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Clark County Organizations Collaborate to Provide Services to Those in Need

ARKADELPHIA, Ark. (April 15, 2020) – Clark County leadership recently met regarding COVID-19. This collaboration brought several services from educational institutions, government officials, and healthcare providers to light.

Clark County has begun to receive personal protective equipment (PPE) for our first responders. We are encouraged that if we all maintain our behavior modifications; we will continue to minimize the consequences and have enough equipment to see it through. On April 1st Clark County hosted a drive through testing clinic at Ouachita Baptist University. Of the 51 people tested only one tested positive and 5 additional were quarantined by their doctors for showing signs although the results were negative. Additional testing is being done at various clinics in the community including free screening at Caddo Valley Baptist Health Clinic, where patients can receive drive through testing.

Baptist Health has also launched their Home Delivered Meals Program to provide convenience to those in need. For further information about delivery options, pricing, and payment assistance please call (870)245-1205.

Both Gurdon Public School District and Arkadelphia Public School District have continued to feed students, by pick up or delivery on bus routes. Buses will run Monday and Thursday mornings. There is also a pick up option at the elementary/primary campuses. Please check your school district website for specific detail.

The Arkansas Dept of Human Services through ARChoices in Homecare program is another source of assistance for those in need. It provides home delivered meals, adult health services and more for those with disabilities or senior citizens over 65 who meet certain eligibility requirements. Please call 1(866)801.3435 to see if you qualify.

Social distancing has been working as we remain well below the original projected cases of infections for Arkansas and Clark County. While this has been difficult, continuing social distancing, wearing masks, and continually washing/sanitizing your hands, we ask that everyone remain vigilant, and keep up the good work.

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