



Calhoun County Joint Information Center

Wednesday, September 16, 2020



Administrative Notes

- Please mute your phone
- This is a listening-only meeting, besides the pre-arranged speakers
- Please send any questions through Zoom chat function
- Enter your name on Zoom, so we know who is asking questions
- Please let PIOs know if you have questions.



Unified Command Team

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CALHOUN COUNTY, MICHIGAN JOINT OPERATIONS CENTER

COVID-19 Unified Response





Joint Operations Center: Lines of Effort and Priorities

Save Lives

Mitigate Suffering

Protect the Vulnerable

- Develop community-wide approach
- Create a virtual Joint Operations Center
- Respond to impacts and effect of the Shelter in Place Order
- Anticipate and prepare for COVID increase and surge capability
- Develop plan to reset and stabilize



Purpose of Joint Information Center (JIC)

To provide current and relevant information regarding actions, activities and resources in the JOC in a combined format for community and elected leadership, as well as the media

To listen to and determine the needs of all jurisdictions in Calhoun County



Agenda

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Pessell

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Comments from Representatives-
Open to Elected Officials or their
representatives



Current Situation

As of 11 a.m., Wednesday, Sept. 16:

There are **1046** positive cases of COVID-19 in Calhoun County

There are **43** deaths reported

There are **129** cumulative hospitalizations

This information is updated once **daily Monday-Friday** by the Public Health Department at calhouncountymi.gov.



Current Situation

As of 11 a.m., Wednesday, Sept. 16:

There are **6** persons currently hospitalized in Calhoun County

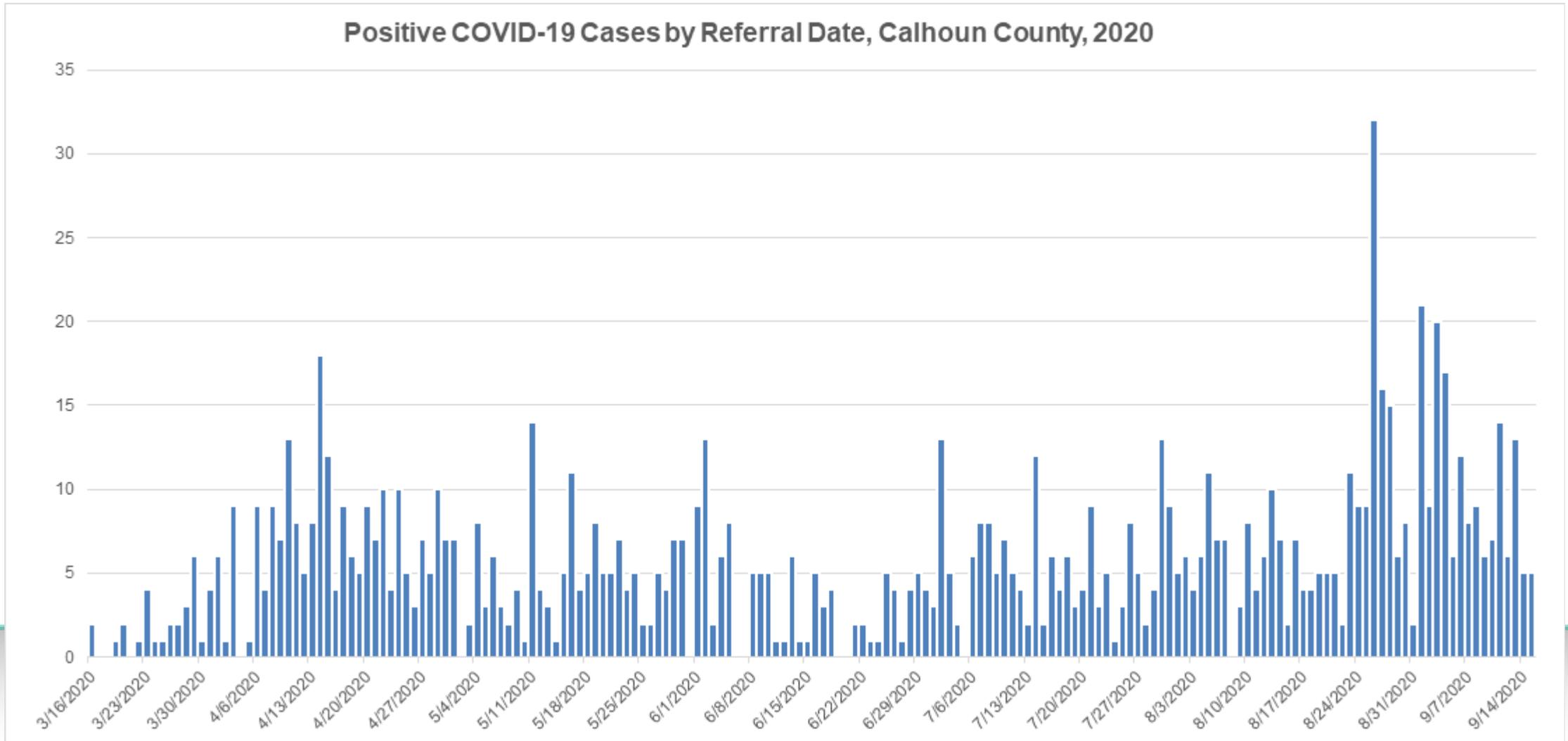
862 persons have been released from isolation orders

