

LaSalle Corrections, the company managing the Bowie County jail, said Tuesday that two jail employees have tested positive for COVID-19 and are quarantining at home.

LaSalle Public Information Officer Steve Giddings said no inmates are currently infected at the Bi-State Justice Building jail or at the annex jail located directly behind the Bi-State. The Texas Commission on Jail Standards is not reporting any infections among staff or inmates in Bowie County as of Monday.

The Texas Department of Criminal Justice is reporting one inmate infection at the Barry Telford Unit in New Boston, Texas, as of Monday.

The agency's website reports 11 employees at Telford are currently infected with 50 employees having recovered.

TDCJ reports that two inmates are in medical restriction and three inmates are in medical isolation. The Telford Unit is not locked down as are other Texas prison units with higher rates of infection. Since the beginning of the pandemic, TDCJ had reported higher numbers of inmate infections at Telford and the agency was previously locked down.