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“Public Health Officials Announce New Cases of COVID-19; Total 26 Cases in LaSalle County”

The LaSalle County Health Department (LCHD) has confirmed two additional COVID-19 cases in LaSalle County bringing the total to 26 cases. The additional cases are a female in her 60’s and a male in his 40’s. The individuals are in isolation.

Two additional cases have recovered and have been released from isolation. The total number of recovered individuals for LaSalle County is 10.

Federal privacy restrictions prohibit the release of any additional information regarding this case. Public health officials are working actively to identify and investigate all individuals who were in contact with the case. No further information regarding the investigation is available at this time.

As COVID-19 spreads, the focus in our communities should not be whether you have been exposed but rather, assume you have been exposed and take measures to decrease the transmission to others. All LaSalle County residents are strongly encouraged to adhere to all of the required precautions necessary to protect their families and the community, to slow the spread of COVID-19.

The LaSalle County Health Department encourages residents to stay informed on the evolving situation. Get the latest guidance for school, employers and community preparedness by visiting Preventing COVID-19 Spread in Communities or by visiting the Health Department’s website at www.lasallecounty.org. For general questions about COVID-19, call the IDPH hotline at 1-800-889-3931 or email dph.sick@illinois.gov.

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