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Grant County Emergency Operations Center

COVID-19 Response / Planning

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The Grant County Health Department has reported **7 confirmed cases of COVID-19** in Grant County

The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) has identified 1,514 total presumptive positive cases of COVID-19 and 32 deaths and 9,830 tests in the state since Friday, March 6.

In response to those who have offered to donate, the Community Foundation of Grant County has established a "Grant County Emergency Management Agency Pass-through Fund" as a way to support the Grant County EMA in supplying personnel protective equipment and needed materials in combatting COVID-19. This fund will purchase the necessary protective equipment and needed materials to protect our first responders and healthcare workers on the front lines of combatting COVID-19 in Grant County, Indiana.

The Web address to donate is; <https://givetogrant.org/gcema/>

The public's efforts at social distancing are working however we are still anticipating a surge of cases of COVID-19 that has the potential to cause issues within our healthcare facilities, among our health workers and first responders. It will remain necessary for a considerable amount of time yet to practice social distancing until we are sure our healthcare system can care for all of us.

Sadly, there have been reports of employers refusing to allow employees to work solely on the bases of them being the spouse of a healthcare worker. We were advised in a conference call by the State Department that discrimination of any kind during this time would not be tolerated and the emergency declaration did not give anyone the right to decimate for any reason!

If you have health questions related to the COVID-19 virus MGH has a specific call number rather than calling the Emergency Department. The number is 765-660-6999.

Respectfully,

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