



PRESS RELEASE

June 17, 2020

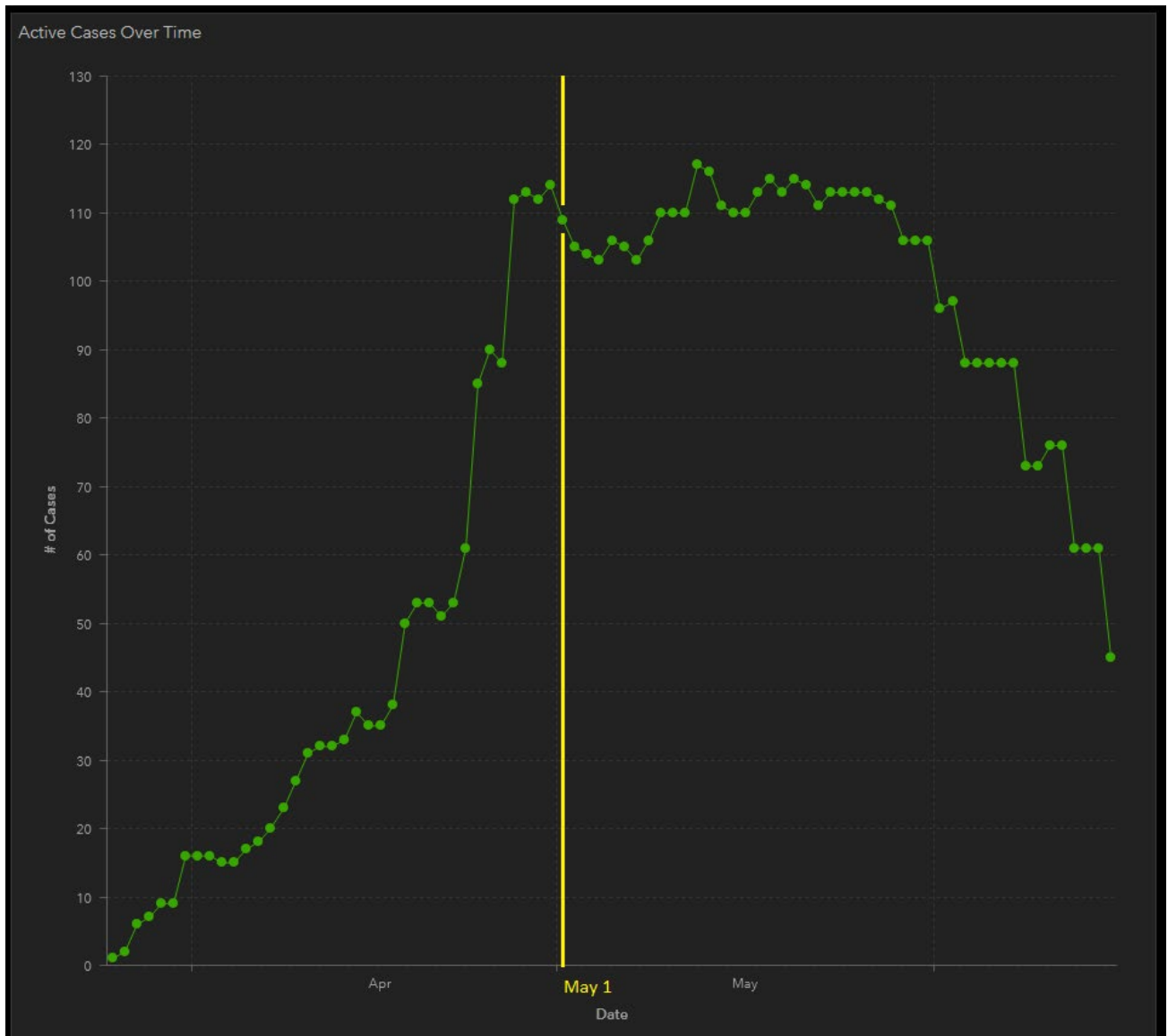
Washington County COVID-19 Cases Decrease Since May 1, 2020

Although cases of COVID-19 hospitalizations increased Statewide after reopening efforts began, Washington County hospitalizations and active cases have dramatically decreased.

Washington County hit a peak of 117 active COVID-19 cases on May 12, 2020 and started trending downward not long after Governor Abbott initiated the initial phase of the reopening strategy (represented by the yellow line in the graph below). Since May 12, 2020 we have noted the following trends and statistics:

- New cases each day have decreased
- Daily recoveries increased
- Together these represent (at least for Washington County) a drastic improvement Since May 1, 2020 even with the reopening of businesses.
- 45 active cases as of today is the lowest case count since mid-April for the County.

Washington County Judge, John Durrenberger said, "Thanks to your diligence in helping slow the spread of this virus our active case count is down. As we emerge from this pandemic lets continue to remain vigilant by following CDC recommendations such as good hygiene and social distancing."



Graph showing active cases in Washington County. Yellow line represents the beginning of Governor Abbot's reopening efforts.

Word Count: 191

Attachments: active cases over time.png

###