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Upshur County Confirms Cases Have Risen to 144 Active Cases

77 Local Residents Have Now Recovered

As of July 23, 2020, Upshur County has received information from the Department of State Health Services confirming that more Upshur County residents have tested positive for COVID-19. This brings the number of cases to 144 as of today.

Local officials continue to receive very limited information about whether the current positive cases are self-quarantining or if they have been admitted to a hospital. Officials have also received information that 77 residents are now listed as recovered from the virus. WE are very encouraged by our recovery rates.

Upshur County continues to see a rise in the number of cases. Even though the number is not growing as fast as other locations we strongly encourage our citizens to do everything they can do for themselves, and others, to slow the spread of the virus. PLEASE continue to follow the CDC guidelines for handwashing and safety. We encourage our citizens to practice social distancing. If you don't have to go to places where others are congregated, or have been congregating, we continue to encourage you to avoid these situations. Unfortunately, if cases continue to rise at an increased rate government officials will have to make some decisions on what the next steps will be to combat this virus.

Sincerely,

Marc Nichols

Upshur County Emergency Management Coordinator