



COVID-19 Employee and Offender Status Update.

AUSTIN, TX (April 16, 2020) – The Board of Pardons and Paroles (BPP) continues to monitor and take necessary precautions to prevent and mitigate the spread of the coronavirus.

The Board has distributed cotton masks manufactured by TDCJ to all its staff. Those masks will be required for all personnel working at prison units and optional for those in administrative settings and parole officers in the field. The Board is taking appropriate action to mitigate the potential exposure to others including following the Centers for Disease Control guidelines for management of COVID-19 in all BPP offices/facilities.

BPP has previously reported two employees in the Huntsville Institutional Parole Office have tested positive for COVID-19; at this time, these are the only staff who are confirmed with the virus. They are both doing well in their recovery. Everyone is urged to continue to maintain strong workplace disinfecting and personal hygiene practices inside the workplace and out. As the Board learns of new positive tests, additional information will be posted on this website.

The Board of Pardons and Paroles, established by the Texas Constitution, decides which eligible offenders to release on parole, the conditions for parole and whether to revoke parole if conditions are not met, as well as recommendation of resolution of clemency matters to the Governor. For more information, please visit: <http://www.tdcj.state.tx.us/bpp/index.htm>

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