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## Yellowstone County Reports COVID-19 Related Deaths

**Billings, MT** – RiverStone Health, Yellowstone County's public health department, reports three more Yellowstone County residents have died due to COVID-19 related illness.

On Wednesday, November 18, two women in their 60s passed away in Yellowstone County hospitals.

On Thursday, November 19, a woman in her 80s passed away in a Yellowstone County hospital.

To protect the privacy of the deceased and their families, RiverStone Health will not release further information.

These three deaths are reflected on the Friday, November 20 state COVID-19 tracking map.

"Our hearts go out the families and friends of these three Yellowstone County residents," said John Felton, Yellowstone County Health Officer, President and CEO of RiverStone Health. "Especially as we enter the holiday season, the loss of loved ones is so difficult."

"To honor the memory of those lost to COVID-19, let us redouble our efforts to prevent more illness and death by wearing masks, physical distancing, avoiding crowds, washing hands, and staying home when ill," said Felton.

To date, 9,798 Yellowstone County residents have been infected with COVID-19 and 112 have died.

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