



# CITY OF UNALASKA

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## NEWS RELEASE

**Friday, December 18, 2020, 2:15pm, News Release no. 172**

### **Coronavirus COVID-19**

#### **LOCAL RISK FACTOR: HIGH**

**UNALASKA COVID-19 CASE COUNT:** Two new cases are reported today - both Industry Related. Contact tracing is complete, and all close contacts of those persons testing positive have been notified.

COVID-19 Tests Performed Locally -----4,215  
 Cumulative Positive Persons Tested Locally -----173  
 Current Active Cases (see breakdown) ----- 13  
     Industry Related ----- 9  
     Travel Related ----- 2  
     Community Acquired ----- 1 (*Last community spread case identified on 12/15/2020*)  
     Household Members----- 1

**STATE OF ALASKA CASE COUNT:** Reporting 879 new cases and 2 new deaths statewide since the News Release on December 16<sup>th</sup>.

STATEWIDE STATISTICS	Resident	Non-Resident	Total
Cumulative Cases	41,905	1,447	43,352
Cumulative Hospitalizations	910	18	928
Deaths Statewide	182	1	183
State's Case Count for Unalaska	25	136	161*

#### **ALASKA DHSS – BRING BACK THE LIGHT**

**2020:** This Sunday, December 20, at 5 p.m., Alaska DHSS is encouraging each and every Alaskan, in a moment of statewide celebration, solidarity and reflection, to step outside with others in their household and light a candle or turn on lights, flashlights, headlamps or a lantern (please maintain physical distancing from non-household members). During this pandemic, Alaskans have shown considerable strength to adapt and take care of themselves and each other. On the eve of Winter Solstice, Alaskans will take a moment and come together to show support and gratitude for one another and their communities, take pride in their resiliency and look forward to brighter days ahead. Each light from every Alaskan will represent brighter days to come, literally and figuratively. It's intended to celebrate Alaskans' resiliency, as well as remember Alaskans lost to COVID-19. Organizations, neighbors and businesses throughout the state have been encouraged to help bring back the light in preparation for brighter days ahead.

