



**NEWS RELEASE**

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**The Woodlands Township COVID-19 Update, Thursday, November 5, 2020**

***Township News***



**Free COVID-19 Testing at Township Town Hall--NEW HOURS**

The Woodlands Township is a host location for free COVID-19 testing performed by COVID-19 testing company, Curative, Inc. **Beginning today, Thursday, November 5, 2020, the hours will be 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.** The walk-up testing will take place seven days a week at The Woodlands Township Town Hall, located at 2801 Technology Forest Blvd. The Woodlands, TX 77381 until future notice. [Read the full release here.](#)

**Montgomery County Testing**

Residents may sign up online for Free COVID-19 testing at other locations at <https://www.mchd-tx.org>. Call 936-523-3916 for more information.

**Harris County Testing**

Residents may also sign up for free COVID-19 testing online at [hcphtx.org](http://hcphtx.org). Call 832-927-7575 for more information.

**The Woodlands Township Election**

Unofficial, consolidated results for The Woodlands Township Board of Directors election have been posted on the [Township's website](#). To view unofficial results on the county websites, please visit [www.montgomeryvotes.org](http://www.montgomeryvotes.org) and [www.harrisvotes.org](http://www.harrisvotes.org). Additional election information is online at [www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/novemberelection](http://www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/novemberelection).

## County News

### Montgomery County COVID-19 Case Count November 5, 2020

Montgomery County Public Health District, in conjunction with the Montgomery County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, can sadly confirm two additional deaths related to COVID-19.

- A woman in her 60s, from Conroe, died in the hospital. She had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19.
- A man in his 70s, from Magnolia, died in the hospital. He had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19.

They can also confirm:

- TOTAL cases of COVID-19 increased by 56 to 14,280 since yesterday's (11/4) report. All cases were tested in the past 7 days.
- ACTIVE cases of COVID-19 decreased by 42 to 2,008 since yesterday's (11/4) report.
- 36 residents are known, as a result of contact investigations, to be in the hospital. Contact investigations have not been initiated on all reported cases.
- 9,256 people have clinically recovered.

\*These numbers include PCR and rapid antigen testing. Antibody testing results are not included. Have questions? Please go to <https://mcphd-tx.org/> and scroll down to the FAQs.



You can find more information on the [SETRAC website](#).

Take steps to slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community.

- If your children have started in-person school, teach them proper hygiene and the correct way to wear a mask. Encourage them to never share masks with others.
- Consider staying home unless it is necessary to leave your home.
- Avoid groups of people.
- Practice social distancing.
- Wear a mask (if it is necessary to leave your home).
- Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer frequently.

- Disinfect surfaces in your car and around your home.

View the case-by-case updates on the MCPHD website [here](#). Refer to the dashboard [here](#).

### **Harris County COVID-19 Case Count**

Harris County Public Health (HCPH) publishes their daily case count, combined with the City of Houston's daily case count, [here](#). Cases by zip code in Harris County can be found by clicking on areas of the [map](#).

The Village of Creekside Park is located in two zip codes: 77375 and 77389, and these also include Magnolia, Augusta Pines/Auburn Lakes/West Rayford Road in northwest Harris County. Today, Harris County is reporting zip code 77375 has 1,443 confirmed positive cases with 153 active cases, and 77389 has 741 confirmed positive cases with 65 active cases.



### **COVID-19 Case Count Brief from The Woodlands Fire Department**

**As of Thursday, November 5, 2020**, + or – signifies change since previous report.

#### **Montgomery County**

14,280- Confirmed, +56 (All tested in the last 7 days)

2,008 - Active Cases, -42

159 - Deaths, +2

9,256 - Recovered, +56

36 - Hospitalized, +2

#### **Harris County**

79,181 - Confirmed, +547

5,647 - Active Cases, +283

925 - Deaths, +4

72,598 - Recovered, +260

### ***State and National News***



### **Governor Announces Extension of Emergency SNAP Benefits**

Governor Greg Abbott today announced that the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will provide approximately \$202 million in emergency Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) food benefits for the month of November as the state continues its response to the COVID-19 pandemic. [Read the full press release.](#)



### **IRS Letter about Stimulus Checks**

If you don't usually file a tax return, or didn't file a return for 2018 or 2019, you could qualify for an economic impact payment and might be one of the nine million people getting a letter from the IRS letting you know how to register on their website to claim your payment. The new deadline for filing is November 21, 2020.

If you receive this letter from the IRS, it's legit. Go only to the IRS's real website at [IRS.gov/EIP](https://www.irs.gov/EIP), or call them directly at 800-919-9835 to register to claim your payment. Beware of government imposter scams. The IRS will not text, email, or call you about your economic impact payment. And they'll never ask you to pay a fee to get your money. [Read the full article](#) from the Federal Trade Commission.

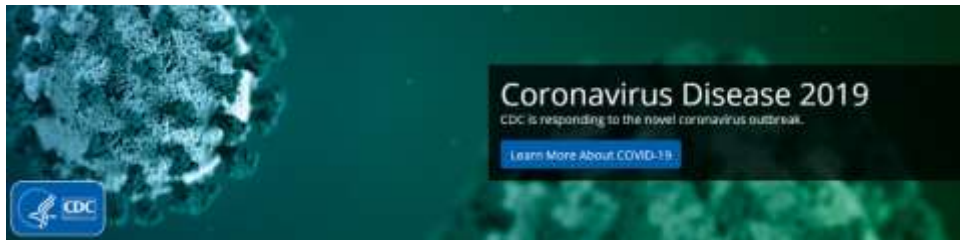


### **It's a Good Time to Get Your Flu Vaccine**

While the United States remains focused on the COVID-19 pandemic, it is important to be aware of flu season as winter approaches, with activity peaking between December and February. Getting vaccinated now can lower your chances of getting the flu. Flu vaccines approved by the FDA provide important benefits and are your best defense from flu and its potential complications. [Learn more from the FDA.](#)

### ***Community Resources***

Numerous resources are available in the community for support. These vary from food banks to financial assistance and much more. Please visit the [Community Resources webpage](#) to find more information about resources in the community related to COVID-19.



### **Keep Up with Best Practices During the Pandemic at CDC.GOV**

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

### **The Woodlands Township COVID-19 eNewsletter**

The Woodlands Township COVID-19 (Coronavirus) informational eNewsletter is published every Tuesday and Thursday and as needed. [Manage your notifications and subscriptions.](#)



### **Township's Coronavirus Page**

The Woodlands Township's COVID-19 page can be found at [www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/covid19](http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/covid19). This page features Montgomery and Harris county hubs, community resources and news from the Federal Government and the CDC. It also includes the latest news from the Township, partner agencies, important links, FAQs, live Twitter feeds and more.

### **Stay Connected**

Please stay connected to The Woodlands Township through our many communications channels. Learn more and sign up at [www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/stayinformed](http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/stayinformed).

### **Stay Informed with The Woodlands Township**

Sign up for news and alerts from the Township at [www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/notifyme](http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/notifyme). During a weather-related event, additional information can be found at [www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/emergency](http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/emergency).

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*The Woodlands Township publishes this update to inform residents and businesses regarding COVID-19 and its impact on The Woodlands Township. Please sign up for Township news and notifications at [www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/notifyme](http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/notifyme). This newsletter is published every Tuesday and Thursday, or as needed.*