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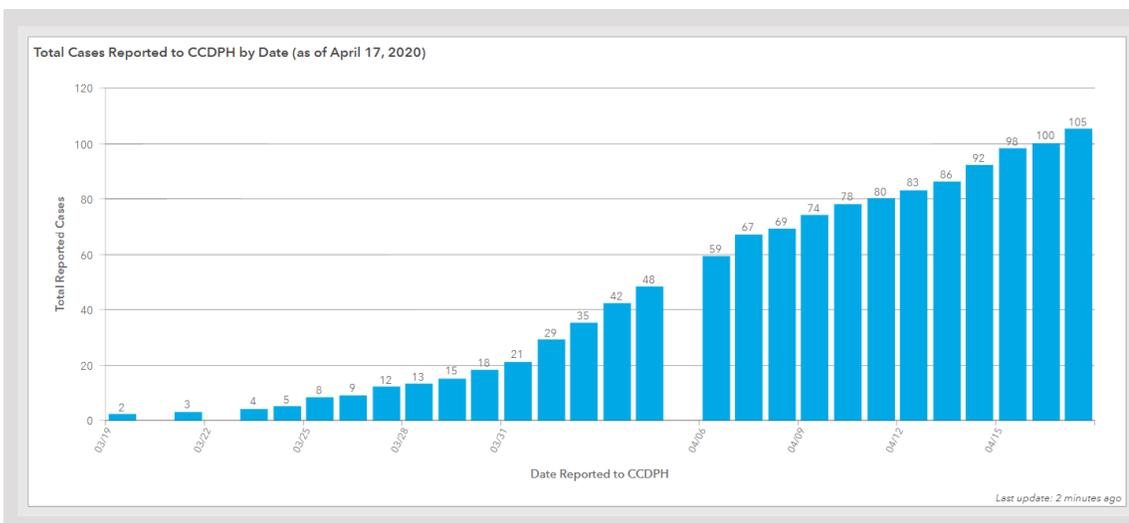
COVID-19 Update

Cumberland Has 105 Positive Cases Going into Weekend

FAYETTEVILLE – Department of Public Health officials have been notified today of seven new COVID-19 positive cases in Cumberland County. Since Monday, April 13, the case count has grown by 19 and the number of deaths has increased from one to six.

“This week our community has been saddened by the loss of five of our fellow residents to this virus, and we are still seeing additional positive cases each day. We can’t stress strongly enough the importance of following the stay-at-home order and only venturing out for essential needs like work or to buy food or medicine. If you do go out, we recommend you wear a facemask if social distancing isn’t possible,” Health Director Dr. Jennifer Green said.

The County’s COVID-19 Dashboard now includes a daily cumulative chart of cases. The dashboard is posted on the County’s website at co.cumberland.nc.us/COVID19 and on the [Cumberland County Coronavirus Response page](#).



Commissioners Meet Monday at 9 a.m.

The Board of Commissioners will meet Monday, April 20, at 9 a.m. This is a change from the regular evening meeting time of 6:45 p.m. The meeting agenda is posted on the County’s website at co.cumberland.nc.us.

In order to comply with the N. C. Governor's Executive Order 121, Section 3.A.1., this meeting will be available to the public and media live via the Cumberland County website (co.cumberland.nc.us), Facebook page (facebook.com/CumberlandNC), Youtube page (youtube.com/user/CumberlandCountyNC/videos), and on Fayetteville Cumberland Education Channel (FCE-TV) Spectrum Cable Channel 5. Four commissioners will participate through the GoToMeeting platform.

County Will Receive \$509,194 from CARES Act CDBG Funding

Cumberland County will receive supplemental Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding made possible through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES Act) in the amount of \$509,194.

“This additional funding will allow us to make a greater impact by expanding access to public and human services and assisting businesses through job creation and retention for low to moderate income persons. Funding is available in the form of grants and loans to eligible applicants,” said Dee Taylor, Community Development Director. If you are interested in applying for the funds, contact Taylor at dtaylor@co.cumberland.nc.us. Read more about the funding [here](#).

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