



## CITY OF UNALASKA

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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Coronavirus COVID-19**

#### **LOCAL RISK FACTOR: Medium**

Pursuant to the City's Guidelines for Social Distancing, our risk factor has been raised to "medium" because of the three cases confirmed within the state. There are still no confirmed cases in Unalaska. The city has already implemented the social distancing measures of the medium risk factor because of school closures and other governmental mandates. This includes the cancellation of city-sponsored gatherings and city employee travel; expansion of the Emergency Operations Center; encouraging limitation of large gatherings; and supporting protective measures for residents of the senior center. Community and industry are encouraged to cancel non-essential travel and continue to practice good hand-washing, cleaning, disinfecting and recommended social distancing measures.

**CITY OF UNALASKA COVID-19 CASE COUNT:** The local clinic has tested two patients for coronavirus (total). The first test was NEGATIVE and the result of the second test is pending. No confirmed cases on the island as of today.

**STATE OF ALASKA COVID-19 CASE COUNT:** The two new confirmed cases in the state are located in Fairbanks and both individuals had traveled in the Lower 48.

New Confirmed Cases in State of Alaska as of 3/16/2020	2
Total Confirmed Cases in State of Alaska since 01/01/2020	3
Negative samples tested at State Labs	295
Negative samples tested at commercial/academic labs	39
Cumulative samples since 01/01/2020	334

#### **CITY FACILITY CLOSURES:**

Unalaska City Schools  
Community Center (PCR)

Unalaska Public Library  
Dept. of Motor Vehicles (DMV) - new

Aquatic Center

The DMV office is a high traffic area. To help stop the spread of coronavirus, the Unalaska DMV office will be closed until further notice. Many vehicle registrations, state ID cards and driver license renewals can be done online at [www.alaska.gov/dmv](http://www.alaska.gov/dmv).

#### **Resources for information:**

- CDC - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – [www.coronavirus.gov](http://www.coronavirus.gov)
- State of Alaska Dept. of Health and Social Services – [coronavirus.alaska.gov](http://coronavirus.alaska.gov)
- Dial 211 - the State of Alaska information line for non-clinical questions
- City of Unalaska – [www.ci.unalaska.ak.us/citymanager/page/coronavirus-covid-19](http://www.ci.unalaska.ak.us/citymanager/page/coronavirus-covid-19)
- Call the City of Unalaska public safety recorded message line for daily updates: 581-6080

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