



# SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

**TO:** ALL LIBERTY FAMILIES  
**FROM:** JENNIFER SAUNDERS, CEO  
**DATE:** 11/17/2020  
**SUBJECT:** COVID -19

I regret to inform you that we have had a person we support test positive for COVID-19 at our Burch Street home. The individual developed symptoms over the weekend and was test for the virus. Similar to our Old Trail case it is not known at this time how the individual contracted the virus.

All staff that had substantial direct contact with the COVID positive person have been contacted and will be receiving a COVID test, they will be restricted to only working at Burch Street for the duration of the quarantine period and have been advised they should continue to monitor for symptoms daily. The individuals that reside at Burch Street will also be tested for COVID and will remain quarantined to their home. Currently, the remaining staff and individuals we support at both our Old Trail and Burch Street homes remain symptom free.

Unfortunately this is the second confirmed infection, with no known exposure, at one of our residential sites within a short period of time. Additionally, there has been a sharp increase in the number of positive cases within Montgomery County this week. As a precautionary measure we are immediately halting all family visits including home visits as well as visitation at our Liberty homes. Our community outings will be restricted to only low risk level activities. We anticipate remaining in this status through next Wednesday the 25th. This will allow us to monitor the infection rate in Montgomery County as well as within Liberty. We continue to plan to allow for family visits on Thanksgiving with those families that have arranged for a family home visit provided there is not a continued increased in the infection rate within Montgomery County and Liberty ARC. We recognize how important family visits are to both you and your loved ones and we want to ensure that we can provide a safe option for these visits to occur.

This is a fluid situation and we will continue to share updates with you as they occur.

Jennifer Saunders, CEO

