



## Texas Division of Emergency Management State Situation Report

### New Information Is In Blue Text

Event Name	20-0003 COVID-19 2020
Date	April 30, 2020
Time	0900
Operational Period	April 29 to April 30, 2020
Report Number	42

Regions Affected	
Regions Affected	1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6
DDCs Active	ALL DDCs are activated

### Current Situation:

#### Texas People Tested

Total	314,790
Public Labs	11,772
Private Labs	303,018

\*Number does not include the total tested by all private labs.

#### Texas COVID-19 Cases (1)

Total Statewide Cases	27,054
Texas Counties	207
Deaths	732

On April 27, Governor Abbott announced the first phase of the State of Texas' ongoing plan to safely and strategically open Texas while minimizing the spread of COVID-19. Under Phase I, certain services and activities are allowed to open with limited occupancy, and the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) is issuing minimum standard health protocols for all businesses and individuals to follow. The Governor also outlined special guidance for Texans over 65 and detailed a comprehensive mitigation plan for nursing homes in Texas. The Governor also announced a statewide testing and tracing program developed by DSHS that will help public health officials quickly identify and test Texans who contract COVID-19 and mitigate further spread of the virus.

The Governor's announcement is accompanied by *Texans Helping Texans: The Governor's Report to Open Texas*. This detailed report, available on the strike force website, helps Texans understand phase one by outlining the new protocols, guidance, and recommendations. The

report also includes a series of Open Texas Checklists that outline DSHS' minimum standard health protocols for all Texans.

By way of Executive Order (GA-18), all retail stores, restaurants, movie theaters, and malls are permitted to reopen on Friday, May 1. These services must limit their capacity to 25% of their listed occupancy. Within shopping malls, the food-court dining areas, play areas, and interactive displays and settings must remain closed.

All museums and libraries may open under the same 25% occupancy limitation, but interactive areas of museums must remain closed. State libraries and museums will open by May 1, and local public museums and libraries may reopen only if permitted by the local government. Single-person offices may reopen as well.

Churches and places of worship remain open. Outdoor sports are allowed to resume so long as no more than four participants are playing together at one time. Certain social distancing practices must also be followed. Local government operations, including county and municipal government operations relating to permitting, recordation, and document-filing services, may reopen as determined by the local government.

DSHS has recommended minimum standard health protocols for all individuals, all employers and employees, as well as industry-specific protocols for retailers, retail customers, restaurants, restaurant patrons, movie theaters, movie theater customers, museums and libraries, museum and library visitors, outdoor sports participants, single-person offices, and low COVID-19 counties. These protocols are outlined in the Open Texas Checklists within the Governor's report beginning on page 20.

Essential services such as farmers and ranchers, grocery and drug stores, banks, and gas stations will continue to operate. Public swimming pools, bars, gyms, cosmetology salons, massage establishments, interactive amusement venues, such as bowling alleys and video arcades, and tattoo and piercing studios will remain closed through Phase I. Nursing homes, state supported living centers, assisted living facilities, and long-term care facilities must remain closed to visitors unless to provide critical assistance.

The Governor also established increased occupancy protocols for certain counties with five or fewer laboratory confirmed cases of COVID-19. Those counties may, on an individualized basis, increase occupancy limits to up to 50% for restaurants, retail, shopping malls, museums and libraries, and movie theaters if they meet certain criteria. The county judge must certify and affirm to DSHS that the following standards have been investigated and confirmed to be met:

1. The county had five or fewer COVID-19 laboratory confirmed cases on April 30, 2020 or, at a later date, five or fewer active COVID-19 cases as verified by DSHS.
2. The county has created a list of testing opportunities in the county or the area.
3. The county has been in contact with its designated regional advisory council to ensure the community is prepared for any needed health care transfers.
4. The county has provided public notice to the residents of the county, including: Signs and symptoms of COVID-19; Recommended health and safety protocols in line with CDC guidance; Information regarding how residents can get tested in the area; A link to the DSHS website where residents can go to learn about community spread in nearby

communities, in order to help county residents understand their risk to exposure if they travel regularly outside of the county.

5. The county has contacted each of the following types of facilities located in the county to ensure they are complying with Texas Health and Human Services (HHSC) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines regarding COVID-19: Nursing homes; assisted living facilities; Industrial, agricultural, or business facilities with a significant number of employees; and City or county jails.
6. The county is equipped and prepared to protect vulnerable populations, including nursing homes and assisted living facilities.
7. The county has documented procedures to be activated if a resident becomes COVID-19 positive, including procedures to take appropriate measures as necessary in line with the plan to open Texas.
8. The county has contacted DSHS in order to create a plan to ensure contact tracing will occur within 48 hours of a positive test reported to DSHS.

Phase I will begin Friday May 1 and continue until at least May 18. The Governor will continue to evaluate next steps for the state.

*The Governor's Report to Open Texas* also outlines a long-term comprehensive mitigation plan for nursing homes in Texas. Eight recommendations have been developed by HHSC to help mitigate the further spread of COVID-19 and decrease the risk of infection in these facilities. A summary of the recommendations is below, and full recommendations are in the Governor's report beginning on page 9:

1. Quantify the extent of infection immediately
2. Establish a comprehensive mitigation plan
3. Re-evaluate current COVID-19 positive facilities
4. Appropriate isolation and placement of COVID-19 patients
5. Implement enhanced access controls
6. Enhance control of staff access
7. Effective notifications
8. Continue containment efforts

Additionally, the Governor issued an Executive Order (GA-20) to eliminate the mandatory 14-day quarantine period for individuals traveling from Louisiana. Under GA-20, the mandated 14-day quarantine for travelers from the following areas remains in place: California; Connecticut; New York; New Jersey; Washington; Atlanta, Georgia; Chicago, Illinois; Detroit, Michigan, and Miami, Florida.

View the Governor's Executive Orders issued:

- GA-18: Relating to the expanded reopening of services as part of the safe, strategic plan to Open Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster.
- GA-19: Relating to hospital capacity during the COVID-19 disaster.
- GA-20: Relating to expanding travel without restrictions as part of the safe, strategic plan to Open Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster.

Governor Abbott and Attorney General Ken Paxton issued updated joint guidance regarding the effect of Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-18 on religious services conducted by congregations and houses of worship. It recommends health protocols for houses of worship to guard the health and safety of their attendees while serving their respective communities of faith.

On April 24, Governor Abbott announced that the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) and the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) have launched an online COVID-19 test collection map to help Texans locate test collection sites within their community.

[View the COVID-19 test collection map.](#) The test collection map is also accessible through the [Texas.gov COVID-19 resource page.](#)

On April 24, Governor Abbott and the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) announced that Texas will provide HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) to Texans experiencing housing challenges due to COVID-19. Individuals needing assistance should visit [Help for Texans](#) to search for rental assistance providers in their area. Simply click Long Term Rent Payment Help, enter the city or county, and click on the Find Help button.

On April 23, Governor Abbott announced that Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will provide a series of free online trainings to help local officials understand, acquire, and administer federal assistance available to the state of Texas and municipalities through the Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act and recently passed Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. The first online training, [Federal Relief: An overview for local governments](#), is available now. [The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service](#) is a unique education agency that provides programs, tools, and resources on a local and statewide level that teach people improved agriculture and food production, advanced health practices, environmental protection, economic, and youth programs.

On April 23, Governor Abbott announced that Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will receive nearly \$54 million in federal funds to support older Texans and people with disabilities during the COVID-19 response. The funding will be used to support programs and services administered by the state's 28 Area Agencies on Aging such as home delivered meals, help with household chores, assistance with groceries, and respite care or other services for family caregivers.

On April 22, Governor Abbott temporarily waived certain restrictions to allow Texas higher education institutions to transfer all unexpended student financial aid funds from the Texas College Work-Study (TCWS) program to other financial aid programs that do not have a work-study requirement to ensure students will continue receiving financial assistance. Those programs include the TEXAS Grant program, the Texas Educational Opportunity Grant program, and the Tuition Equalization Grant program.

On April 22, Governor Abbott waived certain testing requirements for Advance Practice Registered Nurses (APRN) as part of the state's response to COVID-19. As a result of this waiver, new APRN graduates who have applied for APRN licensure with the Board of Nursing and have met all licensure requirements except national certification may begin practicing under direct physician supervision. This graduate approval does not include prescriptive authority.

On April 21, Governor Abbott provided an update on job openings in the Lone Star State and outlined resources for Texans seeking employment due to the economic effects of COVID-19.

On April 20, Governor Abbott announced that the Texas National Guard will be mobilizing more than 1,200 personnel as part of COVID-19 mobile testing teams (MTT). The 45 member teams will be mobilized in various parts of the state providing greater access to medical testing.

The teams will have 11 medical professionals and support staff, as well as 34 soldiers. Currently, the Texas National Guard has the capacity to test 150 people per day at each mobile testing team location.

The Texas Military Department was activated by Governor Abbott in March to assist communities across Texas in the COVID-19 response. Currently, over 3,086 Guardsmen are serving in various capacities in response to this activation.

“Essential services” shall consist of everything listed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0 or any subsequent version, plus religious services conducted in churches, congregations, and houses of worship.

Requests for additions should be directed to TDEM at [EssentialServices@tdem.texas.gov](mailto:EssentialServices@tdem.texas.gov) or by visiting [www.tdem.texas.gov/essentialservices](http://www.tdem.texas.gov/essentialservices).

With reports of elevated scams and fraudulent activity preying on the public and consumers disguised as COVID-19 relief and assistance, local, state and federal response includes guidance, investigation, and prosecution. See links below:

- Federal Trade Commission: <https://www.ftc.gov/coronavirus>
- Federal Bureau of Investigation: <https://www.fbi.gov/coronavirus>
- Texas Attorney General: <https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov>
- US Attorney’s Office: <https://www.justice.gov/usao-ndtx/report-covid-19-fraud>
- Federal Communications Commission: <https://www.fcc.gov/covid-scams>

On April 17, Governor Abbott held a press conference where he issued three new Executive Orders (EO-GA-15, EO-GA-16, and EO-GA-17) to begin the process of reopening the State of Texas while revising hospital capacity and certain social distancing guidelines.

On April 13, Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton filed a motion to intervene into a federal lawsuit seeking to stop the release of inmates from the Dallas County Jail, including killers, rapists, arsonists and armed robbers. The Texas Supreme Court stopped an unlawful decision by a state district court in Travis County which would have blocked Governor Abbott’s Executive Order GA 13 and allowed the release of inmates en masse.

On April 12, Governor Abbott issued a proclamation extending his Disaster Declaration for all Texas counties in response to COVID-19. Originally issued on March 13th, the Disaster

Declaration provides the state a number of resources to effectively serve Texans as the Lone Star State continues to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

On April 11, Governor Abbott waived certain regulations related to restrictions on physicians-in-training (PIT) permit holders in order to increase health care capacity through the state's response to COVID-19.

On April 10, Governor Abbott held a press conference where he provided an update on the state's response to COVID-19. The Governor discussed numbers related to COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations, and fatalities in Texas counties.

In addition, the Governor announced a new online Frontline Child Care Website to help essential workers in Texas locate child care and support child care centers who are caring for children during the outbreak. <https://frontlinechildcare.texas.gov>

On April 9, Governor Abbott temporarily waived a series of regulations to lift certain telehealth restrictions and expand telehealth options as Texas responds to COVID-19.

On April 9, Governor Abbott announced that the HHSC has adopted an emergency rule to temporarily allow more nurse aides to serve residents in long-term care facilities during the COVID-19 response.

On April 8, Governor Abbott suspended certain statutes concerning appearance before a notary public to execute a self-proved will, a durable power of attorney, a medical power of attorney, a directive to physician, or an oath of an executor, administrator, or guardian. These suspensions temporarily allow for appearance before a notary public via videoconference when executing such documents, avoiding the need for in-person contact during the COVID-19 pandemic.

On April 8, Governor Abbott announced that his Public Safety Office (PSO) will provide a one-time emergency waiver of the federally required cash or in-kind match contribution required for the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) and STOP Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) grant funds.

On April 8, Governor Abbott announced that Texas Health and Human Services (HHS) will provide more than \$168 million in emergency Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) food benefits to help Texans during the COVID-19 response. [More information about SNAP benefits.](#)

On April 8, Governor Abbott held a press conference where he provided an update on the production and distribution of personal protective equipment (PPE) in Texas. The Governor announced a new partnership between the Texas Military Department (TMD) and Prestige Ameritech to increase the production of face masks for health care workers.

On April 7, Governor Abbott temporarily waived certain regulatory requirements to increase the job capacities of pharmacy technicians and pharmacy interns.

On April 7, Governor Abbott announced that the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) has adopted an emergency rule to allow end stage renal disease (ESRD) facilities to treat patients more effectively during the COVID-19 response.



On April 7, Governor Abbott directed the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) and the Texas Historical Commission (THC) to close all state parks and historic sites as part of the state's efforts to strengthen social distancing practices and prevent gatherings of large groups of people.

