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| February 3rd, 2022  **Two Additional Deaths**  **71 New Covid-19 Cases Since Tuesday**  The La Paz County Health Department is deeply saddened to announce two additional deaths. La Paz County has had a total of 117 deaths, due to Covid-19.  One individual was in the Quartzsite service district, over the age of 65 years old, hospitalized outside of the county and with underlying health conditions.  One individual was in the McMullen Valley service district, within the age group of 55-64 years old and with underlying health conditions.  Our love, thoughts and prayers go out to all the family and friends.  In addition, our county has 71 new Covid-19 cases. This brings our county total to 4,865 cases. 18 individuals are in the Parker service district and within the age groups of under 20, 20-44, 45-54, 55-64 and over 65 years old. Nine individuals are in the Buckskin service district and within the age groups of 20-44, 45-54, 55-64 and over 65 years old. Four individuals are in the Quartzsite service district and within the age groups of 45-54 and over 65 years old. Two individuals are in the Bouse service district and within the age groups of 20-44 and over 65 years old. One individual is in the Ehrenberg service district and within the age group of 20-44 years old. Five individuals are in the McMullen Valley service district and within the age groups of under 20, 20-44, 55-64 and over 65 years old. 23 individuals are within the Colorado River Indian Tribes service district. The remaining nine individuals are in an unknown service district and within the age groups of under 20, 20-44, 45-54 and 55-64 years old.  It is extremely important to continue to take the necessary precautions, to help slow down the spread.  For now, fully vaccinated people should continue to get tested if experiencing Covid-19 symptoms.  If you are not vaccinated, please protect yourself and others by wearing a mask and practicing physical distancing.  Everyone should wash their hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds and if soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.  Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands, avoid close contact with people who are sick, cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue and clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.  If you are at[higher risk](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-at-higher-risk.html)for severe illness, you should avoid attending congregate settings. People at higher risk for [severe illness](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/groups-at-higher-risk.html) include adults 65 or older and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions  **For more information on La Paz County and the state, please visit the ADHS coronavirus website at** [**www.azdhs.gov/coronavirus**](http://www.azdhs.gov/coronavirus), **the CDC website at** [**www.cdc.gov/COVID19**](http://www.cdc.gov/COVID19) **, the La Paz County Health Department website at** [**https://www.lpchd.com/**](https://www.lpchd.com/) **and the Facebook page @LaPazCounty.HealthDepartment.** |