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LCSO Takes Precautionary Measures after Vendor Tests Positive for COVID-19

On Sunday, April 5th, the Leon County Detention Facility (LCDF) was notified that a local vendor who serviced the facility on March 23rd, March 26th and March 27th has since tested positive for COVID-19. No LCDF staff or inmates are exhibiting symptoms of the virus, however, out of an abundance of caution, the Leon County Sheriff's Office is taking protective measures.

Two employees who had contact with the vendor are self-isolating at home, with no symptoms. Three inmates in the LCSO Work Camp program, who had contact with the vendor, have been administered COVID-19 tests, with results pending. Additional inmates, who shared a pod with the three inmates being tested, are undergoing temperature screenings, while being isolated from other inmates in the facility. No inmates are exhibiting symptoms of the virus at this time.

LCSO has learned that the vendor traveled to the state of New York two days prior to his visit to the LCDF last month. Test results for the three inmates who had contact with the vendor are expected within the next 48 hours. LCSO is working in conjunction with the Florida Department of Health and will continue to monitor this situation and take all necessary precautions.

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