



# MONTGOMERY COUNTY OFFICIALS UPDATE CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

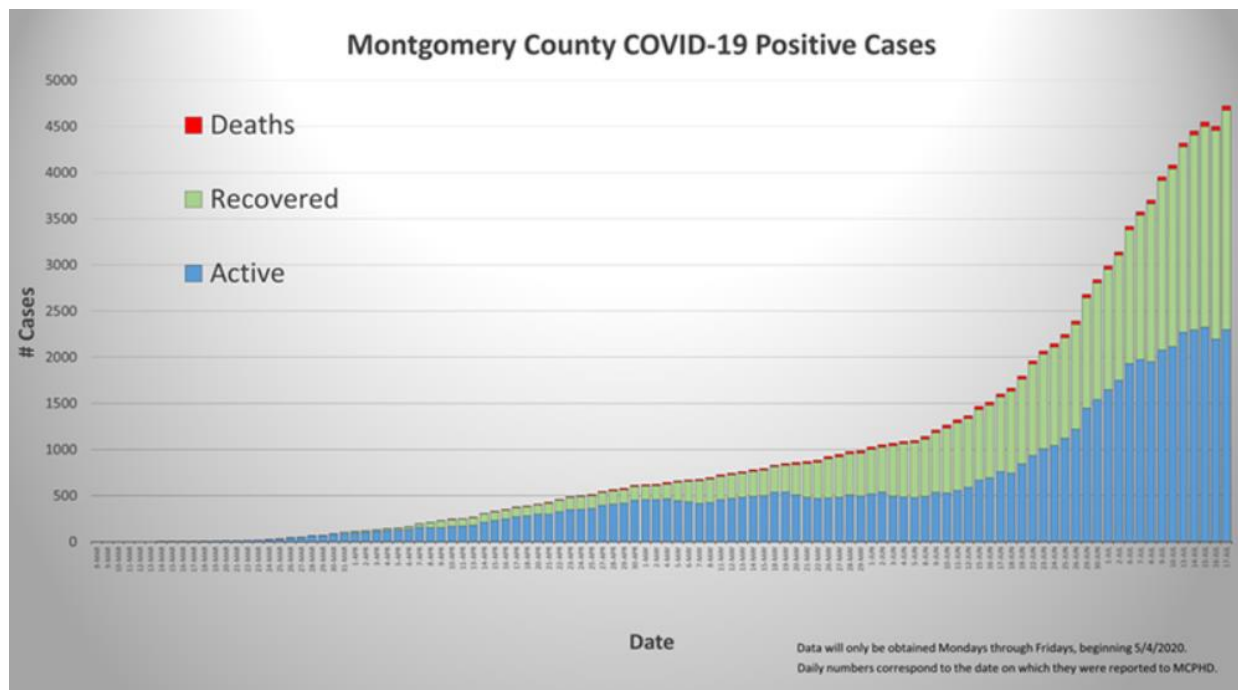
*Status Update from the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management*

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MONTGOMERY COUNTY — Our staff would like to address changes to the graph below as of 7/16/2020. In releases prior to July 16, the data in the graph was based on when contact was made with a case. As case reports increased, the time between receipt of the report and contact with the case also increased. In an effort to give you all the most accurate representation of COVID-19 in Montgomery County, starting on 7/16/2020, we revised the graph to reflect the date a case was reported to MCPHD. This allows us to show an accurate curve of COVID-19 – based on when positive cases were reported. We hope you all understand why this change was necessary.

Also, please note as of 7/16/2020, positive cases that have been “unable to contact” for more than 30 days will be considered “inactive.” This also allows for a more accurate reflection of active cases in our community.

Thank you for understanding the need for change to improve our processes during this unprecedented time.



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