On April 7, the Fifth Circuit of the United States Court of Appeals upheld Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA 09, which requires all health care facilities and professionals to postpone any unnecessary medical procedures to free up hospital beds and preserve precious medical supplies for those combating the spread of COVID-19.

On April 6, Governor Abbott held a press conference to provide an update on personal protective equipment (PPE) distribution throughout the state of Texas.

Governor Abbott announced that Care.com is increasing in-home child care access for frontline workers responding to the COVID-19 emergency.

On April 6, Texas Health and Human Services announces Texas WIC, the special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children, is expanding the number of food items eligible for purchase through the program. WIC participants can find detailed information on the [Texas WIC website](#).

On April 5, Governor Abbott temporarily waived certain regulations to expand the health care workforce to assist with Texas' COVID-19 response.

On April 3, Governor Abbott held a press conference to provide an update on Texas hospital capacity. During the press conference, the Governor and Dr. Zerwas presented an overview of statewide hospital bed capacity, as well as a detailed analysis of bed availability by region. Texas has increased by over 140% since March 18th.

On April 2, Governor Abbott suspended regulations to increase the amount of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) workers and first responders in Texas during the state's response to COVID-19.

On April 1, Governor Abbott issued a statement regarding the recently passed \$2 trillion federal stimulus package intended to relieve the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, with a special focus on unemployed workers and the state's hardest-hit businesses.

On April 1, Governor Abbott and the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) took initial action to provide tenant-based rental assistance for Texans experiencing financial hardship due to COVID-19.

On March 31, Governor Abbott issued an Executive Order implementing Essential Services and Activities Protocols for the entire state of Texas. The protocols direct all Texans to minimize non-essential gatherings and in-person contact with people who are not in the same household. The Governor's Executive Order renews and amends his [previous order](#) enforcing federal social distancing guidelines for COVID-19, including closing schools and instructing Texans to avoid eating or drinking at bars and restaurants. The protocols allow exceptions for essential activities and services based on the [Department of Homeland Security's guidelines on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce](#).

These orders will be effective on a statewide basis starting at 12:01 AM on April 2, 2020 and will end on April 30, 2020, subject to extension thereafter based on the status of COVID-19 in Texas and the recommendations of the CDC. [View the Governor's Executive Order.](#)

On March 31, Governor Abbott announced the Comfort Food Care Package (CFCP) program to provide meals for at-risk youth and families in communities across Texas as the state responds to COVID-19. [Texas Restaurant Association website.](#)

On March 30, Governor Abbott waived certain statutory provisions to ensure public safety employees who contract COVID-19 during the course of their employment will be reimbursed for reasonable medical expenses related to their treatment of COVID-19.

On March 30, Governor Abbott announced that the [Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services \(CMS\) \(www.cms.gov\)](#) has approved the Section 1135 Medicaid Waiver submitted by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) on March 26, 2020. This approval grants Texas flexibility in administering Medicaid while the state continues to respond to COVID-19.

On March 29, The Vice President of the United States sent a letter to all Hospital Administrators;

At the President's direction, we are requesting that all hospitals report the following information to HHS:

## 1. COVID-19 Test Result Reporting

a. We are requesting that all hospitals report data on COVID-19 testing performed in your Academic/University/Hospital in-house laboratories. ***If all of your COVID-19 testing is sent out to private labs and performed by 011e of the commercial laboratories 011 the list below, you do not need to report using this spreadsheet.***

i.. *Commercial laboratories:* LabCorp, BioReference Laboratories. Quest Diagnostics, Mayo Clinic Laboratories, and ARUP Laboratories.

b. ***Reporting Instructions:*** We request that all data for COVID-19 testing completed at "in-house" laboratories or a laboratory not listed above be ***reported*** using the attached spreadsheet.

i. Due date/time: The spreadsheet is due EVERY day at 5 PM ET.

ii. Data to report: The data elements are outlined in the spreadsheet [emailed separately], but should include all test results that were completed during the previous day with a midnight cutoff.

iii. Where to submit: Submit the spreadsheet via email to [fema-hhs-coviddiagnostics-tf@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:fema-hhs-coviddiagnostics-tf@fema.dhs.gov).

iv. Data elements to report: Included in the attached spreadsheet with definitions.

c. For questions about reporting, please contact [fema-hhs-covid-diagnosticstf@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:fema-hhs-covid-diagnosticstf@fema.dhs.gov).

## 2. National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) COVID-19 Module

a. To monitor the rapid emergence of COVID-19 and the impact on the healthcare system, all hospitals should report data each day to the National Healthcare Safety network (NHSN)



COVID-19 Patient Impact and Hospital Capacity Module, which has been made available for hospitals to use beginning March 27, 2020. All hospitals that currently use NHS have received an email from the CDC with additional details about how to report to the new module. Although most hospitals already regularly submit data to NHSN on healthcare-associated infections for purposes of CMS reporting, the data we are now asking you to report is necessary in monitoring the spread of severe COVID-19 illness and death as well as the impact to hospitals. Additional details can be found in the attached documents and at the following website: <http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/acute-care-hospital/covid-19/index.html>.

b. For questions on this module, please contact HS @cdc.gov and put "COVID-19 Module" in the subject line.

On March 29, Governor Abbott issued two executive orders (GA – 12) and (GA – 13).

On March 28, Governor Abbott waived certain regulations allowing for an expedited licensing reactivation process for Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRN) in Texas.

On March 28, Governor Abbott waived certain licensing renewal regulations for Texas pharmacists, pharmacy technicians, and pharmacy technician trainees.

On March 27, as part of the state's ongoing response to COVID-19, Governor Abbott announced the deployment of three National Guard Joint Task Force Brigades. The 72nd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, the 56th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, and the 176th Engineer Brigade.

On March 27, Governor Abbott waived certain Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) regulations to preserve and extend child care capacity for front line workers.

On March 26, Governor Abbott announced his request for access to interest-free federal loans (known as Title XII funds) to pay unemployment claims and the accelerated release of funds from the Texas account of the federal Unemployment Trust Fund.

On March 26, Governor Abbott, ordered Travel Restrictions for individuals enter The State of Texas.

On March 25, Governor Abbott released a statement thanking President Trump for issuing a Major Disaster Declaration (DR-4485) for the State of Texas.

Governor Abbott has temporarily waived certain hospital licensing rules and the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) has adopted an emergency rule to meet Texas' need for additional hospital capacity while the state responds to COVID-19.

Governor Abbott has waived certain regulations from the Texas Board of Nursing regarding licensing renewal and subsequent fees for nurses in Texas.

On March 24, Governor Abbott directed the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) to issue guidance allowing restaurants to sell bulk retail products from restaurant supply chain distributors directly to consumers provided that such foods are in their original condition, packaging, or presented as received by the restaurant.

On March 23, Governor Abbott sent a letter to President Trump requesting a presidential declaration of a major disaster in Texas based on the continued impact of COVID-19.

Governor Abbott's letter also detailed the state's efforts to mitigate the impact of COVID-19, including executing the state's emergency management plan and issuing multiple executive orders, in accordance with guidelines from President Trump and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The Governor has also issued multiple waivers of state law to remove barriers limiting the response to this pandemic and activated the Texas National Guard to be prepared to assist with response efforts for COVID-19.

The letter also designated Chief Nim Kidd as the Governor's Authorized Representative and State Coordinating Officer, tasked with continuing his coordination with FEMA on all matters related to COVID-19.

On March 22, the Governor signed an Executive Order for hospitals to increase unused bed capacity without submitting an application or associated fees. The order also creates a Supply Chain Strike Force to ensure all health care facilities have the supplies and resources they need. This executive order takes effect immediately and remains in effect until April 21.

March 20, The U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA) released an announcement that warns consumers about unauthorized fraudulent coronavirus tests. Reports may be sent via email to: [FDA-COVID-19-Fraudulent-Products@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:FDA-COVID-19-Fraudulent-Products@fda.hhs.gov).

On March 19, Governor Abbot issued four Executive Orders to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in Texas.

Order No. 1 - In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, every person in Texas shall avoid social gatherings in groups of more than 10 people.

Order No. 2 - In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, people shall avoid eating or drinking at bars, restaurants, and food courts, or visiting gyms or massage parlors; provided, however, that the use of drive-thru, pickup, or delivery options is allowed and highly encouraged throughout the limited duration of this executive order.

Order No. 3 - In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, people shall not visit nursing homes or retirement or long-term care facilities unless to provide critical assistance.

Order No. 4 - In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, schools shall temporarily close.

This executive order supersedes all previous orders on this matter that are in conflict or inconsistent with its terms, and this order shall remain in effect and in full force until 11:59 PM on April 3, subject to being extended, modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by me or by a succeeding governor.

Governor Abbott also announced that the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has included the entire state of Texas in its Economic Injury Disaster Declaration and granted access to its Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) program, which will provide long-term, low interest loans to qualifying businesses across the state.

On March 19, The Commissioner of the Department of State Health Services, Dr. John Hellerstedt, issued a Public Health Disaster Declaration in Texas.

On March 18, Governor Abbott issued a waiver that will allow restaurants to deliver alcoholic beverages with food purchases to patrons, including beer, wine, and mixed drinks.

On March 18, Governor Abbott, announced that Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Driver License Offices across the state are closing immediately. Governor Abbott announced that he has directed the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) to temporarily waive expiration dates for Driver Licenses, Commercial Driver Licenses, and other identification forms. This action falls within the Governor's State of Disaster Declaration and is part of the ongoing effort to reduce to spread of COVID-19.

Governor Abbott announced that he is activating the Texas National Guard in response to the novel coronavirus outbreak in the state.

Governor Abbott issued a proclamation suspending provisions of the Texas Election Code to allow political subdivisions to postpone their 2020 local elections.

Governor Abbott has announced that Texas is waiving certain rules relating to parking placards for persons with disabilities.

Governor Abbott and the Texas Education Agency (TEA) announced a collaboration with local education agencies (LEA) on the Texas Students MealFinder Map which will allow Texas parents to locate LEA facilities serving meals in their communities.

Governor Abbott announced that he is temporarily suspending certain regulations to ensure that Texans will have continued access to their pharmacists as the state responds to COVID-19. The Governor also announced the launch of an online portal run by the Supply Chain Strike Force to streamline the process and validation of leads for more supplies. The portal, accessible through [www.texas.gov](http://www.texas.gov), will serve as an intake process for those wanting to provide valid leads on PPE and donations. The Governor also issued an Executive Order to better track both hospital bed capacity and COVID-19 test results across the state. The order also requires every public or private entity utilizing FDA-approved COVID-19 tests to submit daily reports of all results to the local health department and DSHS who will then share this information with the CDC.

On March 17, Governor Abbott waived certain regulations and directed that the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) issue an emergency rule, relating to telemedicine care for patients with state-regulated insurance plans.

On March 14, Governor Abbott, directed the Texas Medical Board (TMB) and the Texas Board of Nursing (TBN) to fast-track the temporary licensing of out-of-state physicians, physician

assistants, certain retired physicians, nurses, and other license types to assist in Texas' response to COVID-19.

The Governor suspended State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAR) testing for the state. Governor Abbott has suspended various provisions that require government officials and members of the public to be physically present at a specified meeting location.

On March 13, the President of the United States Donald Trump declared that the COVID-19 global pandemic is a national emergency.

On March 13, the Governor of the State of Texas Abbott issued a proclamation certifying that COVID-19 poses an imminent threat in the state and declared a state of disaster for all 254 counties in Texas.

The Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) Commissioner Sid Miller announced TDA has been granted flexibility from the federal school meal program to allow Texas schools to continue to provide meals to students even if temporarily closed.

The CDC and Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) coronavirus webpages are reliable sources of information. DSHS is monitoring the Texas situation seven days a week.