938 persons have been released from quarantine orders



Calhoun Confirmed Cases

updated 9/15/20



General Guidelines Recommended, Still

It's important to continue following CDC recommendations

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- If soap and water are not available, use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth
- Avoid close contact, maintain social distancing
- Cover your mouth and nose with a mask
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces

When I wear a mask,
I protect you.

When you wear a mask,
you protect me.



#MaskUp, Callhoun County.



Schools Reporting via MDHHS

- Michigan Department of Health & Human Services now reporting outbreak information by school building
- Posted 3 p.m. Mondays - K-12 and college/university
- Schools are working with health departments, assisting Public Health Dept with contact tracing.

Michigan.gov/coronavirus - scroll to map - click See Cumulative Data - **School-Related Outbreak Reporting**



Courts Update

- Clerks offices are fully operational, and the public can make an appointment to conduct business. The Justice Complex is open by appointment only, and a mask and health screening are required for entry. Visit **calhouncountymi.gov/safestart** for contact information to set up an appointment.
- Judges, Magistrates, and Referees are working in virtual courtrooms using Zoom and broadcast live via YouTube. Most hearings are held virtually in this way, but in some instances the judge may require or permit in-person appearances.
- Planning is underway to resume jury trials starting the week of October 12, with an emphasis on maximizing health and safety protocols for jurors and other courtroom participants



EEE In Surrounding Counties

- Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE)
- As of Sept. 13, 22 horses across 10 counties have EEE
- Not in Calhoun, at this time
- One presumptive human case in Barry

*For information, visit
Michigan.gov/eee*

Tonight, aerial spraying will take place in those 10 counties, which include Barry and Jackson

Summit Pointe Update

- September is **Suicide Prevention Month**
- Summit Pointe awareness & community chalking
- Share messages of hope & 24-hour crisis phone number:
800-632-5449
- Post on social media with #ZeroSuicide #SPCCC



Fearless Foods
Scoop Station;
Calhoun County 911;
Burma Center



Local Businesses Update

- Countywide Workforce
- Challenges and Barriers to Business Success
 - Legislation Opportunities to help business owners and protect them from lawsuits
 - Future of Business / Lack of Foot Traffic
 - Reduced Occupancy and Still Closed Business
 - School Reopen Plans
- Things to come
 - Impacts from the opening of fitness gyms, pools, bowling alleys, etc.
 - Guide to PPP Forgiveness



Under the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) created by the CARES Act, loans may be forgiven if borrowers use the proceeds to maintain their payrolls and pay other specified expenses.

Congress recently changed the rules regarding loan forgiveness. The Treasury Department and Small Business Administration are responsible for updating the application form and instructions for



Comments from Elected Officials

Senator Bizon

Representative Haadsma

Representative Hall

County Elected Officials

Tribal Elected Officials

City Elected Officials

Township Elected Officials

Village Elected Officials



Best Information Sources

Calhoun County Government and Public Health Department

calhouncountymi.gov

- Visit county site to sign up for all JOC press releases

City of Battle Creek, COVID-19 page

battlecreekmi.gov/coronavirus

State of Michigan, COVID-19 page

michigan.gov/coronavirus

Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)

cdc.gov/coronavirus



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