



## Ford County Public Health Department

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### Ford County, IL Daily COVID-19 Update

Ford County Public Health Department (FCPHD) is announcing one new confirmed case today. The individual is a male in his 40's.

Ford County has a total of 19 confirmed cases, including one death. Three of the confirmed cases are associated with congregate living facilities. These numbers are accurate as of the release time. Public health officials continue to investigate and contact all individuals who may have had exposure to individuals that tested positive for COVID-19. Federal privacy restrictions prohibit the release of any further information.

- For zip code level information on confirmed positive COVID-19 cases, please visit the IDPH Virtual map at: <https://www.dph.illinois.gov/covid19/covid19-statistics>. Please note, data will not be shown unless a zip code has six or more confirmed cases. This is consistent with Collection, Disclosure, and Confidentiality of Health Statistics (77 Ill. Adm. Code 1005). Zip code area 60957 is now being reported.
- For information on long term care facilities with cases of COVID-19 among residents and staff, please visit: <https://www.dph.illinois.gov/covid19/long-term-care-facility-outbreaks-covid-19>. Information provided at this link is provisional, subject to change, and updated weekly. Facilities report data to their local health departments, which in-turn report to IDPH, so lag time and discrepancies are to be expected.

### COVID-19 and Cancer

A cancer diagnosis and its treatments can bring many challenges. The possibility of getting seriously ill from COVID-19 adds to these challenges. It is important for cancer patients, survivors, and caregivers to know what to do to protect their health and reduce the risk of getting COVID-19. For information on cancer resources and steps cancer patients, survivors, and caregivers can take to stay healthy during the COVID-19 pandemic, visit:

- American Cancer Society - The American Cancer Society is available via live chat or by 24-hour helpline at 800-227-2345. <https://www.cancer.org/about-us/what-we-do/coronavirus-covid-19-and-cancer.html>
- Centers for Disease Control (CDC) – The CDC offers *Staying Well While Staying at Home*, a guide for cancer patients and their caregivers and family members. [https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/survivors/staying-well-at-home.htm?deliveryName=USCDC\\_9\\_13-DM27786](https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/survivors/staying-well-at-home.htm?deliveryName=USCDC_9_13-DM27786)
- Wellness House – Get support, build knowledge, and connect with others through classes, lectures, social events, and supportive groups led by our experts. Wellness House also offers virtual nutrition and physical activity programs. All services and programs are at no cost to participants. <https://wellnesshouse.org/>

Please visit our website ([www.fordcountyphd.org](http://www.fordcountyphd.org)) and follow our Facebook page for additional COVID-19 resources and updates. For general questions about COVID-19, call the Illinois Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Hotline at 1(800) 889-3931 or send an email to: [DPH.SICK@ILLINOIS.GOV](mailto:DPH.SICK@ILLINOIS.GOV) anytime, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.