



## Public Notice of confirmed positive COVID-19

May 22, 2020

White County Government has learned that individual(s) in the Courthouse have tested positive and/or are exhibiting symptoms and awaiting testing results for COVID-19 (2019 novel coronavirus).

We have reached out directly to those employees whom we are aware of that were in "close contact" with the impacted individuals which is defined by the CDC as "being within approximately 6 feet of a COVID-19 case for a prolonged period of time" and instructed them to self-quarantine at home. (unless the employee is a critical infrastructure worker, as defined by the CDC, in which case the person may be allowed to continue to work, and additional specific measures would be implemented to protect that employee and others. See CDC's new guidelines for critical infrastructure workers who have been exposed to COVID-19). All symptomatic employees are to remain home.

Safety is our top priority during these circumstances. We have consulted the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) resources and the Local Health Department, and as such, will be taking the following precautions:

1. The Courthouse building was deep cleaned on May 21, 2020 as it has been in previous weeks. Additional sanitation efforts will continue as long as necessary.
2. While most employees were not in close contact with the individuals, we recommended that all employees take the following precautions:
  - a. Monitor personal health symptoms
  - b. If symptoms develop, self- quarantine, call their Department Head, and to contact their healthcare provider
  - c. Practice social distancing, wear a mask as recommended
  - d. Wash hands frequently and avoid touching of the face

While we understand that this may cause concerns, we want to assure everyone that we are taking every precaution possible and care about employee health, the health of their families, and the community.