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Gallatin County COVID-19 Update

As of Tuesday, Aug. 18, 2020, at 12 p.m. Gallatin County has two new confirmed cases of COVID-19, for a cumulative total of 1,013. There are 33 confirmed active cases and no current hospitalizations. There have been a total of 977 people recovered in Gallatin County. Three people have died from COVID-19 complications.

One case that was previously recorded in another area was reassigned to Gallatin County and added to a previous day's total.

More data can be found on Gallatin City-County Health Department's dashboard on our website [here](#). This dashboard will be updated by 12 p.m. daily. Information on statewide cases continue to be found [here](#).

Please note that local data may differ from data about Gallatin County provided by the state as the Gallatin City-County Health Department may be alerted to additional cases before the state.

A recovered case means that a person who tested positive for COVID-19 has been released from isolation. It's important to note that even when people are released from isolation, many continue to feel the effects of COVID-19 infection long after they are released from isolation.

The Gallatin City-County Health Department calculates the recovered case number as the number of total cases minus any active cases, current hospitalizations and deaths.

Wildfire smoke causes irritation and inflammation of the respiratory system and may increase susceptibility to infection, including COVID-19. Symptoms for wildfire smoke exposure and COVID-19 are similar, but if you experience fever, chills, muscle or body aches, COVID-19 is the more likely culprit. Use the CDC's self-checker here:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>

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](#).

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