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## **COVID-19 UPDATE**

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# State COVID-19 Testing Extended at Various Locations

**EL PASO**, **Texas**—The Texas Military Department Mobile Testing Team (TMD-MTT) will be transitioning their testing sites to a new contractor, Honu, allowing testing to continue through July 31 at five testing sites and various rural sites within the El Paso City-County.

The transition to Honu will allow the testing sites to double their specimen capacity from 250 to 500 tests per site, per day. With the exception of the hybrid site, which allows for walk-up and drive thru, the testing locations are all drive-thru. The transition will **begin Wednesday**, **July 15** and **no appointments will be required** to get tested. While no appointments are needed, the public is encouraged to arrive early as tests are assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis. Once the daily capacity of 500 is met at each location, the site will be closed for the day to additional testing.

All of the testing sites will administer nasal tests, instead of oral swabs. Testing is free and available to members of the community with or without COVID-19 symptoms.

The **Hybrid Drive/Walk-up Site** is available from **8 a.m. to 2 p.m.** for patients on foot or in a vehicle during the following dates and location:

#### July 14-18, July 20-25, and July 27-31:

Nations Tobin Recreation Center; 8831 Railroad Dr., El Paso, TX

State testing within the City of El Paso is available from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the following dates and locations:

#### **July 14:**

- Marty Robbins Recreation Center; 11620 Vista Del Sol, El Paso, TX
- Memorial Swimming Pool; 3251 Copper Ave., El Paso, TX
- Haskins Recreation Center; 7400 High Ridge, El Paso, TX

### July 15-31:

- Pavo Real Senior Center; 9301 Alameda, El Paso, TX
- Marty Robbins Recreation Center; 11620 Vista Del Sol, El Paso, TX
- Memorial Swimming Pool; 3251 Copper Ave., El Paso, TX
- Haskins Recreation Center; 7400 High Ridge, El Paso, TX

The Pavo Real Senior Center testing site will NOT be open on July 14, 21 and 28 to allow for the distribution of food to seniors.

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**State Testing in the rural county areas** is available from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the following dates and locations:

Wednesday, July 22:

Ysleta del Sur Pueblo; 11200 Santos Sanchez St., Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo, TX

Wednesday, July 29:

Ysleta del Sur Pueblo; 11200 Santos Sanchez St., Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo, TX

• Thursday, July 30:

Horizon First Baptist Church; 17018 Darrington Road, Horizon City, TX

• Friday, July 31:

El Paso County ESD #2 District Office, 16001 Socorro Rd., Fabens, TX

For more information about alternative testing locations click here or visit www.EPStrong.org.

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