Central Alabama Weekly COVID-19 Impact Report
May 4, 2020

This weekly snapshot is intended to provide data regarding conditions in Central Alabama and inform the social service and philanthropic sectors as they work to meet community needs.

Summary
In December 2019, a new (or novel) human coronavirus type emerged in China. On March 13, 2020, Alabama reported its first case and Governor Kay Ivey issued a state of emergency.

Public Health Response
On March 20, 2020 the Jefferson County Health Officer closed all nonessential businesses including all schools and the majority of childcare centers in the county. Onsite consumption of food and beverages at restaurants and similar establishments were eliminated. On March 27, 2020 ALSDE announced that all schools in Alabama were closed for the remainder of the school year and on April 3, 2020 Governor Kay Ivey and State Health Officer Scott Harris issued a statewide stay at home order effective through April 30, 2020.

As of May 4, 2020, Alabama reported 7,888 confirmed cases, 101,286 residents have been tested, and 290 individuals have died.

Central Alabama reported 1,511 confirmed cases, 23,730 residents have been tested, and 61 individuals have died.

Unemployment Insurance Claims
In Central Alabama, 91,286 individuals have filed an unemployment claim since mid-March. This chart shows claims for the last 4-week period.
Basic needs assistance continues to be a top request week over week in Central Alabama counties.

**Top 211 Call Request Categories and % of Overall County Requests**

**Week of April 19-25, 2020**

Source: 211 Counts Alabama https://al.211counts.org/

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**Week of April 26-May 2, 2020**

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*“Other” includes help with general information and referral, complaints, government, community enrichment, volunteering, donations and support, advocacy & special population services.*

### 211 Requests

211 has received 4,225 resource and referral requests between March 22-May 2.