The Hawai‘i Department of Public Safety (PSD) has been notified that 12 more Hawai‘i inmates at the Saguaro Correctional Center (Saguaro) in Eloy, Arizona tested positive for COVID-19. The total number of confirmed positive COVID cases is 43. Out of the 43 total positive cases to date, four (4) inmates have recovered. There are 15 inmates with pending test results also in medical isolation and 761 inmates in a precautionary 14-day quarantine. Saguaro nursing staff are doing daily temperature checks and monitoring the inmates for symptoms.

PSD’s Health Care Division is working with DOH, the Hawai‘i National Guard (HING) and community partners, to conduct mass testing for COVID-19 at all correctional facilities statewide. The second batch of test results for 72 Maui Community Correctional Center (MCCC) inmates and 21 Kauai Community Correctional Center (KCCC) inmates all came back negative. Repeat testing of Kulani Correctional Facility (KCF) staff resulted in 58 negative.

The DOH testing of Oahu Community Correctional Center (OCCC) inmates is continuous. Of the 121 new inmate test results received today, five (5) were positive and 116 were negative. The two (2) staff results received were both negative. Additionally, 97% of inmates and 86% of staff who tested positive for COVID-19 have recovered. Information on PSD’s planning and response to COVID-19 can be found at: http://dps.hawaii.gov/blog/2020/03/17/coronavirus-covid-19-information-and-resources/. 