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County Executive issues stay-at-home order and announces fifth confirmed positive case of COVID-19 in Erie County

Erie, PA – County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper today announced the fifth positive case of COVID-19 in Erie County. This individual is in their 30s and had recently traveled outside of Erie County.

Contact tracing is being conducted by Erie County Department of Health.

The County Executive reiterated that if contact had been made with any of the individuals who have been identified as a positive case, that individual would have been notified.

In an effort to keep ahead of the spread of COVID-19 in Erie County, a stay-at-home order has been made by Governor Wolf and supported by the County Executive. This order will go into effect at 12:01 a.m. Wednesday, March 25, and will continue until April 6, 2020.

[Stay-at-home guidance](#) specific to Erie County is available at eriecountypa.gov.

“Given the rapid increase in case numbers in surrounding counties, and conversations I’ve had with the County Executives in Allegheny County, Pa., Erie County, N.Y., and Cuyahoga County, Ohio, as well as a county commissioner in Montgomery County, I believe this order is the best thing we can do for our county as a whole right now,” Dahlkemper said. “If you are looking for ways to help in Erie County and you are healthy, willing and able, there are several options for you: Donate blood, donate to your local food bank, or volunteer.”

Erie County Department of Human Services in partnership with ServErie and United Way Erie’s 211 Helpline is asking prospective volunteers to email Ashley Westgate at ashley@serverie.com.

For any questions or concerns about enforcement, suspicious activity with business operations, or symptoms, the public should contact Erie County Department of Health at **814-451-6700**.

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