



# SITUATION REPORT #20

Prepared July 23, 2020

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<b>POLK COUNTY</b> EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER	<b>STATE OF FLORIDA REGION IV</b> FEMA REGION IV	<b>WEBEOC INCIDENT NAME:</b> 2020 COVID-19
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## GENERAL INFORMATION

**EOC Activation Level: Level 2 – Partial Activation**

<b>Local State of Emergency:</b>	Yes
<b>Executive Order by Governor:</b>	<p>Executive Order 20-51, Declaration of Public Health Emergency for the State of Florida</p> <p>Executive Order 20-52, Declaration of State of Emergency</p> <p>Executive Order 20-112, Phase 1: Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step. Plan for Florida's Recovery.</p> <p>Executive Order 20-139, Phase 2: Responsible Individual Activity, Requirements for Certain Individuals Traveling to Florida, and Business Activity</p> <p>Executive Order 20-166, Extends State of Emergency</p>

## MEDIA INFORMATION

<b>Florida Department of Health</b> Primary Phone Number: 863-519-7911 (Available Mon-Sun, 8 am to 5 pm)	<b>Florida Department of Health Call Center</b> Phone: 866-779-6121 (Available 24/7) Email: COVID-19@flhealth.gov
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## COMMUNITY LIFELINE STATUS



## CURRENT STATUS

**Polk County Statistics**  
(as of 11 am on 7/23/2020)  
(Source: Florida Dept. of Health – Polk County)

**Positive Cases of COVID-19: 10,545**  
**Fatalities: 203**

### CASE DATA FOR POLK

**Total Cases: 10,545**  
Residents: 10,505  
Residents Not in Florida: 0  
Non-Residents: 40

**Conditions and Care**  
Deaths: 203  
Hospitalizations\*  
Residents: 823  
Non-Residents: 6

### Demographics of Cases

**Age:**  
Age Range: 0 to 103  
Median Age: 39

**Gender:**  
Male: 4,870 (46%)  
Female: 5,491 (52%)  
Unknown/No data: 144 (<1%)

**Florida SEOC Situation Report COVID-19**

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**State EOC Level: 1**

Florida's 5 STEPS to Prevent COVID-19:  
 Social Distancing  
 Test, Test, Test  
 Elderly & Vulnerable Protection  
 Prepare Hospitals  
 Stop Introduction

Cases in Florida		
	Current	Change
Total Cases in Florida	379,619	+9,785
Florida Resident Cases	374,920	+9,676
Florida Fatalities	5,345	+139
Total Cases Hospitalized	22,243	+463

**New Resident Cases per Day**

**Test Results to Date**

**Lab Test Results per Day**

Date	Total Tests	Positive (%)	Negative (%)	Number of Positive	Number of Negative
7/8	46,983	20.7%	79.3%	9,725	37,258
7/9	80,783	18.2%	81.8%	14,702	66,081
7/10	73,712	18.2%	81.8%	13,416	60,296
7/11	123,489	13.0%	87.0%	16,054	107,435
7/12	87,782	12.8%	87.2%	11,238	76,544
7/13	54,847	10.8%	89.2%	5,923	48,924
7/14	67,070	10.8%	89.2%	7,243	59,827
7/15	88,378	14.3%	85.7%	12,638	75,740
7/16	88,033	14.3%	85.7%	12,589	75,444
7/17	78,451	14.2%	85.8%	11,140	67,311
7/18	88,728	14.2%	85.8%	12,600	76,128
7/19	64,858	13.5%	86.5%	8,756	56,102
7/20	63,788	13.5%	86.5%	8,611	55,177
7/21	88,381	13.5%	86.5%	11,932	76,449

**Critical Info Messages**

- 0019 COVID-19 Situation Reports
- 0433 Executive Orders
- 2096 FEMA Guidance on Mask Approvals
- 3379 Co-Response Guidance Version 2.0
- 3518 Daily Weather Updates
- 3519 NCS Survey and Map Information
- 3637 FEMA NCS Policy: 104-009-18
- 3685 List of FL Mask Ordinances
- 3795 Public Messaging Toolkit
- 4078 SEOC Out-of-Office Contacts List



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The World Health Organization (WHO) has classified the outbreak as a *Pandemic and Worldwide Outbreak*.

Please visit Florida Department of Health website for recommended actions and guidelines

<http://www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/COVID-19/need-to-know/index.html>

## FEDERAL ACTIONS

President Donald Trump approves Major Disaster Declaration for Florida.

FEMA has authorized the Stafford Act Public Assistance Program's Emergency Protective Measures (Category B) for eligible applicants.

Small Business Administration (SBA) disaster loan assistance available.

## STATE ACTIONS

The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) is fully activated (Level 1) to support the Florida Department of Health's response.

Executive Order 20-139, the Governor's Phase 2: Responsible Individual Activity, Requirements for Certain Individuals Traveling to Florida, and Business Activity.

Executive Order 20-166 extends the State of Emergency (Executive Order 20-52) for 60 days.

