

COVID-19 Update

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8 p.m.

SCDC announced the death today of an offender from Ridgeland Correctional Institution, who was positive for COVID-19.

Addie Thilavanh, 59, who had underlying medical conditions, died at a local hospital today. He tested positive for the coronavirus on Dec. 24 and was hospitalized Dec. 26.

As of today, 62 offenders and 20 staff members at Ridgeland have tested positive for COVID-19. Of those, 51 offender cases and 11 staff cases are active. SCDC, with 15,705 offenders, has had 2,849 offenders test positive for the coronavirus systemwide. Of those, 2,398 have recovered and 416 are active cases. There are 150 active staff cases. This is the department's 36th inmate death associated with the virus.

SCDC is working closely with the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control to ensure proper guidelines and protocols are being followed to safely manage our staff and offenders.

Further updates about the agency's response to the COVID-19 pandemic can be found on our website, www.doc.sc.gov.