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## PRESS RELEASE – Free Coronavirus (COVID-19) testing in Lee County Results

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Last week the Texas Department of State Health Services, Texas Division of Emergency Management, the Texas Military Department, Emergency Medical Task Force, and the Hospital Preparedness Program Healthcare Coalitions, conducted free COVID-19 testing by appointment at the Giddings Public Library.

Free Coronavirus Testing Numbers (April 29, 2020):

Test: 65

Negative: 61

Pending: 4

Total Confirmed Cases: 2 (prior to April 29<sup>th</sup>)

Recovered Cases: 2 (prior to April 29<sup>th</sup>)

Deaths: 0

With Texas reopening on Friday, May 1, 2020, the Courthouse and other county offices have moved forward to normal operations. Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, the Southeast entrance of the courthouse has opened to the public. All other courthouse entrances will remain locked. Each office will be establishing their own health and hygiene protocols to maintain social distancing and personal protection. Please call ahead with your requests so that each department can be prepared to meet your needs.

Governor Abbott will be giving guidance on Phase II of reopening Texas around May 18<sup>th</sup>. The County is currently working on submitting paperwork to the State for the possibility of reopening Lee County as a 50% capacity county.

***“People over the age of 65, are strongly encouraged to stay at home as much as possible; to maintain appropriate distance from any member of the household who has been out of the resident in the previous 14 days; and if leaving the home, to implement social distancing and to practice good hygiene, environmental cleanliness, and sanitation.”***

The County would like to thank the residents, businesses, and churches who have adopted new ways to safely provide essential services in following with Governor Abbott’s directive for Phase 1. Thank you, to the local healthcare providers, EMS, first responders, and nursing home staff who are doing a great job in keeping the community and residents safe. Thanks to all restaurant, grocery, and retail workers who go to work every day and provide the public with essential products and services.

Lee County is looking forward to the opportunity to get our local businesses going again and citizens back to work. In order to get through Phase I of the Governor’s plan, now is not the time to relax, we **must** continue to be mindful of good hygiene and social distancing. Stay home. Think smart. Be safe.

Call the Lee County, the City of Giddings, and the City of Lexington, COVID-19 call center for information and resources. The call center number is 866-686-7873.

For updates: Lee County website – [www.co.lee.tx.us](http://www.co.lee.tx.us)