DSHS is reporting active cases of COVID-19. [Texas COVID-19 Cases.](#)

County of Residence	Number of Cases	County of Residence	Number of Cases
Anderson County	23	Jones County	37
Andrews County	19	Karnes County	3
Angelina County	49	Kaufman County	83
Aransas County	2	Kendall County	16
Armstrong County	2	Kerr County	5
Atascosa County	16	Kleberg County	8
Austin County	13	Knox County	1
Bandera County	6	La Salle County	1
Bastrop County	67	Lamar County	51
Bee County	5	Lamb County	3
Bell County	180	Lampasas County	3
Bexar County	1307	Lavaca County	5
Blanco County	6	Lee County	2
Bosque County	4	Leon County	5
Bowie County	69	Liberty County	41
Brazoria County	476	Limestone County	12
Brazos County	188	Lipscomb County	2
Brooks County	1	Live Oak County	5
Brown County	34	Llano County	3
Burleson County	12	Lubbock County	507
Burnet County	16	Lynn County	5

County of Residence	Number of Cases	County of Residence	Number of Cases
Caldwell County	11	Madison County	2
Calhoun County	30	Marion County	9
Callahan County	2	Martin County	2
Cameron County	387	Mason County	15
Camp County	6	Matagorda County	60
Carson County	2	Maverick County	16
Cass County	13	McCulloch County	3
Castro County	13	McLennan County	87
Chambers County	41	Medina County	19
Cherokee County	14	Midland County	75
Childress County	1	Milam County	14
Clay County	3	Mitchell County	1
Cochran County	1	Montague County	6
Collin County	692	Montgomery County	562
Colorado County	10	Moore County	295
Comal County	52	Morris County	5
Comanche County	3	Motley County	1
Concho County	1	Nacogdoches County	141
Cooke County	8	Navarro County	30
Coryell County	105	Newton County	2
Cottle County	2	Nolan County	1
Crane County	2	Nueces County	99
Crosby County	2	Ochiltree County	25
Dallam County	10	Oldham County	3
Dallas County	3240	Orange County	70
Dawson County	21	Palo Pinto County	7
De Witt County	15	Panola County	80
Deaf Smith County	26	Parker County	30
Delta County	1	Parmer County	6
Denton County	738	Pecos County	9
Dickens County	1	Polk County	19
Dimmit County	1	Potter County	430
Donley County	24	Rains County	2
Duval County	2	Randall County	200
Eastland County	3	Red River County	1
Ector County	78	Roberts County	2
El Paso County	857	Robertson County	4
Ellis County	143	Rockwall County	75
Erath County	12	Runnels County	1

County of Residence	Number of Cases	County of Residence	Number of Cases
Falls County	4	Rusk County	33
Fannin County	18	Sabine County	1
Fayette County	14	San Augustine County	16
Floyd County	3	San Jacinto County	9
Fort Bend County	973	San Patricio County	12
Franklin County	1	Scurry County	2
Freestone County	3	Shelby County	101
Frio County	7	Sherman County	14
Gaines County	2	Smith County	139
Galveston County	554	Starr County	9
Gillespie County	1	Stephens County	1
Goliad County	7	Swisher County	9
Gonzales County	18	Tarrant County	2088
Gray County	42	Taylor County	277
Grayson County	27	Terry County	10
Gregg County	69	Titus County	15
Grimes County	16	Tom Green County	44
Guadalupe County	80	Travis County	1539
Hale County	24	Trinity County	8
Hamilton County	5	Tyler County	6
Hansford County	5	Upshur County	13
Hardin County	99	Uvalde County	6
Harris County	5896	Val Verde County	12
Harrison County	84	Van Zandt County	14
Hartley County	4	Victoria County	127
Hays County	161	Walker County	212
Hemphill County	1	Waller County	30
Henderson County	24	Washington County	140
Hidalgo County	315	Webb County	349
Hill County	15	Wharton County	36
Hockley County	20	Wheeler County	7
Hood County	18	Wichita County	64
Hopkins County	4	Wilbarger County	1
Houston County	5	Willacy County	13
Howard County	4	Williamson County	287
Hunt County	44	Wilson County	31
Hutchinson County	13	Winkler County	3
Jack County	4	Wise County	17
Jackson County	6	Wood County	7



County of Residence	Number of Cases	County of Residence	Number of Cases
Jasper County	12	Yoakum County	1
Jefferson County	298	Young County	4
Jim Hogg County	3	Zapata County	7
Jim Wells County	3	Zavala County	1
Johnson County	67		

DSHS will update the state case count each day by 12:00 Noon Central Time, the data displayed is current as of 8:00 PM the prior day.

#### Shelter-in-Place Orders/Stay-At-Home Orders: No Change

Counties w/orders in place	114
Total Population Covered	26,303,788
Percent of Total Texas Population	89.365%

County Name	Issued	Effective	Population
Anderson	2-Apr	2-Apr	60,160
Andrews	4-Apr	4-Apr	17,417
Angelina	29-Mar	30-Mar	90,822
Aransas	27-Mar	27-Mar	27,567
Armstrong	7-Apr	7-Apr	1,862
Bastrop	30-Mar	1-Apr	90,036
Bee	27-Mar	27-Mar	33,487
Bell	23-Mar	23-Mar	366,853
Bexar	23-Mar	24-Mar	2,005,425
Blanco	6-Apr	6-Apr	11,668
Bowie	27-Mar	27-Mar	96,365
Brazoria	26-Mar	26-Mar	389,943
Brazos	23-Mar	24-Mar	237,067
Brewster	31-Mar	31-Mar	10,257
Briscoe	7-Apr	7-Apr	1,660
Brooks	27-Mar	29-Mar	7,271
Brown	26-Mar	27-Mar	40,153
Caldwell	30-Mar	31-Mar	44,378
Callahan	4-Apr	8-Apr	14,714
Cameron	26-Mar	25-Mar	438,850
Cass	1-Apr	2-Apr	31,271
Castro	24-Mar	24-Mar	7,967
Chambers	24-Mar	24-Mar	45,686
Clay	3-Apr	3-Apr	11,116
Collin	24-Mar	24-Mar	1,052,827
Comal	27-Mar	27-Mar	150,741
Coryell	8-Apr	8-Apr	82,738

Crosby	4-Apr	4-Apr	6,311
Culberson	25-Mar	25-Mar	2,337
Dallas	16-Apr	30-Apr	2,691,264
Deaf Smith	7-Apr	7-Apr	18,546
Denton	24-Mar	25-Mar	890,809
Duval	27-Mar	27-Mar	11,585
Ector	29-Mar	29-Mar	162,583
El Paso	24-Mar	24-Mar	873,710
Ellis	25-Mar	25-Mar	183,406
Erath	25-Mar	25-Mar	44,668
Fort Bend	24-Mar	25-Mar	817,514
Frio	30-Mar	30-Mar	19,879
Galveston	23-Mar	24-Mar	351,130
Gregg	25-Mar	25-Mar	127,868
Guadalupe	3-Apr	3-Apr	169,440
Hale	31-Mar	31-Mar	35,672
Hansford	2-Apr	2-Apr	5,627
Hardin	27-Mar	27-Mar	59,168
Harris	24-Mar	25-Mar	4,758,401
Harrison	31-Mar	31-Mar	68,950
Hays	25-Mar	26-Mar	233,480
Henderson	7-Apr	30-Apr	85,574
Hidalgo	25-Mar	26-Mar	892,240
Hockley	31-Mar	31-Mar	23,704
Hood	25-Mar	25-Mar	60,231
Hopkins	1-Apr	1-Apr	38,289
Hunt	23-Mar	24-Mar	97,332
Jasper	27-Mar	28-Mar	37,626
Jeff Davis	31-Mar	25-Apr	2,274
Jefferson	27-Mar	27-Mar	260,921
Johnson	27-Mar	27-Mar	177,807
Kaufman	24-Mar	25-Mar	129,103
Kenedy	31-Mar	31-Mar	413
Kleberg	27-Mar	27-Mar	32,998
Lampasas	31-Mar	1-Apr	22,209
La Salle	3-Apr	3-Apr	7,682
Lee	1-Apr	1-Apr	18,062
Leon	30-Mar	30-Mar	18,037
Liberty	24-Mar	24-Mar	88,365
Limestone	2-Apr	2-Apr	24,016
Live Oak	1-Apr	2-Apr	12,862
Madison	30-Mar	30-Mar	14,989

Marion	30-Mar	1-May	10,574
Maverick	30-Mar	30-Mar	60,260
McLennan	24-Mar	24-Mar	261,206
Milam	24-Mar	25-Mar	26,308
Mitchell	3-Apr	3-Apr	8,570
Montgomery	27-Mar	28-Mar	617,800
Nacogdoches	29-Mar	30-Mar	67,771
Navarro	25-Mar	25-Mar	51,510
Newton	30-Mar	30-Mar	14,270
Nueces	25-Mar	26-Mar	372,935
Orange	27-Mar	28-Mar	85,436
Panola	31-Mar	1-Apr	24,184
Pecos	2-Apr	2-Apr	16,101
Polk	25-Mar	27-Mar	52,167
Potter	30-Mar	30-Mar	125,261
Presidio	31-Mar	31-Mar	7,729
Randall	1-Apr	1-Apr	138,742
Refugio	1-Apr	1-Apr	7,393
Robertson	25-Mar	25-Mar	18,215
Rockwall	24-Mar	24-Mar	104,235
Sabine	30-Mar	30-Mar	11,876
San Augustine	30-Mar	30-Mar	8,237
San Jacinto	25-Mar	25-Mar	28,859
San Patricio	27-Mar	30-Mar	66,730
Scurry	26-Mar	27-Mar	17,152
Smith	27-Mar	27-Mar	235,560
Starr	24-Mar	24-Mar	68,280
Stephens	23-Mar	23-Mar	9,769
Stonewall	27-Mar	29-Mar	1,483
Swisher	6-Mar	6-Mar	7,698
Tarrant	23-Mar	23-Mar	2,112,559
Taylor	31-Mar	30-Apr	139,604
Terry	2-Apr	2-Apr	12,943
Travis	24-Mar	25-Mar	1,292,042
Trinity	30-Mar	31-Mar	17,263
Tyler	28-Mar	28-Mar	23,139
Val Verde	23-Mar	24-Mar	49,025
Victoria	1-Apr	2-Apr	95,359
Webb	27-Mar	28-Mar	285,552
Wichita	29-Mar	30-Mar	133,469
Willacy	26-Mar	26-Mar	19,949
Williamson	24-Mar	24-Mar	571,532

Wood	1-Apr	1-Apr	47,020
Young	31-Mar	15-Apr	18,623
Zapata	14-Apr	14-Apr	14,015

## OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES:

1. Protect life and property.
2. Support rapid & effective response.
3. Collect and disseminate accurate incident information to improve decision-making.
4. Accurately track incident costs associated with assigned resources for cost recovery.
5. Expand and maximize bed capacity.
6. Develop alternative care sites to support local governments and the health care systems.
7. Acquire supplies/equipment to support health care and testing.
8. Protect vulnerable populations.
9. Ensure visibility on progression of the disease.
10. Support local governments.
11. Set communications messaging for the event based of science and the circumstances.

## Region 1 (Includes DDCs 4, 5, 6, and 22)

From April 24 – May 13, Mobile Testing Teams (MTTs) will travel through the districts specified by DSHS/Public Health Region.

**DDC 4 – Hurst** (Includes: Denton, Erath, Hood, Johnson, Palo Pinto, Parker, Somervell, Tarrant and Wise Counties)

**Denton County:** Denton County issued a Stay at Home Order effective April 7 to April 30.

**City of Sanger:** Issued a Stay at Home Order effective April 7 2020.

**Tarrant County:** Fort Worth Fire Department has opened a COVID-19 testing center available to front line health care workers including physicians, nurses, medical assistants and other health professionals. Call the Infections Disease Coordinator at the Joint Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at the City of Fort Worth at 817-714-9709. This number is answered from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM daily.

**City of Hurst:** The City Council has canceled summer programs and events, including aquatics season and Hurst Stars and Stripes.

**Wise County:** The COVID testing site is utilizing the parking lot of the Bridgeport hospital. Bridgeport tests by appointment only for now and the site will be run by Wise Health Systems. Open daily from 9:00 AM -5:00 PM.

**DDC 4 – Garland** (Includes: Collin, Dallas, Ellis, Hunt, Kaufman, Navarro and Rockwall Counties)

**Dallas County:** Dallas County issued an amended Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency; beginning 11:59 PM April 16 and expiring 11:59 PM April 30. All persons going to an essential business will be required to wear a covering for nose and mouth.

**Ellis County:** The County Judge extended the Stay At home Order until April 30.

**Kaufman County:** Mobile Testing Teams will begin their circuits starting Thursday April 23 in Kaufman County.

**DDC 5 – Mt. Pleasant** (Includes: Bowie, Cass, Delta, Franklin, Hopkins, Lamar, Morris, Red River and Titus Counties)

**Delta County:** Drive-thru testing site has been changed from the First Baptist Church in Cooper to the Cooper Elementary School's west parking lot area. This change was made after discussion with the testing coordinator.

**Titus County:**

**RETAIL & RESTAURANTS**

- All retail stores and all restaurants providing curbside or delivery services must require all employees to wear masks at all times while working.
- All retail stores and all restaurants providing curbside or delivery services must require customers to wear masks before entering the store and while shopping in the store.
- All retail stores must require all customers to sanitize their hands with alcohol-based sanitizer before entering the store.
- Retail stores include: grocery stores, super markets, warehouse stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores.

**DDC 6 – Tyler** (Includes: Anderson, Camp, Cherokee, Gregg, Harrison, Henderson, Marion, Panola, Rains, Rusk, Smith, Upshur, Van Zandt and Wood Counties)

211 is open to the public 24/7 to answer questions about COVID-19 symptoms, and related resources are online at <http://www.211.org/services/covid19>. There are two additional ways to connect: help seekers can text “211Help” to 484848, or visit [www.211texas.org](http://www.211texas.org) to web chat with a Community Resource Specialist. This is a local United Way initiative.