## COUNTY ACTIONS

**Polk County Board of County Commissioners:** Declared a State of Local Emergency on March 16, 2020. State of Local Emergency extended for seven days on **July 20, 2020**. The Adult Day Healthcare Centers in Haines City and Lakeland and the Community Centers will remain closed until further notice. The County received \$126 million from the CARES Act grant. A call center to assist residents with questions regarding Polk County's CARES Act financial assistance opened at the Emergency Operations Center Tuesday, May 19. Call center staff will be available 8 am – 6 pm, Monday through Friday. **The application period for individual/household assistance closed on July 10. 29,525 applications were received, with 14,179 checks processed for \$28,358,000. The application period for small business assistance closed on July 17. 3,661 applications were approved with \$12,463,000 allocated.**

Developing plan for COVID-19 testing with BayCare, Lakeland Regional Health, Advent Health, and Central Florida Health Care. Ongoing county-wide distribution of one million face masks.



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**Polk County Emergency Management (EM):** Coordinating with Department of Health in Polk County and community partners and monitoring the situation as it develops. Participating in ongoing regional and state information-sharing calls. Emergency Management has submitted 535 mission requests to the State for personal protective equipment and sanitizing supplies for first responder agencies and health care facilities. Planning for hurricane season is underway. The Emergency Operations Center is hosting the Polk County's CARES Act call center. Continuing to allocate PPE to long-term care facilities as it is received from Florida Division of Emergency Management. Working with FDEM to provide PPE to Supervisor of Elections. Worked with County divisions, municipalities, business community, and community partners to supply face masks for distribution to the public.

**Polk County Communications:** Sharing Department of Health messaging on social media and County website. Implemented daily informational graphics and produced COVID-19 special on PGTV. **The link to testing site information is <https://www.polk-county.net/covid-19/covid-19-testing-sites>**

**Polk County Parks and Natural Resources:** Activated a County Staging Area (CSA) warehouse at the request of the State EOC on March 20 to support countywide personal protective equipment (PPE) receiving and distribution to healthcare facilities and first responders. Summer camps and recreational programs have been cancelled. Large quantity of face masks received for county-wide distribution. Continuing to receive PPE for hurricane season.

**Central Florida Development Council:** Offers comprehensive business recovery resources at [www.cfdc.org/covid](http://www.cfdc.org/covid) and bi-weekly Zoom calls are held for Polk business resources partners and community stakeholders. The CFDC is working in partnership with County staff to help support the Polk CARES Small Business Relief Grant Program.

**United Way:** Through partner agencies, **3,157** requests for assistance have been received with **\$4,273,955** distributed.

**Florida Department of Health in Polk County:** Ongoing efforts to maintain surveillance and coordination throughout the county. Internal incident management team meetings daily. The FDOH-Polk call center (863-519-7911) is open seven days a week, 8 am to 5 pm. Ongoing communication to community partners and health and medical facilities. Public service announcements are being provided along with CDC and FLHEALTH links. **Working with long-term care facilities on outbreak prevention and mitigation measures.**



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### **Auburndale**

Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 6:00 pm  
Florida Department of Health, 1805 Hobbs Road

### **Bartow Locations**

Monday, Wednesdays, Fridays, 7:00 am – 10:00 am  
Bartow Regional Medical Center, 2200 Osprey Blvd.

### **Haines City**

July 31, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm  
Haines City Adult Day Care Center, 751 Scenic Highway

### **Lakeland Locations**

Monday – Saturday, 6:30 am – 2:00 pm  
Lakeland Regional Health, Parking Garage

July 29, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm  
New Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 1321 N. Webster Avenue

### **Mulberry Locations**

Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm  
Publix at Imperial Lakes Plaza, 2040 Shepherd Road

### **Winter Haven Locations**

Monday – Friday, 7:00 am – 10 am  
Gil Jones Center, 3425 Lake Alfred Road



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## HEALTH AND MEDICAL

A weekly conference call is conducted with Florida Department of Health in Polk County (DOH), Emergency Operations Center, Lakeland Regional Hospital, AdventHealth, and Baycare.

DOH reported the COVID-positive skilled nursing facility at Oakbridge is almost full. 44 long-term care facilities in Polk County have COVID-positive patients.

BayCare reported changes in CDC/AHCA guidance no longer require two negative tests before the hospital discharges patients. This is helping to decompress the hospital census. Long-term care facilities are requiring this statement in the patient's chart, stating guidelines are met. Winter Haven hospital has 106 COVID-positive patients, 30 in ICU, and most on ventilators. Bartow Regional has 19 COVID-positive patients with four in ICU.

BayCare opened a new testing site at Gill Jones Center in partnership with Polk County. The mobile ICU at Winter Haven hospital is not operational yet. They are working with FDEM on staff, supplies, and connection to water and power.

Lakeland Regional Medical Center has 144 COVID-positive patients with 26 on ventilators. They have moved their testing site to the parking garage to protect from weather.

AdventHealth reported 26 COVID-positive patients with 14 in ICU. The census numbers have stabilized, unlike the increasing numbers seen in the past few weeks. They are experiencing families of five and six coming in together and all testing positive.

Hospital data as of July 22:

COVID+ Hospitalized	COVID in ICU	COVID Non-ICU	COVID on Vent
302	57	245	48

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