

County of Santa Cruz

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ADDITIONAL COVID-19 DEATH

Santa Cruz County, Calif. –Santa Cruz County Public Health regrets to announce an additional death related to COVID-19.

The individual was a male in his mid 30s with underlying health conditions who passed away September 14th. He was not vaccinated against COVID-19. The County offers its condolences to family of this individual.

This is the fourth death since the arrival of the Delta variant, and each individual was unvaccinated. These deaths are preventable. Vaccines prevent serious illness and death, and eligible unvaccinated residents are encouraged to get a COVID-19 vaccine as soon as possible. Visit <u>www.santacruzhealth.org/coronavirusvaccine</u> or <u>www.santacruzhealth.org/coronavirusvaccuna</u> for information on obtaining a free vaccine.

The death was the 212th in Santa Cruz County attributable to COVID-19.

For local information on COVID-19, go to <u>www.santacruzhealth.org/coronavirus</u> or call (831) 454-4242 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.