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COVID-19 Cases Decrease Significantly at Detention Center Central

(CHARLOTTE, NC)- The number of residents at Mecklenburg County Detention Center-Central (MCDCC) with active cases of COVID-19 has decreased significantly since the initial outbreak. There are currently 29 residents in custody with COVID-19, one resident has been hospitalized and an additional 293 residents are housed in either Respiratory Isolation or Respiratory Quarantine due to potential exposures. There have been no COVID-19 related deaths at MCDCC.

Our Medical Director is in close contact with the local health department to coordinate our first resident receiving the COVID-19 vaccine. Aggressive testing continues inside the jail and retesting is completed every 5 days. Increased cleaning and sanitation efforts are ongoing, hand sanitizer dispensers and disinfectant spray/wipes are placed throughout our detention centers and office buildings. Face coverings have been issued to all MCSO employees and some of the detention population that are in a COVID-19 protocol. We are constantly reinforcing the CDC recommended guidelines to our staff and practicing social distancing.

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