

**Apr. 10, 2020**

## **City of Gary COVID-19 Update**

Greetings. This is Mayor Jerome Prince with the City of Gary COVID-19 update for Apr. 10, 2020.

My administration and our police department leaders have had numerous conversations with faith leaders regarding this Easter Sunday's services. Overall, we've been pleased with the cooperation we've received from faith leaders throughout Gary.

I continue to encourage people to practice good social distancing practices.

- Do not congregate in groups of more than 10 people, including in private homes
- Do not greet each other with skin-to-skin contact
- Maintain a distance of at least six feet away from others

These are difficult demands to make on others, but, I'm convinced we can keep more of our loved ones around for many more Easter Sundays if we are smart with our behaviors this weekend.

### **Update**

Indiana residents tested for COVID-19:	35,040
Indiana residents tested positive:	6,907
Indiana COVID-19 related deaths:	300

Lake County residents tested positive for COVID-19:	578
Lake County COVID-19 related deaths:	23

Gary residents tested positive for COVID-19:	127
GARY COVID-19 related deaths:	5

### **Information**

For business and industry questions related to COVID-19, contact the Indiana Critical Industries Hotline at 877-820-0890 or email questions to [covidresponse@iedc.IN.gov](mailto:covidresponse@iedc.IN.gov).

For medical and health questions related to COVID-19, contact the Indiana State Department of Health Hotline at 877-826-0011 or visit [coronavirus.IN.gov](http://coronavirus.IN.gov).

## **Closing**

We continue to closely monitor the infection rate and treatments for COVID-19, but, the situation continues to change very rapidly.

I continue to pledge to provide information my team has determined to be accurate and to do so in a timely manner.

As you know, I spoke openly about being tested for the COVID-19 virus earlier this week. I believe good leadership requires me to open and transparent with this information at a critical time for our city, our state and our country.

Moving forward, and in anticipation of my test results, I want us all to discuss not only how to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 virus, but, we should discuss next steps for anyone who is diagnosed with the virus. Beginning next week, my team and I will add more information on what to do if you or someone you know has been infected. I look forward to having this dialog with all of you.

Please be calm and patient. Use good social distancing practices when checking on your neighbors, especially our oldest residents. We will get through this together.