



# Office of the Sheriff

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"ONE TEAM"



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## MONROE COUNTY JAIL CORONAVIRUS TESTING FOR 100% OF INMATES COMPLETE

*Results Anticipated; Round Two of Testing Underway*

**Rochester, NY (December 18, 2020)** – The results of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office proactive Coronavirus testing of 100% of incarcerated individuals inside the Monroe County Jail is complete. The results were anticipated, with 254 inmates testing positive for COVID-19 to date. Of those inmates who tested positive, 14 are symptomatic and no individuals are currently hospitalized due to the virus. As of Monday, following the Centers for Disease Control recommended guideline of 14 days, we anticipate at least 50 individuals will be considered recovered from COVID-19. As an added precaution, the recovered individuals will not be moved into the general population until 21 days has elapsed from a positive test. These results are indicative of this virus; it does not differentiate and knows no boundaries.

As part of our proactive measures to obtain the most accurate and conclusive snapshot of our jail, MCSO and its medical provider, Prime Care Medical, are in the process of retesting inmates who previously tested negative. We will also share those results with the public when conclusive. Together, with Prime Care Medical, we are modeling what other facilities have done to successfully mitigate spread in our facility.

*"This bold move to test our entire inmate population gives us a clear picture of the current situation inside our jail in an effort to eventually eradicate the virus inside the facility," said Monroe County Sheriff Todd K. Baxter. "It remains our priority to provide safety and security of the deputies, staff and inmates, to include their physical and mental well-being. Thank you to our hardworking and dedicated deputies and staff who are going above and beyond to implement this aggressive plan and ensure its success."*

MCSO is testing all inmates twice as they in-process into the jail.

We continue to update the Monroe County Jail COVID-19 dashboard which can be located on our website: <https://www.monroecounty.gov/sheriff-jail-covid19>

## MCJ Inmate COVID-19 Dashboard



**254**  
COVID Positive Inmates

**14**  
Symptomatic

0 Hospitalizations

More Info

- Tested 100% of inmate population. Testing complete. All test results are back from the initial round of testing
- We are in the process of retesting inmates who previously tested negative. Round 2 of testing underway as of 12/17/2020
- Working with Prime Care to model what other facilities have done to mitigate spread in the facility



**2**  
Recovered

**50**  
Anticipate at least 50 more recovered by Monday per CDC 14-day Guidelines

Proactive Work

- MCSO continuously working with Monroe County Department of Public Health
- MCSO continuously sanitizes the facility 24/7
- PPE/Masking Policy/Social Distancing in effect
- Proactive screening of deputies prior to entering jail facilities



**Outstanding Tests 0**

Inmate Tests Conducted Since 11/26- 1198

Jail Inmate Population- 729



For information on a loved one call 585- 753-4021



Two free phone calls, one free 30 minute video conference are offered per week to each inmate



MCSO takes the health and safety of all inmates and staff seriously and continues to work diligently to keep everyone healthy

AS OF 12-18-20 AT 4:00 PM

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