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Press Release

Gallatin County COVID-19 Update

As of Saturday, April 18, 2020, at 12 p.m. Gallatin County has a cumulative total of 142 cases. There have been a total of 136 recovered in Gallatin County. There have been 1,722 people tested in Gallatin County.

This data and more can be found on the Gallatin City-County Health Department's new dashboard on our website at this link: <https://www.healthygallatin.org/coronavirus-covid-19/>.

This dashboard will be updated by 12 p.m. each day.

Information on statewide cases continue to be found here:

<https://montana.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=7c34f3412536439491adcc2103421d4b>

While these updates have been published in the late afternoons, we will reevaluate the timing of these releases moving forward.

All Gallatin County cases consist of community transmission, close contact, and travel related history.

Outdoor enthusiasts are encouraged to enjoy our local parks and trail systems responsibly during the COVID-19 outbreak. Please consider the following guidelines and comply with the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\) social distancing guidelines](#).

- **If you are sick, stay home.** Follow [CDC guidelines](#) and avoid spreading the virus to others.
- **Keep a social distance from others.** There are many local city, state, and Forest Service trails in Gallatin County that offer a variety of outdoor activities. Try to enjoy your outdoor activities alone or with people that live in your home, such as walking, hiking, biking and fishing. These activities can be enjoyed while keeping you at a distance from others. CDC recommends six feet of distance from others.

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prepared and ready to respond, but could become overloaded if the number of calls increases and the number of available responders decreases. Being responsible outdoors can also help prevent additional burdens on our first responders and healthcare workers.

- **Stay regional.** If possible, avoid traveling to other areas or our small communities to help reduce the risk of potential spread.
- **Avoid times and places of high use.** To avoid creating large crowds and groups at popular trails or outdoor areas, spread out to less popular spots, and avoid times of highest use if possible. If an outdoor area is more crowded than anticipated adjust your plans.
- **Practice good hand hygiene.** Wash your hands, use hand sanitizer and cover coughs with your elbow.
- **Be kind, say hi.** Do your part to be kind, say hi or wave hello, respect your fellow humans when you are out on the trail in these challenging times. Share smiles!

We are all in this together, and we can get through this together - if we work together.

The Gallatin City-County Health Department Call Center is open seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. to answer questions about COVID-19. Reach the Call Center by phone at 406-548-0123 or email at callcenter@readygallatin.com.

The most accurate local source of information remains the GCCHD website <https://www.healthygallatin.org/coronavirus-covid-19/>.

