Yavapai County

Our Mission: "Yavapai County will serve and protect its citizens through efficient management of all its resources to enhance the lives of those we serve."

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Today Marks the One-Year Anniversary of the COVID-19 Pandemic

March 11, 2020 was the day the World Health Organization declared the coronavirus outbreak a worldwide pandemic. Dr. Anthony Fauci, Chief Medical Advisor, reflected on the past year in an interview on the *Today* show this morning. He expressed cautious optimism about what lies ahead for the rest of 2021. While the virus is "still very much circulating," Dr. Fauci said there is indeed "light at the end of the tunnel as the vaccine rollout continues, but we've got to keep putting our foot to the pedal when it comes to public health measures." He also urged the public to "at a minimum" keep wearing masks, adding that it's indeed "risky" for state leaders to insist on prematurely reopening.

On March 12th, Governor Ducey made an official Declaration of Emergency, and as of that day there were 9 cases confirmed in AZ. On March 19th, 2020 the first case of COVID-19 was confirmed in Yavapai County, when there were 45 cases in all of AZ and the Yavapai County Board of Supervisors declared a Proclamation of Countywide Emergency.

Yavapai County reports 17 new COVID-19 Cases and 2 Deaths. The county has tested **104,240** residents for COVID-19 with **17,671** positive cases, **7,606** recovered, and **476** deaths. Through cross-referencing of cases for duplicates and classification of the late-reported cases by a local medical facility, there is a net -5 cases today. Yavapai County has vaccinated close to 87,000 residents – 53,000 receiving the first dose and 35K fully vaccinated – utilizing 98% of the vaccine allocation. YCCHS estimates we are close to 50% of Phase 1b. Yavapai Regional Medical Center is caring for **13** COVID-19 patients, 9 on the West campus, and 4 on the East campus. Verde Valley Medical Center and the VA each report **1** COVID patient.

Vaccine Information: Check the YCCHS Vaccine Information page for any updates on availability at the Spectrum and YRMC Points of Dispensing (PODs), as well as pharmacies listed on the Pharmacy Information page: **https://www.yavapai.us/chs/Home/COVID-19/Vaccine**.

There are 2nd dose appointments available through the YRMC POD, call 442-5103. Both YRMC and Spectrum believe they will be able to offer first dose appointments by March 18th. The Spectrum POD in Prescott Valley is closed today and tomorrow. The Yavapai County Emergency Phone Bank is available to assist people without internet or computer in making appointments.

COVID-19 Cases by County							
Apache	10,689	**Coconino**	16,828	**Cochise**	11,390	**Graham**	5,326	**Greenlee**	561
Gila	6,435	**La Paz**	2,422	**Maricopa**	519,285	**Mohave**	21,502	**Navajo**	15,512
Pima	110,931	**Pinal**	47,261	**Santa Cruz**	7,666	**Yavapai**	17,671	**Yuma**	36,588
New Cases Since Yesterday							
Apache	+27	**Coconino**	+33	**Cochise**	+31	**Graham**	+4	**Greenlee**	+0
Gila	+11	**La Paz**	+1	**Maricopa**	+1,559	**Mohave**	+18	**Navajo**	-190
Pima	+141	**Pinal**	+168	**Santa Cruz**	+2	**Yavapai**	+17	**Yuma**	+7

★ **For COVID-19 Vaccine Info and Appointment Availability:**
  https://www.yavapai.us/chs/Home/COVID-19/Vaccine
★ **Yavapai County Emergency Phone Bank 928-442-5103 available Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**
★ **County COVID-19 Data, Testing Sites, Guidelines & Resources: www.yavapai.us/chs**
★ **COVID-19 Information en Español: https://www.azdhs.gov/preparedness/epidemiology-disease-control/infectious-disease-epidemiology/es/COVID-19-19/**