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Employees at City Hall and BPD Receive Positive COVID-19 Results

Bloomington, Ind. - Two City of Bloomington employees have reported receiving positive results of COVID-19 viral tests over the past 24 hours. Neither case has been traced to a previously reported case among the City's workforce. Details of each case are as follows:

- An employee of a department located at City Hall received a positive result yesterday (Tuesday, December 29) of a COVID-19 viral test administered earlier in the day. The employee started experiencing symptoms on Monday, December 28 and isolated. Cleaning protocols at the employee's workspace and shared areas have been completed. No close contacts have been identified among co-workers or the general public. (Close contact is defined by [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) (CDC) as someone who was within six feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes starting from two days before illness onset--or, for asymptomatic clients, two days prior to positive specimen collection--until the time the patient is isolated.)
- A Bloomington Police Department employee today (Wednesday, December 30) received a positive result of a COVID-19 viral test administered earlier in the day. The employee, who is asymptomatic, is isolating. Cleaning protocols at the employee's workspace, shared areas, and vehicles have been initiated.

No close contacts have been identified among co-workers or the general public.

Today's announcement brings to 54 the total number of positive COVID-19 viral test results that have been reported since the start of the pandemic by City workers, including those employed by the municipal corporations that operate the water utility (City of Bloomington Utilities) and transit system (Bloomington Transit). An additional City employee reported a positive COVID-19 antibody test result.

The City of Bloomington is committed to sharing information about how its operations and workforce are affected by this public health emergency, and will continue to provide updates about confirmed cases among staff while protecting employees' privacy.