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For Immediate Release

“Public Health Officials Announce Additional COVID-19 Deaths; No New Cases of COVID-19 Confirmed; Total 154 Cases in LaSalle County”

The LaSalle County Health Department (LCHD) was notified of two additional novel coronavirus (COVID-19)-related deaths in LaSalle County, Illinois. The individuals, a male in his 70’s and a male in his 90’s, had earlier tested positive for COVID-19. There has been a total of fifteen COVID-19 related deaths in LaSalle County. The Health Department would like to extend their deepest condolences to the families.

Four additional cases have recovered and have been released from isolation. The total number of recovered individuals for LaSalle County is 85.

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. 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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