On April 28, 211 ET [lines were down](#). The top unmet needs were [undesignated temporary financial assistance, food pantries, motel payment assistance, and utility deposits](#). The top calls were for: [electric service payment assistance, undesignated temporary financial assistance, rent payment assistance, food stamps/SNAP, and COVID-19 control](#). Reminder, help seekers can visit [www.211texas.org](http://www.211texas.org) to chat with a live agent Monday-Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

[EMTF 4 continues to have MIST deployed with the Mobile Testing Teams and have teams remaining on standby for the developing new mission profile Rapid Assessment-Quick Response Force \(RA-QRF\).](#)

[Elective procedures are starting to resume at multiple medical facilities.](#)

**Anderson County:** [A mobile testing site will be open on May 3 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM at the Anderson County Annex in Palestine. The testing site is being done region wide and is appointment based.](#)

A juvenile curfew in the City of Palestine is in effect seven days a week from 10:00 PM to 06:00 AM.

Cayuga ISD has been approved to restart their meal services this week through the meal program (state funding).

Due to CDC recommendation, CHRISTUS System is asking all patients, visitors and employees to wear a mask while visiting their facilities. Homemade cloth masks are appropriate for visitors. Providers and health care workers will continue to use appropriate medical masks (PPE) when working.

**Camp County:**

**City of Pittsburg:** applied for a Request for Public Assistance (RPA) for the COVID-19 incident and was approved by FEMA.

City of Pittsburg's Economic Development Corporation is conducting a locally funded 'COVID-19 Business Grant' project, authorized by the City of Pittsburg, which will provide up to \$4,500 per eligible business for approved expenses.

**Gregg County:**

**City of Longview:** In response to COVID-19, the East Texas Food Bank (ETFB) is holding an emergency food box distribution on Thursday, April 30 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. at the Longview Convention Complex, located at 100 Grand Blvd.

To receive a free box, community members just need to provide their name and address. There are no eligibility requirements or identification needed. Families will need to enter from Cotton Street onto Grand Boulevard and follow the route and traffic control from the Longview Police Department.

The distribution is drive-thru only and walkups will not be accepted. ETFB is prepared to serve 1,500 families at the distribution. The distribution will be supported by Texas Army National Guardsmen as well as volunteers from Longview Rotary Club and New Beginnings Church. Any family seeking food assistance during the COVID-19 pandemic can visit [www.EastTexasFoodBank.org](http://www.EastTexasFoodBank.org) and click "find food" to get information on the nearest food resources.

**City of White Oak:** City Hall re-opened on April 27 at 7:30 AM, and the city with return to full staffing.

**Van Zandt County:** Canton First Monday Trade Days canceled the May event scheduled for April 30-May 4.

**Henderson County:**

**City of Malakoff:** A declaration and additional orders were declared, requiring residents to remain and Shelter in Place of residence, effective 11:59 PM on April 13, 2020 through May 13, 2020.

**City of Tatum:** The nutrition center has suspended Thursday lunches for at least two weeks.



**Smith County:**

Jury duty continues to be suspended through June 1.

**City of Tyler:** The City of Tyler will extend modified facility operations until Monday, May 4. All events City-operated or in a City facility have been suspended through May 4.

**DDC 22 – Sherman** (Includes: Cooke, Fannin and Grayson Counties)

On April 28, 211 handled 157 calls. Top needs requested at 211 were: food pantries, rent payment assistance, electric service payment assistance, aging and disability resource centers, county clerk of the courts offices, COVID-19 control, food stamps/SNAP applications, gas service payment assistance, and in-home attendants for people with disabilities.

**Region 2 (Includes DDCs 13, 14, 15, 16 Houston, 16 Texas City, 16 Conroe, and DDC Pierce)**

**DDC 14 – Lufkin** (Includes: Angelina, Houston, Jasper, Nacogdoches, Newton, Polk, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, Shelby, Trinity and Tyler Counties)

Test site information is being confirmed for the testing being conducted by EMTF 4 & 6 and the Texas National Guard Teams. Sites for EMTF-4 and EMTF-6 have been selected.

**Angelina County:** Working through local partnerships to secure grants in order to provide Utility and Rent assistance as well as Emergency Food Boxes. Zoom bible studies weekly, plus Facebook and online option for services. Working with Meals on Wheels for referrals of more than 200 people on a waiting list, and utilizing a collaboration with Heart to Heart Hospice to deliver food boxes to seniors, who are shut ins. Pastoral care and food boxes given to all Corps families and youth.

**Polk County:** The Alabama-Coushatta Tribe is requesting assistance in obtaining a COVID-19 testing site and requesting tests for antibodies with results for the tribal citizens and employees.

**DDC 15 – Beaumont** (Includes: Hardin, Jefferson and Orange Counties)

The Southeast Texas Regional Emergency Operations Center has launched a website summarizing and consolidating all information related to COVID-19 activities in Hardin, Jasper, Jefferson, Newton, Orange, and Tyler counties. <https://covid-19-jeffco.hub.arcgis.com/>

**DDC 16 – Houston** (Includes Chambers and Harris Counties)

**South East Texas Regional Advisory Council (SETRAC) - Catastrophic Medical Operations Center (CMOC):** With the spread of COVID-19 in our nation reaching a point where identification of COVID-19 patients in the greater Houston area has been reached, the CMOC has activated Level 1 and is likely to remain so for the foreseeable future, to support regional healthcare organizations in response to the COVID-19 incident, with the aim of maintaining the regional healthcare infrastructure.

**Harris County:** On April 28, the Houston Health Department will begin offering free COVID-19 testing through its mobile unit at strategic multi-service centers.

People do not need to have symptoms or appointments to be tested. The mobile unit has a daily capacity of 100 tests and is available as a drive-thru or walk-up option.

Mobile testing will occur Tuesdays-Fridays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., or until capacity is reached, as follows:

- April 28-May 2: Kashmere Multi-Service Center, 4802 Lockwood Dr, Houston, TX 77026
- May 5-9: Hiram Clarke Multi-Service Center, 3810 W Fuqua St, Houston, TX 77045
- May 12-16: Third Ward Multi-Service Center, 3611 Ennis St, Houston, TX 77004

People with questions about mobile testing can call the health department's COVID-19 call center at 832-393-4220.

United Memorial Medical Center on Monday opened a free COVID-19 drive-through testing site at Barnett Sports Complex in Southeast Houston.

The site does not require people to have symptoms or appointments to be tested. The site has capacity to test approximately 250 people daily and is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., or until daily capacity is reached.

UMMC worked with the Houston Health Department to identify a strategic location for the new testing site and will do the same for future UMMC sites.

People with questions about UMMC testing sites can call 1-866-333-COVID or visit [ummcscreening.com](http://ummcscreening.com).

The Houston Health Department is partnering with four Federally Qualified Health Centers to expand their COVID-19 testing capacity by providing test kits, lab access and equipment.

FQHC patients pay what they can afford, based on income, and are not denied services due to inability to pay or lack of insurance.

The Houston Health Department continues operating two free drive-through COVID-19 community-based testing sites. The sites are open to anyone, regardless of symptoms.

People must call 832-393-4220 to receive an access code and instructions on where to go for testing. The two sites each have capacity for 500 tests per day and are open daily until capacity is reached.

Houstonians should visit [HoustonEmergency.org/covid19](http://HoustonEmergency.org/covid19) for the latest local information about COVID-19 and ways to protect their family and community.

Harris County Judge Lina Hidalgo signed an Executive Order requiring the use of face coverings in public spaces for all persons over the age of 10. This order is effective Monday,

April 27, 2020 at 12:01 AM and extends until May 26, 2020 at 11:59 PM.

Per the order, face coverings shall be worn except when:

- Exercising outside or engaging in physical activity outside;
- Alone in a separate single space, whether indoors or outdoors;
- In the presence only of other members of one's residence, whether inside or outside the residence;
- When doing so poses a greater mental or physical health, safety or security risk; or
- When eating or drinking.

**DDC 16 – Texas City** (Includes: Brazoria and Galveston Counties)

Utility Payments may still be made using the drop box located outside of City Hall, online at [www.Xpressbillpay.com](http://www.Xpressbillpay.com) , or over the phone. There will be no late fees nor disconnects during this time.

**Galveston County:** This week, the health district will offer free COVID-19 testing in Texas City Monday-Friday, in League City Monday-Wednesday, and in Galveston on Thursday and Friday.

**DDC 16C – Conroe** (Includes: Liberty, Montgomery and Walker Counties)

**Liberty County:** Liberty County Executive Order issued by County Judge “Stay Safe” Emergency Measures on March 24, 2020 Executive Order 032420-000613.

**Montgomery County:** 04/17/2020: Montgomery County Judge Mark J. Keough signed an order immediately terminating the “Stay Home, Stop the Spread” order and nightly curfew, issued initially on March 27. County Judge Keough said he is waiting for more direction from the state.

**Walker County:** [Walker County Curfew entered and ordered March 22](#). April 09, Walker County Judge Ordered “Stay at Home Order.” All individuals currently living in Walker County, are ordered to Stay Home, [which aligns with Governor Abbott GA-14 Executive Order](#).

**Waller County:** City of Prairie View Mayor ordered “Stay at Home” for Prairie View March 27.

**DDC 16D – Rosenberg** (Includes: Austin, Colorado, Fort Bend, Matagorda and Wharton (Counties))

**Austin County:**

Testing Screening Site(s): 1

*Belleville Medical Center  
44 North Cummings St  
Belleville, TX 77418  
979-413-7400*

LHA Dr. Bosse 267-620-1100  
Chief Morris EMS

**Colorado County:**

Testing Screening Site(s): 3

1. *OakBend Sandhill*  
4911 Sandhill Drive  
Sugar Land, Texas  
281-238-7870
2. *Smart Financial Center*  
18111 Lexington Blvd  
Sugar Land, TX 77479
3. *Fort Bend County Fairgrounds*  
4310 TX-36  
Rosenberg, TX 77471

**Fort Bend County:** A second testing site is now open in Sugar Land. Citizens must contact @FortBendHealth to get an ID code before going.

**Matagorda County:**

Testing Screening Site(s): 1

Matagorda Regional Medical Center  
104 7th St,  
Bay City, TX 77414

**Wharton County:**

Testing Screening Site(s): 1

Mid Coast Medical Clinic  
305 Sandy Corner Rd.  
El Campo, TX 77437  
(979) 543-5510

**Region 3 (Includes DDCs 19, 20, 21, and 24)**

**DDC 19 – Laredo** (Includes: Jim Hogg, Starr, Webb and Zapata, Counties)

**Webb County:**

**City of Laredo:** Beginning at 12:01 AM on April 30, 2020, landlords shall be prohibited from evicting a residential tenant for non-payment of rent during throughout the COVID-19 Declaration of Emergency.

The City of Laredo shall pay a maximum of fourteen days of emergency paid sick leave to any City employee who has tested positive, or who has a spouse or child that has tested positive, for COVID-19. This leave is available from April 1 through December 31, 2020.

The City of Laredo shall allocate \$1,500,000 through monies “COVID-19 Emergency Relief Funds” acquired from the Utilities Department Water Availability Fund, Solid Waste Department, and/or Environmental Services Department, for purposes of covering the cost of a maximum of three months of residents utility fees for qualifying individuals who are unable to pay their bills due to a layoff that is a direct result of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

**Zapata County:** The following mandatory conditions must be met:

- Face coverings must be present at all times when launching boat or fishing from the banks
- A distance of six feet should be maintained at all times
- Groups should be limited to no more than five individuals

**DDC 20 – Corpus Christi** (Includes: Aransas, Bee, Brooks, Duval, Jim Wells, Kenedy, Kleberg, Live Oak, Nueces, Refugio and San Patricio Counties)

On May 1-3 Testing is scheduled in Kleberg County (Kingsville) and May 3 in Brooks County (Falfurrias).

**2-1-1 Texas/United Way HELPLINE:**

Coastal Bend Region Service area: Aransas, Bee, Brooks, Duval, Jim Wells, Kenedy, Kleberg, Live Oak, McMullen, Nueces, Refugio, San Patricio counties. <https://www.211texas.org/add-or-edit-your-2-1-1-listing/coastal-bend/>

**Coastal Bend Council of Governments:** Assisting in distribution of information regarding the Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program.

**Brooks County:** On April 9, Brooks County issued an order requiring people of the age of 5 and older to wear some form of covering over the nose and mouth when in public.

**Live Oak County:** The Joint Stay at Home order for the Live Oak County, City of George West, and City of Three Rivers will end 11:59 pm on April 30th. The County will be going to the 25% rule from the Governors Open Texas Guide. The Live Oak County Health department is monitoring the situation through their local Health Clinics and the recent Military Supplied Testing. The local fire departments have stopped the program to decon the carts after the stores close.

**Nueces County:** All city beaches in the City of Corpus Christi continue to be closed from 8:00 PM -8:00 AM.

**Port of Corpus Christi:** One vessel, M/V BBC Sapphire, has been placed under a USCG Captain of the Port order to remain at anchor offshore due to positive test for COVID-19 of a crewman. Crewman has been evacuated to Spohn Shoreline Hospital. Completed fulfillment of a second facemask request through CBRAC, 2000 additional masks received to support an upcoming multi-agency operation. Coordinated a delivery of a 35-gallon drum of hand sanitizer to the Ronald McDonald House Continue to support hand sanitizer distribution and pick up of empty drums, 19 drums returned. Received two 275-gallon totes of sanitizer from Hye Rum, transportation of totes coordinated with HEB.

