This morning, March 17, 2020, my office was notified of its 1st COVID19 positive test of a resident of Washington Parish who is at a hospital in St Tammany Parish. After receiving that notification, I held a conference call with elected officials and stakeholders in Washington Parish. As stated in my memo that was issued on March 16, 2020, I urge all citizens of Washington Parish to do their part to minimize the spread of any virus. We must all take action and be vigilant. Wash your hands often for at least 20 seconds, cover your cough, stay away from sick people and more importantly stay home if you are sick. It is extra important for everyone to take actions to reduce the risk of getting sick, by practicing social distancing and unnecessary travel. Information on this virus, its impacts to not only our parish but the state is changing hourly. We ask that you continue to watch local media, check in on the elderly and those individuals you know have underlying health conditions, preferable by phone, as they are the ones that are most susceptible to the virus.

The following offices in Washington Parish are opened but not to the general public. If you have business that needs be conducted please call them.

- Washington Parish Clerk of Court – 985-839-4663
- Washington Parish Registrar of Voters – 985-839-7850
- Washington Parish Assessors Office – 985-839-7815
- Washington Parish District Attorney - 985-839-6711
- City of Bogalusa - 985-732-6600
- Town of Franklinton – 985-839-3569
- Washington Parish Permit Office -985-839-5456
- Washington Parish Library -985-839-5456

Further Information and guidance can be found on the following sites:

http://ldh.la.gov/
https://www.cdc.gov/
http://www.washingtonparishalerts.org/
https://www.bogalusa.org/
https://www.facebook.com/bogalusa.louisiana/
https://www.facebook.com/WPOHSEP/

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