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## Tarrant County Public Health reports four more COVID-19 deaths

April 14, 2020 (Tarrant County, TX) -Tarrant County Public Health (TCPH) today reported that four more Tarrant County residents have died as the result of the COVID-19 virus. The deceased, all from Fort Worth, include a man in his 70s, two men in their 80s and a woman in her 80s. All had underlying health conditions.

Tarrant County now has 29 confirmed deaths from the COVID-19 virus. 103 people have recovered.

“We are saddened by every death that occurs because of this virus,” said Tarrant County Public Health Director Vinny Taneja. “Our best hope to save lives in the future is to persevere; keep following the guidelines, and we will emerge stronger than before.”

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:

- Stay 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](https://coronavirus.tarrantcounty.com) or call the Tarrant County Public Health information line, 817-248-6299, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.