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**Immediate Release**

### **“Public Health Officials Announce Additional COVID-19 Deaths; No New Cases of COVID-19 Confirmed; Total 140 Cases in LaSalle County”**

The LaSalle County Health Department (LCHD) was notified of three additional novel coronavirus (COVID-19)-related deaths in LaSalle County, Illinois. The individuals, two males in their 60’s, and a female in her 90’s, had earlier tested positive for COVID-19. There has been a total of thirteen COVID-19 related deaths in LaSalle County.

“The Department joins the rest of the community in mourning these losses, as well as all of the losses we’ve experienced over the past few months from this illness. Our thoughts and prayers are with the families in this trying time,” LaSalle County Health Department Administrator Julie Kerestes said in a statement.

There are no additional confirmed cases or recoveries to report today. The total number of confirmed COVID-19 cases remains at 140 and 73 recovered individuals for LaSalle County.

As COVID-19 spreads and testing increases, we expect to see our cases increase. People should continue to practice social distancing and not let their guard down. 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](http://www.lasallecounty.org). For general questions about COVID-19, call the IDPH hotline at 1-800-889-3931 or email [dph.sick@illinois.gov](mailto:dph.sick@illinois.gov).

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