



NEWS RELEASE

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The Woodlands Township COVID-19 Update, Tuesday, May 25, 2021

Township Bids Farewell to COVID-19 E-letter

With the increase of vaccination availability and declining numbers of infection in the community, The Woodlands Township will discontinue the COVID-19 e-letter as of this issue, #207 in total. Since the beginning of the pandemic, The Woodlands Township has served as the key source of consolidated information and resources to help The Woodlands residents and businesses confront the pandemic. The Township began this e-letter publication 7 days a week for several months and then moved to twice a week and once a week this spring. In all, the Township issued 207 COVID-19 e-letters, numerous social media posts and created multiple pages on its website. The Woodlands Township will continue to update its COVID-19 webpage located at www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/covid19.

We thank you for your support and readership of this information and for trusting us to provide comprehensive information for our residents and businesses. We are #TownshipTogether.

We hope you'll continue to seek accurate and up to date information from The Woodlands Township by subscribing to our Community newsletters -- sign up for all Township updates to stay informed going forward of emergency types of information from The Woodlands Township.

New Mask Guidelines for Fully Vaccinated

The CDC has announced that fully vaccinated people can resume activities without wearing a mask or physically distancing, except where required by federal, state, local, tribal, or territorial laws, rules, and regulations, including local business and workplace guidance.

[Read the complete update.](#)

Get Your Vaccine

Individual hospitals, physicians' offices and pharmacies have vaccines available. Please check their websites for additional information. You can find a list of providers and additional information on the [Department of State Health Services \(DSHS\) website](#). Another helpful resource for locating vaccines is www.vaccinefinder.org.

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in the U.S.

US states, territories, and District of Columbia have reported 32,947,548 cases of COVID-19 in the United States. CDC provides updated U.S. case information online daily. In addition to cases, deaths, and laboratory testing, CDC's COVID Data Tracker now has a [Vaccinations](#) tab to track distribution of COVID-19 vaccines in your state.

Avoid Vaccine-Related Scams

Scammers are doubling down on their efforts to scam people out of their money and personal information. The FTC and the National Association of Attorneys General (NAAG) are teaming up to remind you: No matter what anyone tells you, you can't buy COVID-19 vaccines online and there's no out-of-pocket cost to get the shots. Here are some ways to avoid a vaccine-related scam:

- Ignore online ads, social media posts, or phone calls from people offering to sell you the COVID-19 vaccine.
- Don't pay to sign up for the vaccine.
- Don't pay out of pocket for a vaccine.
- Never share your personal, financial or health information with people you don't know.
- Contact a trusted source for information.
- Don't post your vaccination card to your social media account.

[Read the full article.](#)

COVID-19 Texas Vaccination Data Dashboard

A dashboard is available through the Texas Department of State Health Services showing COVID-19 vaccination data in Texas. Currently about 47 percent of the Texas population has been vaccinated. [View the dashboard.](#)

COVID-19 TESTING

Curative Testing Still Available in The Woodlands

All three Township testing locations will continue through June 30, 2021. Testing is free, and each location is open daily from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information about COVID-19 testing by Curative, please visit the Township [website](#), or www.curative.com. All sites will be closed on Memorial Day. The three locations are as follows.

- The Woodlands Township Town Hall, 2801 Technology Forest Blvd., The Woodlands, TX 77381.
- Recreation Center at Rob Fleming Park, 6464 Creekside Forest Drive, The Woodlands, TX 77389. Appointments are recommended for this location and can be made at www.curative.com.
- Sterling Ridge Park and Ride, 8001 McBeth Way, The Woodlands, TX 77382.

COUNTY NEWS

Montgomery County COVID Update

Montgomery County Public Health District, in conjunction with the Montgomery County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, would like to encourage residents to be vaccinated against COVID-19. According to CDC guidelines, it is safe for fully vaccinated residents to forego wearing a mask in most instances.

