

<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>11/9/2020</b>	<u>Incident Start:</u> March 6, 2020
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<u>Summarized Operational Time Period:</u>	8:00 AM on 11/9/2020 to 5:00 PM on 11/9/2020	

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: 958
Deaths: 3,153	Released from Isolation: 6,468
Total: 212,441	Deaths: 18
	Total: 7,444

**Statistic Charts can be found at:**

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

## **Operations Report**

### Significant Events from Operational Period:

- Spoke with congregate living facility about individuals in quarantine.
- Providing guidance to business about sanitization practices.
- Provided media interviews to KMIZ, Columbia Tribune and KOMU about increase in cases.
- Updated banner on [como.gov/coronavirus](http://como.gov/coronavirus) to link to health resources page.
- Spoke to local school about guidance for cheerleaders.
- PHHS leadership spoke on the phone with a County Commissioner to plan agenda for next meeting.
- Provided interview to a radio station regarding the announcement of recent vaccine trials.
- Provided media interview to Columbia Tribune regarding the decision for local eating establishments to close, and how PHHS was not part of those closings.
- Current new cases were reviewed for data to ascertain if there was a pattern in relation to the surge.
- All guidance has been updated regarding CDC's 24 hour cumulative exposure change.
- A survey to non- profits was done to measure emerging needs and existing gaps.
- On boarded a new case investigator.
- Picked up a prescription and delivered to a pharmacy, the pharmacy delivered the medication to the individual who was in isolation/quarantine.
- Delivered letter of release to an individual who was in PHHS provided isolation/quarantine living quarters.
- Delivered cough medicine to individual in isolation/quarantine who was unable to meet the need on their own.
- Arranged for lengthened stays as appropriate for individual in isolation/quarantine.
- Approved Centralia middle school's gym plan.
- Environmental Health responded to and assigned staff to city/county complaints and inquiries.
- Continued case and contact investigations.

## **Media Brief**

### **COVID-19 News**

- [Pfizer says early analysis shows its COVID-19 vaccine is 90% effective](#)
- [Ben Carson is the latest Trump official to test positive for coronavirus](#)
- [National survey shows record number of Americans are stressed out](#)
- [COVID-19 infections are increasing in more than 40 states after an unprecedented weekend of more than 230,000 cases](#)
- [US confirmed coronavirus cases surpass 10 million as daily infections surge](#)

### **Local Media**

Tribune- [COVID impacts Columbia major chain restaurants](#)

KRCG- [Cole County Health Department will no longer take questions directly from media](#)

[St. Louis County may face renewed restrictions due to virus](#)

[County health departments swamped with COVID close temporarily](#)

[Missouri health officials scrambling to trace virus cases](#)

Missourian- [Columbia police reduce in-person contact as COVID-19 cases climb](#)

[Hospitals and Health Departments working on more accurate metric for COVID-19 capacity](#)

KOMU- [Monday COVID-19 Coverage: MU adds 49 student cases over the weekend](#)

[Boone Hospital warns of ICU patient overload](#)

[CPS Board of Education to decide start date for middle and high schoolers](#)

[More CPS students could see the classroom by the end of the month](#)

[Sunday COVID-19 Coverage: Boone County adds 123 new cases, over 1,000 active](#)

[Saturday COVID-19 Coverage: Missouri sees a 4,559 case increase since Friday](#)

KMIZ- [Monday Updates: Chariton County reports 64 new cases over weekend; children's and teen area temporarily closed at MRRL](#)

[Rally stressing safe return planned before Columbia Board of Education meeting](#)

[Cole County Commissioner urges residents to get flu shot](#)

### **Local Chatter**

- Concerned parents about CPS students plan to send middle and high schoolers back to in-person learning
- 6 CPS elementary closed from COVID-19 as of Friday

### **Situation Summary:**

COVID 19 has reached global transmission.

- Risk Assessment for travel: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/map-and-travel-notices.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

- 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.

- 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 223,441 confirmed cases in Missouri of individuals who have been diagnosed with COVID 19, 3,153 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 7,44 confirmed cases in Boone County, 18 patients passed away, and 6,468 have recovered from the COVID 19 illness.

Columbia and Boone County extended the Public Health Orders for Social Distancing to begin on November 3 and continue until another Public Health Order is issued or expire on November 17, they can be found at:

- City: <https://www.como.gov/wp-content/uploads/Health-Order-2020-14-City-of-Columbia-11-2-20-1.pdf>
- County: <https://www.como.gov/wp-content/uploads/Health-Order-2020-14C-Boone-County-11-2-20-1.pdf>

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.