



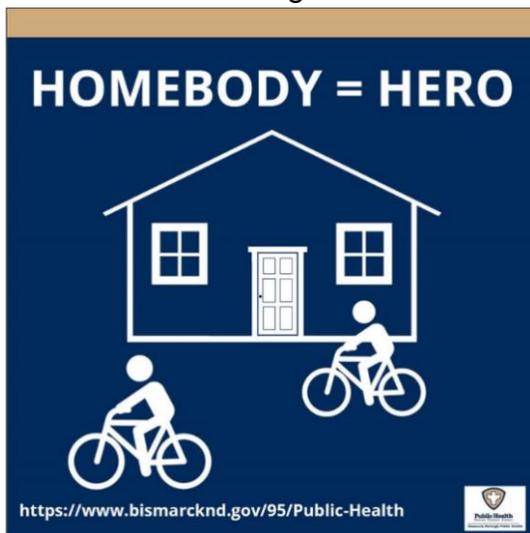
CITY OF BISMARCK DAILY BULLETIN

April 20, 2020

Bismarck-Burleigh Public Health (BBPH) Update

- Burleigh County had 5 positive COVID-19 cases over the weekend. Burleigh County has the third-most cases of COVID-19 in the state with 63 cases, as of Sunday, trailing Grand Forks County and Cass County.
- A new temporary shelter program has been created for vulnerable individuals in North Dakota who cannot stay at existing homeless and domestic violence shelters because they have tested positive for COVID-19, are showing symptoms and are awaiting test results, or need to be in quarantine because of recent travel to the state from hotspot areas.
- COVID-19-related scams are becoming more prevalent during the pandemic. These scams can relate to anything from stimulus check information, or texts/emails prompting you to visit web links that are potentially loaded with spyware, or other types of malware. If you feel like you might be a victim of a scam, contact local law enforcement.
- As various entities start conducting business in the new pandemic-normal, keeping employees safe will be critical moving forward. Information from the CDC is available online, [here](#) and [here](#), along with sheets that can be printed:

Bismarck-Burleigh Public Health's 'Homebody Hero' campaign supplies a daily post with a variety of creative ideas designed to serve as a guide for activities that anybody can do at home to help them stay healthy, active and occupied throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.



Participate in the 'Homebody Hero' campaign by following Bismarck-Burleigh Public Health at www.facebook.com/BBPH.gov.

Bismarck-Burleigh Public Health Director Renae Moch encourages people to tell friends, family, and anyone who will listen to **STAY HOME!**



COVID-19 Case Reports, North Dakota Department of Health

Coronavirus Cases

Updated around 11:00 AM daily

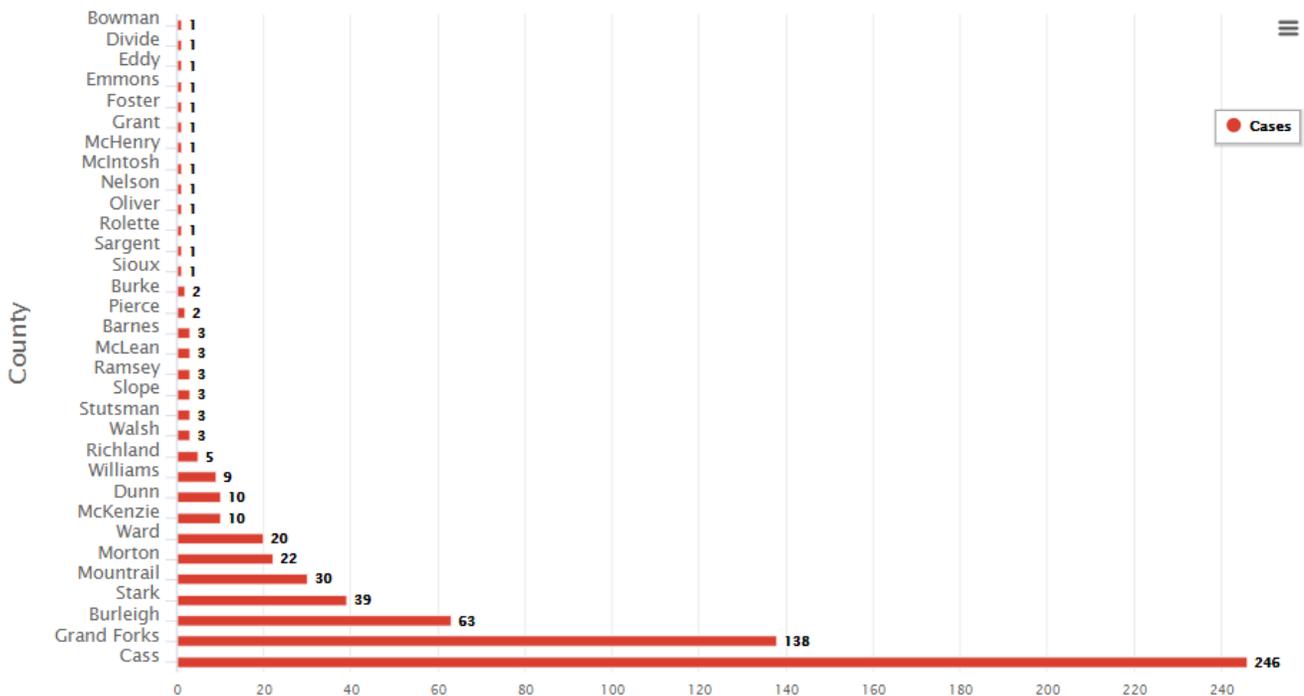
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As of April 20, Burleigh County now has the **third** highest number of positive cases. There are now 627 positive COVID-19 cases in the state of North Dakota. **Five new cases in Burleigh County were reported over the weekend, raising the total number of positive cases to 63 in Burleigh County.** Currently, there are 17 individuals hospitalized throughout the state. The first, positive, pregnant case in North Dakota was confirmed April 2, 2020. ([CDC Guidance for Pregnant Women](#))

