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Press Release

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At press time, there is a total of 237 cases of COVID-19 in the Lincoln Trail District. Additional cases were confirmed today in Hardin, Marion, and Nelson Counties. The total number of cases per county is as follows: Hardin--116, LaRue--12, Marion--35, Meade--23, Nelson--45, and Washington--6. Currently, 223 cases are on home isolation or have been released from monitoring. County-level information can be found on the “COVID-19 Latest Updates” tab at ldhd.org.

To say that this year has been one for the history books is putting it mildly. Over the past four months, a virus known as COVID-19 required the nation to take a colossal timeout. COVID-19 forced us to drastically change our routines, because failing to do so would have resulted in the loss of countless lives. In addition, through the lens of COVID-19 we have been reminded of our strengths and weaknesses as part of a national community.

Research indicates that addressing social determinants of health—conditions in which people live, learn, and work—is critical in improving health and reducing disparities within population groups. One example that COVID-19 spotlighted was the ongoing preventable difference in the impact of disease and access to healthcare among people of color. To truly address these types of inequalities, it will require a combination of effective social policy and the engagement of communities to tackle deeply rooted systems that have been established over decades. It will be a challenge, but a necessary step we must take together to drive change moving forward.