Distributed goggles to the Port Police and Maintenance ground crews along with two cases of disinfectant wipes, Tyvek coveralls, and four cases of disinfectant spray. Coordinated the fulfillment of facemask requests through CBRAC, for an upcoming multi agency mission. All business travel and non-essential events have been postponed indefinitely.

**PCCA CEO extends the “stay at home order” outlined by HR thru May 1. No in-person visitors,**

contractors, or vendors shall be allowed at the administration or annex buildings through Friday, May 1st. The Port will also close the East and West fishing areas located off the Joe Fulton International Corridor.

**DDC 21 – Weslaco** (Includes: Cameron, Hidalgo and Willacy Counties)

**Food Bank RGV:** Due to the rise in demand, families will only be allowed to visit the food bank once every 30 days. Pickup is every Tuesday from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, or until capacity is reached. Emergency pantry services for seniors 60 and older is on Thursdays from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

**Cameron County:** Cameron County will terminate the county wide curfew order on May 1st, 2020

In a press release issued today, Cameron County Public Health continues to work with the two nursing homes facilities in addressing the COVID-19 outbreaks.

As of Monday, April 27, the city of Brownsville has administered 1,145 coronavirus tests, that's around 40% of residents who signed up at its drive-thru testing facility.

City of Harlingen residents wanted to test in the City of Brownsville, and city commissioners have reached an agreement with Harlingen officials for more testing. The agreement allows Brownsville to recoup costs from Harlingen residents. For insured patients, tests cost around \$58. An additional \$110 for uninsured patients.

The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley will be opening a fourth coronavirus drive-thru testing site in Cameron County on Tuesday in the City of Harlingen. It will be operated by appointment only with mandatory screening by phone.

As of 12:01 a.m. Saturday, Cameron County parks, beaches and boat ramps are open again, though with restrictions. Parking lots at pedestrian-only beach parks such as Isla Blanca or E.K. Atwood will be limited to 50 percent capacity, while drive-on beaches will require at least 20 feet between vehicles, Treviño said. Social distancing must be practiced and everyone at the beach must wear a mask or facial covering, though they are not required in the water, he said.

Watercraft for fishing may have a maximum of two occupants, or four occupants if members of the same household, and everyone has to wear a mask or facial covering. Charter fishing boats 18 feet or smaller may contain a guide and one client. Boats 22-26 feet in length may contain a guide and two clients. All parks will close at 6 p.m. or 7 p.m.

Cameron County will be implementing a special task force with local business leaders for plans to reopen Rio Grande Valley businesses.

The University of Texas - Rio Grande Valley School will open a fourth drive thru testing site in Harlingen on Tuesday, April 28. Testing will be by appointment only with a mandatory screening by phone.

**Hidalgo County:** Drive-thru coronavirus testing started in the City of Donna on Monday, April 27. The drive-thru testing center will be open from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM on weekdays and from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM on Saturdays.



The University of Texas - Rio Grande Valley School of Medicine has opened a coronavirus drive-thru testing site in Mercedes. Testing is free to the public who qualify after a mandatory screening over the phone.

The City of Elsa, in collaboration with other entities, has established a drive thru testing site in the Delta area. The City of Elsa and Emergency Diagnostic Solutions opened two new COVID-19 drive thru testing site on Monday, April 27.

**Willacy County:** Willacy County has issued an order allowing residents to shop at reopened retail businesses. The order also reopens the Raymondville Municipal Golf Course, mandating it operate following DSHS guidelines.

**DDC 24 – Del Rio** (Includes: Dimmit, Edwards, La Salle, Kinney, Maverick, Real, Uvalde, Val Verde and Zavala Counties)

**Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas (KTTT):** Currently, there is a Tribal Government shut down in place. An emergency declaration was issued on the evening of March 13 to scale down on-site operations to only essential personnel.

**La Salle County:** A medical testing site was selected in La Salle County: La Salle County Fire Station #1 at 951 Dobie Road in Cotulla.

**Real County:** On April 3, The County extended their declaration for an additional 30 days. On April 20 Real County submitted a Letter to Governor Abbott regarding COVID-19 and its effect on the local tourist economy.

On April 29, 2020 the City of Leakey will host a MTT, testing will be conducted 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM, at the Leakey ISD Student Drop Off - Pick-up site, 425 N Market St., in Leakey.

**Uvalde County:** PPE resupply is underway for Uvalde Memorial Hospital.

**Val Verde County:** COVID-19 Testing Site is open; City of Del Rio Civic Center, 1915 Veterans Blvd., in Del Rio from 9:00AM – 5:00PM. Flyer and webpage is set up and distributed.

#### **Region 4 (Includes DDCs 8, 9, and 10)**

**DDC 8 – El Paso** (Includes: Brewster, Culberson, El Paso, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis and Presidio Counties)

##### **El Paso County:**

The City of El Paso amended their ordinance which states anyone outside of home must wear a mask. They also open walking and jogging paths but not parks or playgrounds.

The City of El Paso extended its shelter in place directive until May 17.

**DDC 9A – Midland** (Includes: Andrews, Borden, Dawson, Ector, Gaines, Glasscock, Howard, Martin, Midland and Winkler Counties)

**Midland County:** Emergency shelter remains open with all recommended safety precautions being adhered. Serving 3 daily meals, while abiding by the recommended CDC guidance on social distancing and sanitation. Thrift Store hours have been cut back 9am - 3pm rather than 9am-5pm. Sanitation in all locations has been increased to multiple times a day.

**Andrews County:** Andrews testing site opens May 1 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM at 105 Commerce Drive in the fire station.

**Ector County:** Odessa testing site opens May 2 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM at 4201 Andrews Hwy at the Coliseum, Barn C.

Ector County Judge orders EOC to return to level IV.

**Howard County:** Big Spring testing site opens May 3 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM at 1701 E FM 700 in the Trinity Baptist Church.

**Midland County:** Greenwood testing site opens May 3 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM at 3701 FM 1379 in the fire station.

**Winkler County:** Wink testing site opens April 29 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM at 303 E Hendricks in the fire station.

**DDC 9B – Fort Stockton** (Includes: Crane, Loving, Pecos, Reeves, Terrell, Upton and Ward Counties)

**Crane County:** Crane test site opens on Tuesday April 28 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM at the Exposition building 900 W 6<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Loving County:** Mentone testing site at 200 Bell Street (Annex Building) opens Tuesday April 28 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

**Upton County:** McCamey testing site opens Thursday April 30 at 108 W Fifth Street (Annex building) from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

**Region 5** (Includes DDCs 1, 2, 3, and 7)

**DDC 2 – Lubbock** (Includes: Bailey, Cochran, Crosby, Dickens, Floyd, Garza, Hale, Hockley, King, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Motley, Terry and Yoakum Counties)

**Garza County:** Mobile COVID-19 testing will begin in Garza County on April 28.

**Lubbock County:** City of Lubbock has new drive-through test sites opening April 29, at the Patterson Library.

**DDC 3 – Wichita Falls** (Includes: Archer, Baylor, Clay, Cottle, Foard, Hardeman, Jack, Wichita, Wilbarger and Young Counties)

Mobile testing teams will be doing public testing in the district beginning April 28 in Vernon.

Mobile Testing Teams will be doing public testing in Graham April 29.

**DDC 7 – Abilene** (Includes: Brown, Callahan, Coleman, Comanche, Eastland, Fisher, Haskell, Jones, Kent, Knox, Mitchell, Nolan, Runnels, Scurry, Shackelford, Stephens, Stonewall, Throckmorton and Taylor Counties)

Testing in Scurry County is scheduled for Wednesday April 29 and Stephens County Thursday April 30.

**Brown County:** Currently the Senior Citizens Center in the City of Brownwood is open serving 130 meals per day in a drive through facility and is delivering an additional 180 meals per day to homebound clients.

**Region 6** (Includes DDCs 11, 12, 17, 18A, 18B, and 23)

**DDC 12 – Austin** (Includes: Bastrop, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Lee, Llano, Travis and Williamson Counties)

**Burnet County:** A request was submitted to the State for a second Texas Military Forces testing site in Marble Falls.

**DDC 23 – Killeen** (Includes: Bell, Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas, Milam, Mills and San Saba Counties)

Other testing sites in the district have been selected in Milam, Coryell, Lampasas, and Hamilton counties.

## **RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS**

**Texas Division of Emergency Management Texas A&M University System (TDEM):** The State of Texas State Operations Center remains at Readiness Level II Escalated Response Conditions, with Daily Operations staff processing disaster declarations, letters to the Governor, Disaster Summary Outlines, State of Texas Assistance Requests (STARs), as well as severe weather messages, preparing Snapshots and the state SITREP. The State Management Team (SMT) continues conducting operations in the State Operations Center, working together with activated members of the State's Emergency Management Council. TDEM District Coordinators are working closely with their local emergency management partners and various members of the public health community to assist with unmet needs and resources.

Visit the TDEM and DSHS Testing Site Maps to find a facility near you.

**Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service (AgriLife):** Texas A&M AgriLife Extension is leading an education effort to help with understand the CARES Act. AgriLife Extension will serve as an information conduit to ensure everyone who is eligible understands how to apply for federal relief funding. This educational initiative will focus on the following areas of relief: Treasury, Small Business, Homeland Security, Justice/Police, HUD, HHS, Health, Labor/Arts, Education, Agriculture, Food Programs, and Rural Development. The first training is available at AgriLife Learn (<https://agrilifelifelearn.tamu.edu/product?catalog=TAEX-001>).

Article about COVID19 relief for Ag Producers <https://agrilifetoday.tamu.edu/2020/04/21/covid-19-relief-for-farmers-ranchers/>. In the article, a briefing paper is referenced that has been developed by the Agricultural and Food Policy Center at Texas A&M University.

AgriLife activated one Regional Program Leader to assist TDEM DDC 6.

Disaster Strike Team members are making PPE deliveries from RAC's and armories to fulfill STAR's and for Mobile Specimen Collection Sites. Eight DAR agents and Strike Team members delivered by Pony Express 2,000 specimen collection kits to re-supply MTT sites in Katy, Austin, [Mt. Pleasant, Weatherford, and Aransas Pass](#). Four DAR agents received specimens at armories from collection sites after closing, and are transporting them to airports to be flown to UTMB for analysis.

Eight Strike teams (100 total personnel) are delivering PPE and medical supplies from HPP RAC sites to assist with medical supply distribution.

**Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX):** TEEX continues to support COVID-19 response across Texas.

Incident Support Team (IST) at San Antonio Armory has been issuing initial PPE packages to the deploying Mobile Testing Team (MTT). SOC staff is working on plans to support the MTT operations.

**Texas A&M Forest Service (TFS):** TFS currently has 39 personnel committed to Covid-19 Response and is providing planning support, logistical support, and other functional areas as needed throughout the state. TFS resources are assisting the Texas Division of Emergency Management, Texas Department of State Health Services, and local jurisdictions. Assistance activities include Incident Action Plan development, Situation Reports, STAR Processing, Personal Protective Equipment hauling, logistical support for shipping and receiving materials, incident management support, and training.

**Disaster Task Force (DTF):** DTF remote activity includes: donation processing (nine new donation inquiries through [Texas.gov](https://www.texas.gov) as of April 29), medical volunteer coordination, and volunteer hour tracking (documented 61 volunteer hours).

**Public Utilities Commission (PUC):** PUC has created a link specific for COVID-19 on our public webpage. <http://www.puc.texas.gov/covid-19/>

**Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ):** TCEQ has created a link specific for COVID-19 on our public webpage. <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/response/covid-19/tceq-preparedness-responsibilities-covid-19>

### **Texas Department of Health Services (DSHS):**

#### Regional Activities:

All eight HPP Providers have activated Regional Operations Centers and are distributing PPE to healthcare entities in the region.

SMOC will receive six Battelle decontamination systems from FEMA that will be able to clean 80,000 N95 masks a day. Two of the eight Battelle Decontamination Systems have deployed to the regional destinations. Each system has capacity to clean and decontaminate 80,000+ n95 masks a day.

#### DSHS Call Center Activities:

The Call Center received 13,393 calls and 8,585 emails to date. Over the past 24 hours, the Call Center received a total of 122 calls and 163 emails. The Call Center is operational 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM every day of the week.

**Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR):**

TDLR's Industrialized Housing and Buildings (IHB) Program has developed procedures for "Remote Video Inspections" (RVI) that may be used in lieu of the regular procedures for the in-plant inspections required by the rules governing the IHB Program.

TDLR is extending their agency's current work from home initiative through May 31, 2020. As that date approaches, they will evaluate the current guidance from public health officials and state leaders to determine whether an additional extension is warranted.

TDLR reminds licensees, particularly those in the medical and health professions that they must continue to observe sanitary requirements. Anyone seeking guidance about whether to continue providing services should contact their local health departments or county judges, who are authorized to make that decision.

