congregate-feeding-nationwide-waiver-extension>

As ESF-6 lead, City of Columbia Division of Human Services has activated a COVID-19 Get Help webpage website to list key human services resources needed during the pandemic: COVID-19 Get Help (<https://www.como.gov/health/gethelp-coronavirus/>).

As ESF-6 lead, City of Columbia Division of Human Services has organized five local funders (City, County, United Way, Community Foundation, and VU Foundation) in a collaborative called ComoHelps (<http://comohelps.org>). Through this collaborative we have consolidated financial donations for the COVID-19 response. Financial contributions are being routed to the Heart of Missouri United Way and the Community Foundation of Central Missouri. Nonprofit and governmental volunteer needs are posted, along with the opportunity for community members to sign up as unaffiliated volunteers for assignment as needed.

ComoHelps also developed a single, joint application for nonprofits to submit requests for funding. This expedites access to support for nonprofits and allows us to coordinate funding used in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The ComoHelps collaborative meets daily to review

and prioritize requests and to allocate funding. The current focus is on funding services being provided in response to COVID-19. Requests for nonprofit sustainability are being referred to federal CARES Act programs and tabled for later consideration. Because this funding collaborative is so unique, ComoHelps have received grants from state and national foundations.

The University of Missouri hosts a walk up clinic for COVID 19 testing to its MU Students beginning 8/24/2020.

MU Healthcare hosts a drive thru COVID 19 testing site located at 115 Business Loop 70 W. The site hours of operation to Mon-Fri 8 AM to 7 PM, Saturday 8 AM to Noon, and closed on Sundays.

Boone Hospital hosts a drive thru COVID 19 testing site. This site's hours of operation are Mon-Fri 8 AM-4:30 PM, and Saturdays 8 AM to Noon, closed on Sundays.