



## Media Information:

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### **22<sup>nd</sup> COVID-19 Related Death in Yellowstone County**

**Billings, MT** – With deep sorrow, RiverStone Health, Yellowstone County’s public health department, has reported the 22<sup>nd</sup> death of a Yellowstone County resident from complications due to COVID-19, the disease caused by the novel coronavirus.

On Saturday, July 25, a woman in her 90s passed away in a Billings hospital. To protect the privacy of the deceased woman and her family, RiverStone Health will release no further information.

This most recent death in Yellowstone County is reflected on today’s state COVID-19 tracking map.

“We offer our heartfelt condolences to the deceased’s family and loved ones,” said John Felton, Yellowstone County health officer and RiverStone Health president and CEO.

Felton went on to say, “Since Saturday, July 18, seven Yellowstone County residents have passed away due to COVID-19 related illness, making last week the deadliest yet. As case counts continue to rise in Yellowstone County and across the state, each of us must continue to be vigilant in taking measures to prevent COVID-19 – wear a mask, watch your distance, wash your hands and stay home when you are sick.”

To date, 893 Yellowstone County residents have been infected with COVID-19 and 22 have died.

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