TDLR reminds all cosmetology salons (including nail salons, estheticians, and mini-salons), barbershops, laser hair removal establishments, and massage establishments that, in accordance with Executive Order GA-18 issued on April 27, they shall continue to remain closed.

**Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS):**

DPS Aviation responded to multiple requests for the statewide movement of supplies, test kits and collected samples. They flew to 6 airports to complete the transport mission of 750+ samples to Galveston. THP Region II personnel assisted with ground transportation of the collected samples from Scholes Airport to the UTMB lab for processing. THP personnel from Amarillo assisted TDEM with the Viral Transport Medium (VTM) standby request at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center-Amarillo.

**Texas Education Agency (TEA):**

To view TEA support and guidance for school districts regarding COVID-19 please visit <https://tea.texas.gov/texas-schools/safe-and-healthy-schools/coronavirus-covid-19-support-and-guidance>.

**Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC):** Texas HHSC temporarily suspended non-essential visits to State Hospitals and State Supported Living Centers.

**Texas Military Department (TMD):** Governor Abbott activated the Texas National Guard on Tuesday, March 17 to help with the state's response to coronavirus. TMD currently has 3,086 personnel in support of the COVID-19 Response. Two TMD General Support Units are operating in support of testing sites in Kingsville and Houston. Eight TMD GSUs are staging in Dallas, San Antonio, Corpus Christi, Lubbock, Austin, Houston, El Paso, Weslaco and Tyler to implement the TDEM distribution plan to the RACs. TMD MDCs are supporting DDCs in 2, 04A, 04B, 6, 7, 8, 12, 13, 14, 16A, 16C, 16D, 18B, 19, DDC 20 and 21 and DDC 24. TMD is supporting the manufacture of n95 masks. TMD is assisting TDEM with warehouse distribution of PPE. TMD is supporting the North Texas Food Bank, the South Texas Food Bank, the East Texas Food bank, the Rio Grande Valley Food Bank, Harris County Food Bank, Tarrant County

Food Bank, and the El Paso Food Bank with distribution. TMD is supporting the State Operations Center. TMD Engineering Facility Assessment teams are actively evaluating alternate care medical facilities for COVID 19 patient overflow potential. The TMD Engineering team is working with the Army Corp of Engineers. TMD is supporting Community Based Testing site operations in Garza, Duval, Jim Hogg, Parker, Wilbarger, Franklin, Titus, San Jacinto, Orange, Caldwell, Llano, Zavala, Bandera, Loving and Crane County. TMD has assisted with screening more than 7000 people. TMD is supporting TDEM Critical Information Systems with data compilation and STAR repositioning. TDEM is supporting the Department of State Health Services by tracking PPE distribution to health care facilities.

**Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD):** TPWD is monitoring the COVID-19 situation closely and making agency adjustments based on the DSHS and CDC guidelines to ensure the health and safety of employees, volunteers, and the public visiting TPWD facilities. Texas Game Wardens are currently assisting with “Pony Express” Rural COVID-19 Testing sites by providing ground transportation.

**Texas Workforce Commission (TWC):** TWC has 88.11% of its staff in Texas teleworking.

- Affected COVID-19 TWC Offices:
- 48 offices across the state have been closed for deep cleaning due to potential exposure to COVID-19 due to public access, staff exposure or staff relative exposure.
- Child Care & Early Learning Division:
  - 5,086 of all regulated providers have reported closing.
  - 1,713 providers that accept subsidy have closed.
- Frontline CC Availability Portal
  - 4,549 providers updated their availability, showing 111,664 seats open, 2,836 of those are subsidy and open:
    - 16,139-infants
    - 28,197-toddler
    - 35,654-preschool
    - 31,654-school-age
  - Total counties reporting- 187
  - 12,289 parent searches
- Customer Support Efforts:
  - TWC shares 250 posts a week on 3 social platforms.
  - TWC has responded to more 9,000 private message a week.
  - TWC receives 29,949 comments per week.
  - Posts are seen by 3,936,823 per week.
- Unemployment Insurance:
  - Call centers are open 7 days a week 7:00 AM-7:00 PM.
  - TWC has taken 111 weeks or 26 months of claims in 26 days.
  - Claims by county and by industry have been added to the UI by number website <https://twc.texas.gov/files/jobseekers/unemployment-claims-by-week-large.png>



- Expanded the number of people doing pin and password resets with most of external relations working on them.
- A press release will be coming out with detailed instructions for self-employed/contract and gig workers.
- Three media updates a week M, W, F at 2:00 PM.
- Facebook lives are being held with a Tele-Center coordinator to answer questions.
- TWC is promoting the reallocating funding from last week's commission meetings.
- TWC has the 8th call center coming on line this week.
- TWC has expanded call center hours: 7:00 AM -7:00 PM and 7 days a week.

## STATE RESOURCES COMMITTED

Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Personnel	Equipment	Status	Location
AgriLife	Specialists/Admin	22		Activated	College Station
AgriLife	SOC Liaison	1		Assigned	SOC/Austin
AgriLife	DAR Extension Agents	10	10	Activated	Statewide
AgriLife	Strike Teams	100		Activated	Statewide
Agrilife	Incident Support Teams	16	16	Assigned	Regional Advisory Council Areas
Agrilife	Extension Agent Strike Team for PPE delivery	15	15	Assigned	Border
Agrilife	Extension Agent Strike Team for PPE delivery	10	10	Assigned	Panhandle
Agrilife	Extension Agent Strike Team for PPE delivery	11	11	Assigned	Coastal Bend
Agrilife	Extension Agent Strike Team for PPE delivery	11	11	Assigned	CATRAC
Agrilife	Extension Agent Strike Team for PPE delivery	11	11	Assigned	NCTTRAC
Agrilife	Extension Agent Strike Team for PPE delivery	11	11	Assigned	SETRAC
Agrilife	Extension Agent Strike Team for PPE delivery	11	11	Assigned	STRAC
Agrilife	Extension Agent Strike Team for PPE delivery	11	11	Assigned	Pineywoods
DPS-THP	Liaison	1		Assigned	SOC/Austin
DPS-THP	Personnel	4	4	Assigned	Dallas County
DPS-THP	HSOC GIS Specialist	1	1	Assigned	SOC/Austin
DPS THP	Troopers			Assigned	Statewide
DPS COMMS	Command Trailer		1	Assigned	Austin

DPS THP	Aviation			Assigned	Statewide
DSHS	Ambulances	4	2	Assigned	Denton State School
DSHS	Medical Incident Support Team (MIST)	1		Assigned	DDC 4B Garland
DSHS	State Coordinating Officer (SCO)	1		Assigned	SOC/Austin
DSHS	Mobile Medical Unit (MMU) Staffing	6		Stand By	NRG
DSHS	Ambulance Strike Team (AST)	2	1	Stand By	NRG
DSHS	Fatality Management Trailer (FMT) (HPP)		3	Assigned	PHR 2/3, 4/5N, 7
DSHS	AST	2	1	Assigned	San Antonio Riverview
DSHS	MIST	2		Assigned	EMTF 1
DSHS	MIST	5		Assigned	EMTF 2
DSHS	MIST	2		Assigned	EMTF4
DSHS	MIST	8		Assigned	EMTF8
DSHS	MIST	2		Assigned	EMTF11
DSHS	Epidemiologists	42		Assigned	PHRs Statewide
DSHS SMOC	SMOC Staff	77		Assigned	Telework
PUC	SOC Liaison	1		Assigned	SOC (Remote)
TAHC	SOC Liaison	1		Assigned	Virtual
TAHC	AROCC Operations	6		Assigned	Virtual
TAHC	Logistics	1		Assigned	Virtual
TAHC	Transportation Assistance	1	1	Available	Laredo
TDA	SOC Liaison	1		Assigned	Remote
TDLR	SOC Liaison	1		Assigned	Remote
TEA	SOC Liaison	1		Assigned	Remote
TEEX, TAMUS	SOC Liaisons	4		Assigned	Remote SOC - Austin
TEEX, TAMUS	Incident Support Team (IST)	9		Assigned	El Paso
TEEX, TAMUS	Incident Support Team (IST)	7		Assigned	Dallas
TEEX, TAMUS	Incident Support Team (IST)	9		Assigned	De Valle
TEEX, TAMUS	Incident Support Team (IST)	8		Assigned	Corpus Christi
TEEX, TAMUS	Incident Support Team (IST)	8		Assigned	Lubbock
TEEX, TAMUS	Incident Support Team (IST)	7		Assigned	Tyler

TEEX, TAMUS	Incident Support Team (IST)	7		Assigned	Houston
TEEX, TAMUS	Incident Support Team (IST)	7		Assigned	San Antonio
TEEX, TAMUS	CBTS Data Support	1		Assigned	
TEEX, TAMUS	CBTS Data Support	1		Assigned	
TEEX, TAMUS	CBTS Data Support	1		Assigned	
TEEX, TAMUS	CBTS Data Support	1		Assigned	
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TEEX, TAMUS	CBTS Data Support	1		Assigned	
TEEX, TAMUS	CBTS Data Support	1		Assigned	
TEEX, TAMUS	CBTS Data Support	1		Assigned	
TFS	ESB/ESF 4 Representative	1		Assigned	SOC
TFS	EOC Support	3		Assigned	College Station
TFS	All Hazards planning Module (on-site)	4		Assigned	DDC 4B
TFS	Planning Support	1		Assigned	DDC 3 (On-site)
TFS	Planning Support	1		Assigned	DDC 5 (Remote)
TFS	Planning Support	1		Assigned	DDC 6 (Remote)
TFS	Planning Support	2		Assigned	DDC 7 (Remote)
TFS	Planning Support	1		Assigned	DDC 16D (Remote)
TFS	Planning Support	1		Assigned	DDC 17 (Remote)
TFS	Planning Support	1		Assigned	DDC 20 (Remote)
TFS	Planning Support	1		Assigned	DSHS Region 1 (On-site)
TFS	Logistical Support	20		Assigned	San Antonio
TFS	Operational Support	1		Assigned	DSHS Region 1
TFS	Liaison Officer	1		Assigned	DDC 7/Eastland Co. (Remote)

TTI	Traffic Counters	7		Assigned	TX/LA Border
TMD	SOC Military Desk	3		Assigned	SOC/Austin
TMD	SOC Food Unit	3		Assigned	SOC/Austin
TMD	SOC Logs Vettors	14		Assigned	SOC/Austin
TMD	Military District Coordinator	2		Assigned	Garland
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Hurst
TMD	ETN Support	4		Assigned	Garland
TMD	GSU 08	34		Assigned	Kingsville
TMD	GSU 10-1	30		Assigned	Houston
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Corpus Christi
TMD	J6 Support	7		Assigned	Austin
TMD	BJTF Mission CMD	5		Assigned	Fort Worth
TMD	BJTF Mission CMD	4		Assigned	Houston
TMD	BJTF Mission CMD	25		Assigned	Austin
TMD	JTF LNO (3 BDE CMD)	3		Assigned	Austin, Houston, Fort Worth
TMD	General Support Unit	36		Assigned	Lubbock
TMD	General Support Unit	36		Assigned	Dallas
TMD	General Support Unit	36		Assigned	El Paso
TMD	General Support Unit	36		Assigned	Austin
TMD	General Support Unit	35		Assigned	Corpus Christi
TMD	General Support Unit	36		Assigned	Tyler
TMD	General Support Unit	36		Assigned	San Antonio
TMD	General Support Unit	36		Assigned	Houston
TMD	GSU & HQ	34		Assigned	San Antonio
TMD	GSU for BDE Support	30		Assigned	Huntsville
TMD	GSU for BDE Support	0		Released	Houston
TMD	GSU for BDE Support	34		Assigned	Austin
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Pierce
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Houston
TMD	Engineering Assistance	28		Assigned	Austin
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Lubbock
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Tyler
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Abilene
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	El Paso
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Austin

TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	San Antonio
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	McAllen
TMD	LNO FST	4		Assigned	Houston (Virtual)
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Conroe
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Bryan
TMD	Traffic Control ECPT	0		Released	Huntsville
TMD	EMCC Staff Aug	5		Assigned	Arlington
TMD	NTFB Food Distribution	282		Assigned	Plano
TMD	GSU Set Up FMS	0		Released	Dallas
TMD	ABS MRP	24		Assigned	Austin
TMD	TDEM Warehouse Support	2		Assigned	San Antonio
TMD	PAX Making N95 Masks	94		Assigned	N Richland Hills
TMD	Military District Coordinator	2		Assigned	Del Rio
TMD	SOC Theater Support	2		Assigned	Austin
TMD	SOC Theater Support	7		Assigned	San Antonio TDEM
TMD	SOC Theater Support	64		Assigned	DFW
TMD	SOC Theater Support	64		Assigned	San Antonio
TMD	SOC Theater Support	64		Assigned	Houston
TMD	El Paso Food Distribution	105		Assigned	El Paso
TMD	South Texas Food Distribution	34		Assigned	Laredo
TMD	LNOFST	2		Assigned	Pierce
TMD	GSU	5		Assigned	Weslaco
TMD	East Texas Food Bank	34		Assigned	Tyler
TMD	Medical Support Team	4		Assigned	Austin/SOC
TMD	TMD Medical Support	17		Assigned	Camp Swift
TMD	CBTS Test	20		Assigned	Butler Stadium - Houston
TMD	CBTS Test	20		Assigned	Delmar - Houston
TMD	TDEM Commodities	61		Assigned	San Antonio
TMD	CBRAC Logs	4		Assigned	San Antonio
TMD	RGV Food Bank	25		Assigned	Pharr
TMD	DSHS TMD Support	2		Assigned	Austin
TMD	Harris County Food Bank	200		Assigned	Harris County

TMD	Tarrant County Food Bank	90		Assigned	Tarrant County
TMD	TMD Medical Testing MRP	1,231		Assigned	Various
TMD	TMD Building Rack Shelves	35		Assigned	Austin
TMD	TMD Logs SMOC	1		Assigned	Austin ALT SOC
TMD	Walgreens Test Site	6		Assigned	Houston
TMD	Food Bank San Antonio	6		Assigned	San Antonio
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Laredo
TMD	TMD Inspection Team	8		Assigned	San Antonio
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Lufkin
TPWD	SOC Liaison	2	2	Assigned	Austin
TPWD	DDC 4B Liaison	1	1	Assigned	Garland
TPWD	Caldwell County EOC PIO	1	1	Assigned	Caldwell County
TPWD	Texas Game Wardens	20	20	Assigned	Statewide

### Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (VOADs)

**Feeding Texas:** Feeding Texas is a statewide network of food banks leading a unified effort to end hunger in Texas. Together with their 21-member food banks, they reach over 3 million Texans annually with food and resources and engage the state in the fight against hunger.