There were an additional 4 deaths related to COVID-19 in North Dakota over the weekend, raising the statewide total to 13 COVID-19 related deaths.

Total Positive Cases by County





COVID-19 Recommendations

There is still a need to emphasize the importance of social distancing as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control. Everyone has an individual responsibility for the health and safety of our community during this COVID-19 pandemic. [Learn more about social distancing and how to protect yourself](#)



Are you using a cloth face covering when you're out in public? That's great! The [CDC recommends](#) wearing cloth face coverings in public settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain (e.g., grocery stores and pharmacies), **especially** in areas of significant community-based transmission. If you are wearing a cloth face covering, make sure you're washing it regularly to maximize its ability to slow the spread.



Facebook Live Updates

Assistant City Administrator Jason Tomanek, along with Bismarck-Burleigh Public Health Director Renae Moch, provided information on the combined response by the City of Bismarck and Bismarck-Burleigh Public Health to the COVID-19 pandemic. Watch future Bismarck-Burleigh Public Health updates [here](#) at 11 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.



Highlights from today's presentation include:

- A new temporary shelter program has been created for vulnerable individuals in North Dakota
- COVID-19-related scams are becoming more prevalent during the pandemic.
- Keeping employees safe will be critical moving forward. Information from the CDC is available online, [here](#) and [here](#) along with information that can be printed.



City of Bismarck Mayor Steve Bakken provides a City Update each Monday morning regarding the City's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.



Be sure to watch Mayor Bakken's City Update every Monday at 10 a.m. [here](#). Highlights from today include:

- Fire danger rating raised to high for the Bismarck area. See more [here](#).
- Bismarck offers residents free disposal at landfill in lieu of Spring Clean-up week. [More details](#).
- Reminder to participate in the Bismarck-Mandan Business Impact of COVID-19 [survey](#).
- The Bismarck Police Department has gone virtual with "Coffee with a Cop" each Thursday morning at 10 a.m. Check it out [here](#).

City of Bismarck News

- **Bismarck offers virtual option for public meeting attendance and participation**
Due to ongoing public health concerns related to COVID-19, the City of Bismarck is encouraging citizens to provide their comments for consent agenda, and regular agenda items on the Bismarck City Commission agenda by alternative methods. View the details [here](#).
- **City of Bismarck Arbor Day event postponed**
The annual Arbor Day event scheduled to take place on Friday, May 1, has been postponed until fall due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Once a new date has been determined, the city will announce it to the public through the [City website](#), social media and local media sources.
- **Reminder from Bismarck Fire Department that burning yard waste is prohibited**
The Bismarck Fire Department reminds residents that the City of Bismarck's Code of Ordinance prohibits the burning of yard waste within City limits. Yard waste includes: leaves, dry grass, weeds, and brush. Please refer to the Bismarck Public Works Department's [webpage](#) for details.
- **Building Inspections Services Division COVID-19 protocol developed**
The City of Bismarck Building Inspections Services Division is working hard to continue to provide inspections services during this unprecedented time. [More details here](#).
- **The Downtowners Association and the City of Bismarck have partnered to establish temporary curbside pickup zones in Downtown Bismarck**
Please help to support our local businesses as you continue to follow the health guidelines for safety during COVID-19. There are currently 8 zones in Downtown Bismarck. [View the map](#).
- **We encourage the public to follow Bismarck-Burleigh Public Health and the City of Bismarck on our social media sites** for essential information. Visit the City of Bismarck web site at www.bismarcknd.gov and follow us on <https://www.facebook.com/BBPH.gov/>, <https://twitter.com/BBPublicHealth>, www.facebook.com/bismarcknd.gov and www.twitter.com/BismarckNDGov.



