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**COVID-19 Status Report
Oak Park Village Board of Trustees**

To: Village President and Village Board of Trustees

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As means to share a brief summary of information regarding Village of Oak Park operational activities in response to COVID-19. In most cases, formal public guidance or employee guidance has been publicly disseminated via the Village website or Village social media channels.

New Public Health Guidance

Today, the Village of Oak Park Department of Public Health received notification of the following new COVID-19 cases:

4 Oak Park residents

The above newly reported Oak Park cases range in age from the 20s to 80s.

Excluding individuals for which street addresses are not yet determined, the State of Illinois reports a total of one-hundred four (104) total Oak Park COVID-19 cases. It is important to note that as patient tracking and case follow-up occurs, individuals listed within the number of Oak Park cases reported may change depending on residency confirmation.

Also, Oak Park Public Health Director Mike Charley today reported the death of a third Oak Park resident believed to be related the COVID-19 coronavirus. The individual was a woman in her 90s. The official cause of death will be determined by the Cook County Medical Examiner. The Village organization expresses its condolences to the man's friends and family.

The Oak Park Department of Public Health is notified of positive tests as established by state and local public health protocol. Because of privacy laws, no additional information can be released about the individuals. It is noted, that privacy precludes location information regarding individuals tested to anyone other than Public Health Officials and First Responders.

The Oak Park Department of Public Health is working closely with officials from the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), investigating and notifying anyone who may have had exposure to the individual who tested positive for COVID-19. Local public health officials, hospitals and first responders are following protocols consistent with the latest guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Senior Housing Status

Oak Park Public Health Director Mike Charley reported that there three additional positive tests by residents of Brookdale Oak Park, 1111 Ontario Street which were a part of reported cases from the weekend. This brings the total cases to five at Brookdale, a retirement and assisted living facility which was issued a Public Health Order April 7 to take specific steps that comply with Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance for protection of the health of facility's residents and its employees following the first positive test from a resident of the facility. Public Health staff continued to work closely with the organization's management and IDPH regarding guidance.

Social Services Update

The YMCA still has spaces available in its emergency childcare program for essential workers. They expect to continue the program through at least the end of the school year.

Thrive is part of the Governor Pritzker's mental health initiative "Call4Calm," which was launched Saturday by the state's Human Services Mental Health Division. Illinois residents wanting to speak to a mental health care professional can text the word "TALK" to 552020, and the service is free to use.