- Compared to March 2019, Texas food banks reported a 48% increase in pounds distributed.
- Due to this increase in distribution, food banks report that they have an average of 31% less inventory on hand than they did at this time last year.
- When asked the question, “Are you in danger of running out of food to the point where you would cease distribution to your community in the next 2-4 weeks?”
- Three Texas food banks responded YES.
- Compared to last year at this time, Texas food banks are reporting serving an average of 88% more clients.
- To put that into context, our larger food banks, such as the Houston Food Bank and the San Antonio Food Bank, serve approximately 250,000 households per month under normal circumstances.
- In addition, in the last 2 weeks, Texas food banks report having to turn people away at approximately 30% of their distributions (i.e., they bring enough food to serve 400 families, but 800 families show up).
- This is important, because anyone that is turned away from a distribution is not counted in the 88% increase in clients served, above. This speaks to an even greater need than food banks are able to currently fulfill.
- El Pasoans Fighting Hunger Food Bank in El Paso reported having distributed all their dry goods on hand.
- On average, Texas food banks are distributing disaster boxes that contain ~31 pounds of food per family. This equates to approximately 25 meals per box.

- Texas food banks report a 13% decrease in expected monetary donations and a 39% decrease in expected food donations.
- The decrease in food donations primarily comes from retailers that are struggling to keep their shelves stocked, and therefore do not have any excess to donate to food banks.
- Concho Valley Food Bank reported that Meals on Wheels in San Angelo has stopped delivering meals. They will be purchasing the meals and delivering as long as they can.
- Across the network, food banks report an average of 24% of partner agencies shutting down. At individual food banks, this ranges from 10 – 90%.
- When agencies close, food banks have to take over their work (usually with mobile distributions in those areas), which puts additional strain on financial and volunteer resources at the food banks.
- Across the Feeding Texas network, food banks report an average of an 71% decline in volunteers at their facilities.
- TDA is working on expediting some existing TEFAP/Trade Mitigation/Bonus Buy orders (i.e., moving orders up from May to April or June to May, etc.).
  - While this may be useful for some food banks, these orders were already in the pipeline to meet EXISTING need in their communities (pre-COVID-19).
  - The expediting of orders does nothing to meet any additional need due to COVID-19, and would mean that the food banks would have less resources in June, once these are depleted.
- Additional TEFAP purchases from the Families First and CARE Acts are not expected to arrive at food banks until July, at the earliest.
- Aside from the possibility of transitioning USDA commodities from school districts (NSLP) to food banks (TEFAP), no additional USDA commodities will come to food banks to help them meet the increased need in April – June.
- The Administration has not given States the authority to operate a Disaster-SNAP program, which would loosen income eligibility standards.
- Regular SNAP is available, as it always is. However:
  - Only 2/3 of eligible Texans typically enroll in the program, for a variety of reasons.
  - 40% of food insecure individuals in Texas do not qualify for SNAP.
  - Half of the households that visit food banks do receive SNAP benefits but turn to food banks for help when their benefits run out.
  - As its name suggests, SNAP is a supplemental nutrition assistance program, and it is not intended to meet a family's entire food budget.
  - Due to the economic impacts of COVID-19, food banks expect to see more families in need of food assistance, regardless of whether they able to get SNAP benefits.
- More than 9,500 volunteers have provided over 33,009 volunteer man hours.

### **Mission Information and Details**

All 21-member food banks are serving Texans affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Distribution numbers from 14 food banks around the state is listed below. The remaining food banks data will be added as it is reported.

<b>Food Bank</b>	<b>Prepared Meals</b>	<b>Pounds of Water Distributed</b>	<b>Pounds of Food Distributed</b>	<b>Non-food Items Distributed</b>
Brazos Valley Food Bank (Bryan)			461,035	1,500



<b>Food Bank</b>	<b>Prepared Meals</b>	<b>Pounds of Water Distributed</b>	<b>Pounds of Food Distributed</b>	<b>Non-food Items Distributed</b>
Central Texas Food Bank (Austin)		25,735	1,223,766	
Coastal Bend Food Bank (Corpus Christi)		7,056	804,203	
Concho Valley Regional Food Bank (San Angelo)			188,373	
East Texas Food Bank (Tyler)			724,407	
Food Bank of West Central Texas (Abilene)	2,897		182,780	
Galveston County Food Bank (Texas City)			18,850	
High Plains Food Bank (Amarillo)	17,178		7,064	
Houston Food Bank (Houston)		174,406	2,267,632	6,618
North Texas Food Bank (Dallas)		41,999	4,964,923	83,130
South Texas Food Bank (Laredo)	15,222	34,594	2,553,364	
Southeast Texas Food Bank (Beaumont)			243,123	
Tarrant Area Food Bank (Ft. Worth)		58,867	2,072,329	
West Texas Food Bank (Odessa)		40,134	699,163	1,264
Wichita Falls Area Food Bank (Wichita Falls)	472	6,530	137,385	
<b>TOTAL REPORTED</b>	<b>35,769</b>	<b>389,321</b>	<b>16,548,397</b>	<b>92,512</b>

**The Salvation Army (TSA):** TSA is currently monitoring statewide operations at each Salvation Army local Corps and Shelter, providing guidance through Divisional Social Services for shelter operations. Most locations have increased shelter capacity and have gone to 24/7 operations due to the community need. Current feeding operations are local with grab and go type services, food box/pantry distribution. No statewide feeding plan is operational at this time. The Salvation Army has entered into an agreement with TDEM and The National Guard providing logistics to distribute PPE to various regions. [The Salvation Army Emotional & Spiritual Care hotline, has been up and running for 1 month. Anyone needing someone to talk to can call 1-844-458-HOPE \(4673\). Hours of operation are 9am EST to 1am EST.](#)

#### **County by County Services:**

**Angelina - Lufkin**

- Drive through Meals
- Partnered with TLL Temple, East Texas Food Bank, and several churches handing out food boxes. Served 1,700 food boxes. Also handed out packages of fresh chicken along with the food boxes, which was donated by Pilgrim's Pride.
- Working through local partnerships to secure grants in order to provide Utility and Rent assistance as well as Emergency Food Boxes.
- Zoom bible studies weekly, plus Facebook and online option for services.
- Working with Meals on Wheels for referrals of more than 200 people on a waiting list, and utilizing a collaboration with Heart to Heart Hospice to deliver food boxes to Seniors who are shut ins.
- Pastoral care and food boxes given to all Corps families and youth.

**Bell – Temple**

- Providing food boxes at EOC (152)
- Requested to provide seven additional beds to Veterans by VA.

**Bexar – San Antonio**

- San Antonio Canteen is feeding sack lunches and hot meals to homeless community
- New Braunfels Canteen is feeding the homeless in the community
- Providing Emotional & Spiritual care in the community as well as staff and families.
- Social services continue to deliver groceries to clients in most need
- Normal Social services are still provided using virtual interviews with clients.
- Shelter operational. Providing meals, ESC contacts and supplies daily.
- Providing sack lunch and warm dinner to homeless utilizing canteen.
- Providing the Permanent Supportive Housing clients a bag of groceries while maintaining social distance.
- Set up a pop-up tent in the back of Area Command to receive donations of goods from the general population.
- Boys & Girls Club - doing virtual club, feeding for kids, and serving club members at the shelter. Twenty-two kids in shelter are being helped with homework and fun play (simulate what is done in the club environment) from 1-3 PM each weekday. Parents need help with virtual school and supporting their children (using technology) so staff also provides that support. Kids are being served meals each day; looking to expand to also include families. Virtual Club includes club programs, smart moves, and passport to manhood.
- Delivering food boxes to Vulnerable population. (Seniors, those with no transportation or people that are not able to sit in long lines to receive food from the food bank)
- Started programs 3 times a day for our shelter family while they are encouraged to stay in.
- Computer lab available for kids to complete schoolwork.
- Weekends providing MRE's to the homeless
- Providing cloth mask to homeless during canteen feeding times
- Partnering with Walmart providing meals 2x daily at the testing site for workers only.

**Bowie – Texarkana**

- Prepared and delivered 300 sandwiches to quarantined people in the community
- Providing food box distribution as well as donation drop off.
- Providing to go meals to community homeless population

- Turned our Family Store into a drive thru Neighbor to Neighbor Food donation /distribution center.
- Providing Food boxes to about 300 families a week
- Providing sack lunches to HUD apartment complexes to youth and seniors

#### **Brazos – Bryan College Station**

- Partnering with the City of Bryan and six local restaurants to distribute 1,000 hot meals, served as a drive thru format.
- ESC Hotline has ran on every media (print, radio, tv) in BCS. It has now been picked up for a second wave of publicity.
- Weekly food distribution has moved to a drive thru format.

#### **Brown – Brownwood Service Center**

- Provide free lunch each day – adjusted to serve lunches to go. On average serving more than 150 meals per day
- Service Center reopened (after being temporarily closed for 14 days) on Monday (4/20) and resumed lunch service on Wednesday

#### **Collin - Plano**

- Boys & Girls Club – Activity Bag delivered to every club member each Monday Color Wars - Score Card full of activities and chores  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=odhH7SUIxOE&feature=youtu.be>

#### **Ector - Odessa**

- Provided Church in a Box to Corps families

#### **Ellis – Midlothian**

- Salvation Army Camp Hoblitzelle, sheltering 5-6 responders (no TSA Staff or Volunteers support needed)

#### **El Paso – El Paso**

- Partnering with TDEM/National Guard to provide logistics support for delivery of PPE to area hospitals, 24-hour standby.
- Partnering with El Paso Emergency Management, delivering breakfast, lunch and dinner to individuals quarantined in local hotels.
- As of 4/13 the City of El Paso set up a local center for quarantined homeless individuals – Salvation Army partnering with the Rescue Mission to provide breakfast, lunch and dinner every other day. 4/13, 86 individuals staying at this shelter with numbers expected to grow.
- Family Shelter remains open. Clients remain in facility practicing social distancing. Established area for Families with school aged children for ongoing studies with laptops from the school districts.
- Soup kitchen serving meals through canteen, to abide by the CDC guidelines and avoid any unnecessary contact. Rent and utility, food box assistance continuing.
- Multiple STAR requests are being processed.

#### **Gregg – Longview**

- Shelter 24-hour operation serving additional meals to clients.

- Soup kitchen providing To-Go meals 7 days a week for dinner.
- Food pantry grocery baskets including fresh produce donated by Sysco Systems due to restaurants not placing orders.
- Working with SWEPCO (electric company) to provide utility assistance through the Neighbor to Neighbor program.
- Worship services have moved fully online which has seen a 3000% increase in traffic to our Facebook page including viewers from Australia and England.

#### **Galveston – Galveston**

- Extended its shelter hours to 24 hours to better serve the needs of the community
- Feeding continues, however has been moved to 'drive thru' grab and go.
- Increased client assistance
- Emergency shelter is operating 24-hours and serving 3 meals a day.
- 40 community meals are being served from the canteen in the parking lot.
- Food boxes and rent/utility assistance is available for the public.