- **Emergency Alert Feature is Now Activated on the City of Bismarck Website.** This Emergency Alert Feature provides you with the latest news and information on COVID-19 and the actions the City of Bismarck is taking in response to it. To receive real-time updates via text and email from the alert system on your handheld devices [sign up for “Notify Me”](#).
- **Stay Connected with the City of Bismarck Mobile App** Download Bismarck’s mobile app to stay connected to official city resources, news, and information from your smart phone, tablet or other hand-held devices. [Sign up today!](#)
- **Remember that live meeting coverage of government meetings** is available for viewing on Government Access Channels 2 & 602HD or listen to the meeting at Radio Access 102.5 FM Radio, or stream [Government Access](#) and [Radio Access 102.5](#).

Executive Orders

- Apr. 15, 2020
Governor Burgum extends business restrictions for 10 days, outlines path forward for reopening
Governor Doug Burgum signed an [amended executive order](#) that extends closures on certain businesses through April 30, and outlined a path forward for them to reopen as the number of COVID-19 cases in North Dakota continues to climb. [Learn more](#).
- Find [more Executive Orders](#) related to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Find more information about the state’s COVID-19 response [here](#) and find [recent news releases](#).



North Dakota State Government

- Apr. 17, 2020 **North Dakota creates temporary shelter program to serve vulnerable individuals**
Friday, a multi-agency task force announced a new temporary shelter program in North Dakota for vulnerable individuals who are homeless and who cannot safely stay at existing homeless and domestic violence shelters because they have tested positive for COVID-19, are showing symptoms and awaiting test results, or need to be in quarantine because of recent travel to the state from hotspot areas. [Find more information](#).
- Apr. 14, 2020 **North Dakota COVID-19 Community Impact Survey**
The North Dakota Department of Commerce wants to understand how the Coronavirus pandemic is impacting communities and individuals across our state. [Take the Survey](#)
- **Links for Recent ND News Related to COVID-19**
[North Dakota Department of Health](#) or [ND Response](#)



Local Information

- The Burleigh County Courthouse is restricting public access due to COVID-19. Contact them at 701-355-1350 or website <https://www.bismarcknd.gov/93/Municipal-Court> for instructions regarding alternate communications (phone, email, website, mail, drop box).
- Effective March 23, 2020, Bis-Man Transit restricted public access to its facility and implemented changes to Capital Area Transit (fixed-route) and Paratransit service until further notice. Call 701-258-6817 or visit <https://bisantransit.com/> for more information.

Information and Resources

- [Daily Bulletin](#)
- [City of Bismarck website](#)
- COVID-19 information [NDDoH website](#)
- COVID-19 Hotline 7 am-8 pm, 7 days a week: 1-866-207-2880
- [Centers for Disease Control](#)
[Español](#)
- Mental Health Resources
 - [Behavioral Health Resources and Services](#)
 - [FirstLink Help Line 211](#) or Dial 2-1-1
 - [ND Human Services COVID-19 Behavioral Health Resources](#)
 - West Central Human Service Center 24-Hour Crisis Line Call 701-328-8899 or toll-free 1-888-328-2112
- [Disaster Distress Helpline](#)
 - Call 1-800-985-5990
 - Text "TalkWithUs" to 66746
- [Resources for Veterans](#)
 - Fargo VA Call Center 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. daily. 701-293-3700 Ext. 2319
- [Where to Go for Help Resources](#)
- [NDResponse.gov](#)
- [ND Response: COVID-19 Personal, Family and Community Support](#)
- [North Dakota COVID-19 Community Impact Survey](#)
- [COVID19 Resources for Business](#)
- Department of Commerce [resources for businesses](#)
- [ND Attorney General Consumer Protection consumer complaints](#) call toll-free 1-800-472-2600
- [Federal Trade Commission Tips for Coronavirus Scams](#)
- [Missouri River system Game and Fish boat ramp access status](#)
- Follow us on www.facebook.com/BBPH.gov and www.twitter.com/BBPublicHealth
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