Multiple providers are offering second doses only at Woodforest Stadium. **This site will close Tuesday, June 1, 2021.** If you have questions, please call the Montgomery County COVID-19 Call Center at 936-523-3916. The call center is available Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Other hospitals, physicians' offices, and pharmacies also have vaccines available for all adults. Please check their websites and Facebook pages for additional information. You can find a list of providers and additional information on the DSHS website here:

<https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/coronavirus/immunize/vaccine-hubs.aspx>.

Today, the county can confirm three additional deaths related to COVID-19.

- A man in his 60s, from Spring, died in the hospital. He had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19.
- A woman in her 70s, from Magnolia, died in the hospital. She had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19.
- A man in his 70s, from Porter, 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 11 to 54,199 since Monday's (5/24) report.
- ACTIVE cases of COVID-19 decreased by 159 to 1,139 since Monday's (5/24) report. On Tuesdays and Fridays, they account for additional inactive cases who they have been unable to contact for 30 days or more. Today, they added 94 inactive cases, bringing the total to 23,762.
- 68 county residents are known, as a result of contact investigations, to be in the hospital. Contact investigations have not been initiated on all reported cases.
- 28,824 people have clinically recovered.

The Testing Positivity Rate for Montgomery County is 6%, down from 7%. This number is updated weekly on Wednesdays.

Source: UT Health, School of Public Health

**These numbers include PCR and rapid antigen testing. We do not include antibody testing.*

SETRAC data for regional hospitalizations can be found here: <https://bit.ly/3jwhdiV>.

The COVID-19 dashboard for Montgomery County can be found here: <https://coronavirus-response-moco.hub.arcgis.com/>.

Do your part to slow the spread of COVID-19.

- ***Get vaccinated.***
- ***Avoid groups of people.***
- ***Practice social distancing.***
- ***Wear a mask in public (over your nose and mouth) or with others who live outside your household if you are NOT fully vaccinated. Never share a mask with others.***
- ***Teach children proper hygiene and the correct way to wear a mask.***
- ***Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer frequently.***
- ***Disinfect surfaces in your car and around your home.***

Harris County COVID-19 Case Count

Harris County and the City of Houston launched a new data hub website, replacing their previous dashboard. The [new website](#) features information and data related to COVID-19 in Harris County, trends, metrics for success, zip code data and much more. Be sure to use an updated browser to [view the site](#).

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 4,573 confirmed positive cases with 109 active cases, and 77389 has 2,574 confirmed positive cases with 46 active cases.

Questions?

The Montgomery County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management offers call center hours Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. for Montgomery County residents, 65 years and older. Call 936-523-3916 during these hours to be assisted.

Harris County has established a hotline for their senior constituents through the HCP4 Encore Department. The HCP4 Encore staff is available as a resource to offer more information on the vaccination registration process from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, at 713-274-4050.

COVID-19 Case Count Brief from The Woodlands Fire Department

All numbers since 5/18/2021

Montgomery County

54,199 – Confirmed +324

1,139 – Active -191

308 – Deaths +8

28,824 – Recovered +312

68 – Hospitalized -10

Harris County

206,563 - Confirmed +1,338

3,285 - Active Cases -815

1,766 - Deaths +67

201,490 - Recovered +2,084

Montgomery County Testing

Do you have questions regarding COVID-19 or COVID-19 testing? The Montgomery County COVID-19 Call Center's number is 936-523-3916. It is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Harris County Testing

Residents may also sign up for free COVID-19 testing online at hcphtx.org. Call 832-927-7575 for more information.

RESOURCES

More COVID Resources

The Woodlands Township's COVID-19 page can be found at <https://www.thewoodlandstowship-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 with The Woodlands Township

Please stay connected to The Woodlands Township through our many communications channels. Learn more and sign up at <https://www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/stayinformed>.

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.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/notifyme. This newsletter is published weekly on Tuesdays, or as needed. This issue, published May 25, 2021, is the last scheduled COVID-19 weekly update.