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### Thank you Klickitat County!

The Klickitat County Commissioners, the Mayors of Bingen, Goldendale, and White Salmon along with the Public Health and Emergency Management Department EOC staff, offer our most sincere gratitude to the people of Klickitat County that have been doing the right things. Your continued efforts are keeping our community safe and healthy! **Thank you!** The steps we have taken collectively and as individuals over the last several weeks are making a difference! The statistics support that.

Each and every one of you has made a difference in the COVID-19 response and those efforts are directly correlated with our county reporting very low numbers of positive COVID-19 cases. Statistically we are ahead of the curve! We all have endured many inconveniences and hardships while learning to navigate this pandemic. We are a united community and have come together to support our medical providers, emergency responders, essential workers and our neighbors. Many local businesses and individuals donated personal protective equipment to the Emergency Operations Center so we could keep emergency responders and medical providers serving their communities safely. Our local essential businesses are making changes to better assist and keep you healthy by offering curbside pickup and delivery options. You have organized volunteer groups to assist those in need by making face masks, assisting with food boxes and food bank orders to go. Many of you have lent a helping hand to a neighbor or contributed with simple mutual respect. The little things matter; kindness matters! We want you to know that we see you and we **Thank You.**

We are making progress and we should remind each other of that daily. Things will improve, we will get back to our new normal lives soon and be able to enjoy our beautiful county. Right now, we are doing the right thing. We are united in this challenge in our county because of our response efforts! We should all continue to respect each other's circumstances.

The Public Health Department together with the Department of Emergency Management, our Healthcare Providers, City and County employees and emergency response agencies have all done an outstanding job of implementing an effective plan very rapidly countywide. We are fortunate to have a connected community that cares deeply for the health and safety of all people in Klickitat County. Let's stay united, as a community and continue to uphold one another. Unique situations require unique solutions. Klickitat County and it's people are unique and continue to find solutions to get through this.

Stay Home and Stay Healthy ~ We Got This Klickitat County

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