



ARKANSAS COVID-19 UPDATE April 25, 2020

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- STATE OF EMERGENCY: **YES** (since 3/11/2020)
- AR Major Disaster Declaration: **Fed Approval**
- AR COUNTIES (75) WITH CONFIRMED CASES: **72**

CONFIRMED CASES

- **HOSPITALIZED: 104 WITH VENTILATOR: 23**
- **HEALTHCARE WORKERS: 285 Deaths: 1**
- **CORRECTIONAL FACILITY CONFIRMED CASES**
 - Number of Locations: **3**
 - Federal Facility, Forrest City: **79 inmates, 11 staff**
 - State Facilities
 - Little Rock: **62 inmates, 27 staff**
 - Pine Bluff: **826 inmates, 33 staff**
200 staff awaiting test results
- **NURSING HOME CONFIRMED CASES**
 - Number of Locations: **37 Deaths: 12**
 - Nursing Home Residents: **194**
 - Nursing Home Workers: **109**

OTHER INFORMATION:

- **SCHOOLS CLOSURE: through end of school year**
- **UNEMP BENEFITS: Over 170,000 claims have been filed and processed, AEDC has approved 246 bridge loans for AR small businesses totaling \$5M resulting in saving over 3500 jobs. Governor Hutchinson approved an additional \$1M to cover remaining qualifying applications. Pandemic Unemployment Assistance program (for independent contractors) should be running by the end of this month.**
- **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.**

Active COVID-19 Cases in AR: 1813

Total Confirmed 4/24: **2741**

New since 4/24: **+89***

*** 47 of new cases at Cummins Prison**

Total Confirmed Positive to Date: 2830

Total Deaths 4/24: **46**

New since 4/24: **+3**

Total Deaths to Date: 49

No Traditional High School Graduation Events

Education Secretary, Johnny Key asked that all high schools in the state forego any plans for a traditional high school graduation ceremony until after July 1. As the date grows closer, that timeline could be extended. Plans for a nontraditional event, such as an online ceremony, should be coordinated through the AR Department of Education.