

NARA Notice 2021-190: Closure and Regression of Six Facilities

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To: All Employees.

Attention supervisors: If you have employees who do not have access to a computer, please ensure that those employees receive a copy of this notice. This includes employees on LWOP or paid leave.

NARA has closed the Harry S. Truman Library in Independence, MO; the National Archives at Kansas City, MO; and the Federal Records Center (FRC) at Lee's Summit, MO, due to deteriorating local public health conditions. The Truman museum is now closed to the public. All three facilities are located in Jackson County, MO. Jackson County, MO, has realized 405 new cases per 100,000 population and 10.95 percent positivity over the past 14 days. These conditions exceed our targets for safe opening. These closures are effective immediately and will continue until local public health conditions improve.

The National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) building in St. Louis, MO, the Lenexa, KS, FRC, and the Fort Worth, TX Archives and FRC have regressed to Phase One staffing levels, due to deteriorating local public health conditions. The NPRC and Lenexa FRC are located in counties that exceed our regression standard for new cases but remain under 10 percent positivity. At the Fort Worth Archives and FRC, new cases are under 200 but positivity rates now exceed 10 percent. New case and positivity data for each NARA facility will be posted later today to the ICN COVID-19 Coronavirus Resources page here. We have regressed all three facilities, effective immediately and until local public health conditions improve.

Please continue to take care of yourselves and each other. If you need support or assistance coping with the stress of the pandemic, please take advantage of the Employee Assistance Program (EAP). EAP services are free, confidential, and available to all NARA employees, supervisors, and family members. EAP counselors are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, by telephone 24/7 at 1-800-222-0364 (TTY 1-888-262-7848) or online at www.FOH4YOU.com. EAP information can also be found at the NARA@work EAP page.

As of today, 36 of NARA's facilities are in some stage of reopening. One facility is in Phase Three, 30 facilities are in Phase Two, five facilities are in Phase One, and four facilities are closed. We will continue to monitor local public health metrics at all NARA facilities and will reopen or close additional facilities when local conditions require a change in NARA's operating status.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

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