



ARKANSAS COVID-19 UPDATE April 17, 2020

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- STATE OF EMERGENCY: **YES** (since 3/11/2020)
- AR Major Disaster Declaration: **Fed Approval**
- AR COUNTIES (75) WITH CONFIRMED CASES: **70**

CONFIRMED CASES

- **CORRECTIONAL FACILITY CONFIRMED CASES**
 - Number of Locations: 3
 - Federal Facility, Forrest City: **57 inmates**, 9 staff
 - State Facilities
 - Little Rock: **62 inmates**, 27 staff
 - Pine Bluff: **129 inmates**
- **NURSING HOME CONFIRMED CASES**
 - Number of Locations: 28
 - Nursing Home Residents: **116**
 - Nursing Home Workers: 80
 - Number of deaths: 7
- **HOSPITALIZED: 93 WITH VENTILATOR: 23**
- **HEALTHCARE WORKERS: 228**

Active COVID-19 Cases in AR: 1065

Total Confirmed 4/16: **1620**

New since 4/16: **+75**

Total Confirmed Positive to Date: 1695

Total Deaths 4/16: 37

New since 4/16: 0

Total Deaths to Date: 37

Post-Peak Advisory Committee Goals

1. Restoring the economy in a timely fashion
 - a. May 4 goal to start the first phase
2. Protecting our most vulnerable
3. Maintaining adequate healthcare capacity
 - a. Increased contact tracing
 - b. More PPE
4. Preventing resurgence in communities

OTHER INFORMATION:

- SCHOOLS CLOSURE: **through end of school year**
- UNEMP BENEFITS: **Over 150,000 claims have been received and processed. Checks are going out to claimants. Independent Contractors: Provide your contact information to receive notification from AR Department of Workforce Services about Pandemic Unemployment Assistance they are able to receive and process your claim:**
www.bit.ly/3e5qZWd
- OUT OF STATE TRAVEL: **There will be immediate placement of message boards on roadways advising there is no recreational lodging in AR for those from out of state.**
- \$\$ FOR SMALL BUSINESS: **SBA has provided all funding allocated by the CARES Act; 14,803 business in AR received a total of \$2.1 Billion**
- STATE/ NATIONAL PARKS: **State parks - day visits only; Buffalo River Nat'l Park - closed**
- PUBLIC /SOCIAL GATHERINGS: **Advised: 10 or less with appropriate social distancing**
- RESTAURANTS AND BARS: **Carry-out or delivery only**
- CURFEWS: **City-wide curfews, Little Rock and Pine Bluff: 9PM-5AM**
- PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE): **\$75m dedicated to PPE; The state has a need for assistance with international transport of PPE.**