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Tarrant County Public Health confirms another COVID-19 death

April 8, 2020 (Tarrant County, TX) – Tarrant County Public Health (TCPH) today reported that a resident of Euless has died as the result of the COVID-19 virus. The man in his 30s had underlying health conditions.

Tarrant County has now seen a total of 19 confirmed deaths from the COVID-19 virus. Fifty-three people have recovered.

Tarrant County Public Health Director Vinny Taneja strongly urged all residents to engage only in essential activities; stay home as much as possible and maintain social distancing. "It's unfortunate for our community to see the death toll rising from COVID-19," he said.

"These are difficult times for the families and friends of those we have lost to this disease. Our hearts go out to them."

COVID-19 causes respiratory illness with cough, fever and shortness of breath and may lead to bronchitis and severe pneumonia. All residents should continue to practice the following preventive measures to protect themselves from the COVID-19 virus:

- Stav home as much as possible.
- If you do go out, wear a mask or scarf to cover your mouth and nose.
- Practice social distancing by staying six feet away from others when you are out.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Don't touch your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- If you experience difficulty breathing or persistent fever, call your primary care provider.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue or your sleeve.
- Frequently clean and disinfect touched objects and surfaces.

For more information go to coronavirus.tarrantcounty.com or call the Tarrant County Public Health information line, 817-248-6299, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.