#### **Grayson – Sherman**

- Emergency Shelter is now open 24 hours to meet the needs of the community
- Providing meals and snacks for shelter clients
- Social services staff and volunteers are providing grocery distribution to those in need

#### **Harris – Houston Area Command**

- Houston Family Residence preparing 350 bag lunches daily for feeding homeless community from Canteen
- At the request of the City, opening up our Houston Harbor Lights facility for isolation and quarantine facility
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- TX HQ providing a laundry unit for the Harbor lights location
- Houston NW Corps – Providing Emotional & Spiritual Care
- Pasadena Corps – Providing Food Pantry and Food Boxes to in need residents in the community and providing hot meals to homeless population.
- Aldine Westfield Corps is providing Emotional & Spiritual Care via telephone
- International Corps is providing food pantry items to those in need
- Brown bag lunches (about 300 – 350 per day), water and hygiene kits in downtown.
- Working with the city on sheltering – Army to manage 145-bed shelter at a city rec hall for 2 weeks. During this time, the city will repair Harbor Light center to be used as shelter. We will provide staffing, costs covered by city. ARC will provide meals.
- Coordinating drive-through food delivery

#### **Harris - Pasadena**

- Providing Food Pantry, Food Kits and Food Boxes to Harris County Residents and Hot Lunch Meals to our Homeless Population.
- Meals on wheels daily food delivery for 85 home bound seniors, and 75 weekly boxes (meals for the week) for seniors in our community.
- Spiritual phone help, counseling.

- Fresh produce distribution once every two weeks for more than 400 families.
- FB live daily devotions and Sunday services

#### **Hidalgo – McAllen**

- Effective 3/23/20 Shelter operations have gone to 24/7
- Soup Kitchen providing 3 meals a day to shelter residents
- McAllen Canteen is providing grab and go meals in the community those in need.
- Providing Food Boxes, hygiene kits, and rental assistance through Social Services
- Needs are: Cleaning/Sanitation Supplies, paper goods, wipes and baby supplies
- Providing Emotional & Spiritual Care by phone.

#### **Hood – Granbury**

- Providing Emergency Financial assistance for Utilities and Shelter.

#### **Howard – Big Spring**

- BGC - Working to add Virtual Club Program for kids (Coming Soon)
- Possible Food Service for kids (Coming Soon)

#### **Jefferson – Beaumont**

- Providing and delivering food boxes and hygiene kits to community
- Continued feeding hot meals (dinner) to community through Shelter kitchen in to go containers
- Purchase and deliver groceries items to Boys & Girls Club parents as needed.
- Providing shelter/lodging, rent and utility assistance
- Collaborated with local Food Bank to help package senior boxes (450 boxes)
- Working to add Virtual Club Program for kids (Coming Soon)

#### **Kerr – Kerrville**

- BGC providing childcare BGC program experience for essential front-line workers (Begins April 20)

#### **Lamar – Paris**

- Providing rent and utility assistance, and food boxes for those who have been laid off or furloughed.
- Seen an increase of people and families at Soup Kitchen.

#### **Lubbock – Lubbock**

- Hope Totes – box filled with cleaning supplies, hygiene items and food delivered by RRU to vulnerable seniors and families with children
- Feeding lunch and dinner at the shelter via the canteen, grab and go service.
- Providing meals utilizing canteen stationed outside family services facility (closed dining room).
- Distributed about 21,000 lbs of goods via Hope Tote program. Delivered to homes initially, however, since last week, now distributing them via drive-thru distribution points. Added distribution in neighboring counties - Crosby, Lamb and Garza Counties.
- Received a \$75k grant from Community Foundation of West Texas and the United Way to provide rent and utility assistance to those impacted by COVID-19.

- Sheltering 110 people per night (our capacity)
- Participating in the delivery of PPE from TDEM/National Guard facilities to medical facilities in the area.
- Providing food vouchers (through a partnership with the South Plains Food Bank) to COVID-19-impacted people.
- Beginning an initiative called Busy Bags, where we distribute activity bags to families with children out of school and/or childcare.
- In conversations and will be contracting with local restaurants to provide meals for the people we're feeding.
- Planning to deploy a mobile social services unit (RRU set up as a mobile social services office) to outlying counties to provide on-site rent and utility assistance to people who can't make it to Lubbock to apply for assistance.

#### **McLennan – Waco**

- Shelter operations have been extended to 24/7 due to increased need in the community
- Social Services continues to operate providing meals 7 days a week and food pantry items, grab and go service.
- Providing emergency sheltering and meals.
- Extended hours to include a day shelter for the homeless (making us 24/7 operation), serving Saturday lunches off the canteen – new service, providing 180 lunches each Saturday.
- Working with City on “isolation” plan for homeless who test positive, which may include Corps, but more likely includes feeding at alternate location.
- Made 50 cloth masks and provided them to Booth Gardens residents, staff, and soldiers.

#### **McCulloch – Brady Service Unit**

- Providing food curbside Monday - Thursday and do deliveries on Friday. Partnering with local food bank and several local agencies and businesses. Tow truck company picked up the food for them! Providing food, water and some supplies, doing welfare check-ins. We have a quickly growing volunteer base and our volunteer coordinator keeps us within guidelines to be safe on how many to serve at a time.
- [Canteen remains on schedule as churches continue to partner with us.](#)

#### **Midland – Midland**

- Delivered packages which included Sunday school material, snacks, a little encouragement, family activity, toilet paper.
- [Passed out “Church in a box” to our corps family. Each box included: Easter Dinner > Ham, Rolls, Vegetables, Potatoes, Rice, Beans. Sunday School Material \(2 Wks.\) including coloring pages, War Cry and Southern Spirit. Magazine, Easter bags with pre-stuffed eggs containing candies and small toys,](#)
- [Sunday Service meetings are online. \(Zoom\)](#)
- [Handed out pre-packaged and untouched handkerchiefs and socks to local nursing homes.](#)
- [Continue providing food boxes, clothing vouchers and utility assistance](#)
- [Emergency shelter remains open with all recommended safety precautions being adhered.](#)

- Serving 3 daily meals, while abiding by the recommended CDC guidance on social distancing and sanitation.
- Thrift Store hours have been cut back 9am-3pm rather than 9am-5pm.
- Sanitation in all locations has been increased. Multiple times a day.

#### **Navarro – Corsicana**

- Delivered Hope Boxes to Corps Families
- Providing food boxes, hotel lodging, and other items (clothing, hygiene kits)
- Extended hours to better serve the needs in the community, while reclassifying some Family Store Staff to help. Open Daily 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM; Saturdays 10 AM-2 PM.
- Assisted the Health Department put together a food box and health box for a Family currently quarantined due to a COVID-19 Positive Family Member. We included War Cry Magazine's and Peer Magazine for the teens in the home.
- Visited and deliver care packages to medical personnel at the hospital.

#### **Orange – Orange**

- Providing increased social services and food distribution to those affected
- Providing groceries and hygiene kits through the food pantry
- Rent & Utility Assistance (as funds are available)
- Boys & Girls Club – Activity bag delivered to every club member each week along with a meal and snack for the day
- Providing ESC support to BGC members and families

#### **Potter – Amarillo**

- Relocated some high-risk shelter guests out of shelter into transitional housing, 15 apartments for 27 people. Worked with the City of Amarillo to furnish location from the Family Store. Staff and local police officers moved furniture.
- Coordinating with the City of Amarillo & Health Department to isolate, test, and quarantine homeless individuals as needed.
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- Providing food, toiletries, and comfort items to those in hotel quarantine rooms.

#### **Reagan – Big Lake Service Unit**

- Providing daily meals to essential personnel/volunteers in community (roughly 25 a day)

#### **Smith – Tyler**

- Operating at capacity of 200 people in shelter, providing 3 meals each day – drive up pick up. Home schooling 22 children in the shelter.  
<https://www.easttexasmatters.com/community/east-texas-live/the-salvation-army-is-seeking-help-as-they-come-to-the-aid-of-people-affected-by-the-covid-19-pandemic/>
- Providing To Go meals to the community
- Received donation of 14 pallets of chicken
- Promotion of ESC hotline  
<https://www.facebook.com/300220824639/posts/10158191451614640/>

#### **Travis – Austin**



- Downtown Shelter is currently being deep cleaned by a professional cleaning crew
- 109 shelter residents from the downtown shelter exited the shelter into a local hotel in coordination with the City of Austin
- Prior to the downtown shelter temporary close, The Salvation Army Austin EDS was providing meals to clients effected by COVID-19 at the downtown shelter
- ASWC has about 75 clients and the Rathgeber Center for Families has about 70 clients
- The downtown shelter will be opened ASAP once all precautions have taken place. Date TBD

#### **Victoria – Victoria**

- Sunday Services on FB Sunday's at 11 AM with as high as 350 thru views for services. This equates to about 10x what we have on any given Sunday in-house!
- Frequent calls/texts to members/soldiers
- Prayer notes to donors / care packages to hospital staff
- On the boards of COAD and VLTRG and attending and/or facilitating virtual board meetings as well as attending other open community COAD/VLTRG participating ZOOM meetings
- 3x Weekly ZOOM calls with city of Victoria and other agencies with discussion of event and services coordination
- Daily, frequent sanitizing of all facilities. Employees wearing masks and practicing social distancing as possible
- Shelter, 24/7 Operations at 70% capacity
- Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner for clients
- Soup Kitchen - Nightly meal for community in to-go boxes
- Isolation Area for those that feel sick until they can be transported to ER for testing and awaiting test results
- Social Services open 11 AM-4 PM providing utility, rent, prescription, transportation services to community
- Providing gloves and sanitizers as able to other non-profits
- Thrift Store temporarily closed

#### **Webb – Laredo**

- Feeding hot meals (breakfast/lunch) to community through Community Kitchen in to go containers.
- Providing rent and utility assistance.
- Emergency shelter is operating 24/7 and serving 3 meals a day.
- Providing boxes of food/groceries.

#### **Wichita – Wichita Falls**

- Extended monthly nights for the homeless.
- Helping community members with food Monday–Friday with hot pick up lunches and food boxes from food pantry.

#### **Young – Graham Service Unit**

- Provided one hotel stay on 3.27

#### **Collin, Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Tarrant – NTX Area Command (Dallas, Arlington, Garland, Irving, Lewisville, McKinney, Ft Worth, Oak Cliff, Plano, Waxahachie)**

- 13 NTX locations providing Food Pantry - <https://www.salvationarmydfw.org/p/about/covid-19-location-updates>
- Delivery of food boxes to shut-ins and senior citizens.
- All shelter and housing facilities operating at capacity = 1,300 people per week.
- Increased feeding at four shelters, 2 Adult Rehabilitation Centers, and 2 senior living facilities.
- Approx. 700 people per week provided homeless recovery service via programs at shelter and housing in the cities of Dallas, Fort Worth, Arlington, and Denton.
- Enhanced services at shelters where children are in residence to provide educational programming and activities, as well as resources for them to participate in school learning programs.

#### **Collin – McKinney**

- Fresh food give away and food boxes.

#### **Plano**

- Food pantry is currently drive through and is open Monday, Wednesday, & Friday's from 10Am to 2pm.
- Delivery of food boxes to the elderly and immune system compromised which are scheduled for Tuesday & Thursday's. By appointment only.
- Boys & Girls Club – Activity Bag delivered to every club member each Monday Color Wars - Score Card full of activities and chores. Working on a plan to add virtual club  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=odhH7SUIxOE&feature=youtu.be>

#### **Dallas – Garland**

Fresh food distribution every Monday 1:30 pm, Drive-up Food Box Distribution Monday-Friday (phone interviews by phone 9-12 Noon) pick up at 1:30-3:00 pm, Financial assistance Monday-Friday 1-4pm

- Partnering with local Emergency Management Team to deliver food and essentials to quarantined families
- Providing pastoral care and support in addition to live streaming weekly prayer time on Wednesdays, as well as Sunday service

#### **Oak Cliff**

- Partnering with the county to prepare and deliver lunch to seniors who typically attend the daily senior's program at the corps.

#### **Irving**

- Partnering with Papa Johns and other community restaurants to provide meals for Boys & Girls Club members and families, working on a plan to add virtual club

#### **Lewisville**

- Continuing to provide free lunch to the community every day – sack lunch instead of sit down meal.
- Continuing case management and meeting in the mobile kitchen – staff at the front, clients in the back to maintain distancing.
- Providing lunch to children via canteen covering 7 days a week.

- Online church services each week with soldiers contributing weekly to the worship content as well as several weekday programs.
- Pastoral care has been a priority with an average of 33 visits made to homes every two weeks to provide snacks, worship & prayer resources for adults and children, along with letters, texts and calls to soldiers.

#### **Ellis – Waxahachie**

- Food pantry 3 days a week, also providing rent and utility assistance.

#### **Tarrant – Arlington**

Youth Education Town – providing online and video opportunities

#### **Ft. Worth (Northside)**

- ESC with Corps and program members. Checking on program participants (daycare families, seniors, and corps families) and delivering food as needed.

**FINAL COMMENTS:** The State Operations Center (SOC) remains at Level II (Escalated Response Conditions). The Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) continues to monitor the situation and will provide additional situation reports as needed.

#### **The four levels of SOC activation are:**

- Level I (Emergency Conditions)
- Level II (Escalated Response Conditions)
- Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)
- Level IV (Normal Conditions)

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