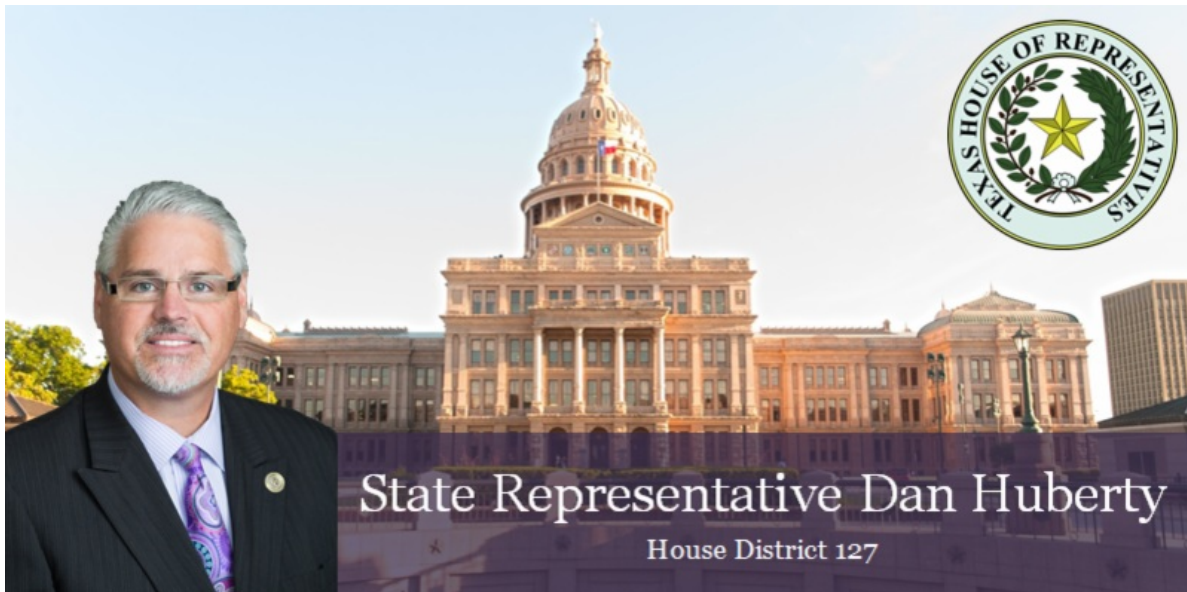


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February 23, 2018

Thank you for subscribing to my e-newsletter. This week marks six months since Hurricane Harvey made landfall on the Texas Gulf Coast. In this edition of the newsletter, you'll find various updates from FEMA about the recovery efforts from these last six months.

Upon reflection of the past six months, I am still so grateful for the momentous strides that have been accomplished by our Lake Houston area community. We still have a long way to go, but I am confident that we will reach full recovery soon. I've been hearing from you in both my District and Capitol offices expressing your concerns and ideas about recovery efforts. I take each one of them seriously, and I encourage you to keep them coming. I am already working on legislation for the upcoming 86th Legislature, so your input is extremely valuable for that process.

This past week, I was in Austin for the most recent Commission on Public School Finance meeting. We heard from various experts regarding early education and teacher compensation. It led to a lively discussion about the merits of prekindergarten, and House Bill 4 which established high-quality pre-K across the state. I was grateful to have authored and passed that legislation during the 84th Legislature, and I'm eager to have prekindergarten as part of the school finance discussion again.

If you'd like to watch the archived footage of any of the previous commission meetings, visit [tea.texas.gov/schoolfinancecommission](http://tea.texas.gov/schoolfinancecommission). You can also share any thoughts you may have with commission members by emailing [schoolfinancecommission@tea.texas.gov](mailto:schoolfinancecommission@tea.texas.gov). Each email is delivered straight to the members before each commission meeting. If you prefer, you can always contact me or my staff directly with your ideas as well. You can find our contact information below.

I hope that you and your family have a great weekend.

Sincerely,

Dan Huberty

## District 127 Updates

Early Voting: February 20 - March 2



MARK YOUR CALENDARS  
EARLY VOTING BEGINS: FEBRUARY 20  
**ELECTION DAY: MARCH 6**  
VISIT [HARRISVOTES.COM](http://HARRISVOTES.COM) FOR MORE INFO

### US 59 Bridge Construction - Expect Delays!



Beginning the end of February expect some major delays on US 59 going to Houston. During the construction period, southbound traffic will be diverted onto the northbound lanes.

**Our office will be releasing more information about this project as TxDOT finalizes the plans. Stay tuned!**

## Hurricane Harvey Recovery Resources

### Permanent Housing Checklist - Have a Plan!

For survivors of Hurricane Harvey, finding permanent housing can be a major task in their recovery process. Here's a checklist to help create a plan of action and make finding permanent housing a reality.

It includes recommendations:

1. Consider What Permanent Housing Means To You
2. Create a To-Do List
3. Find Reliable Helpers to Assist You
4. Contact a Case Manager
5. Create a Budget and Save Receipts
6. Document Important Information

[You can find more information in FEMA's detailed checklist here.](#)

# Hurricane Harvey - Six Months Later

## Update from FEMA



# FEMA

Six months since Hurricane Harvey battered the Lone Star State, Texans in coastal towns, urban areas, and rural counties continue to move forward with their unprecedented recovery.

Hundreds of thousands of homeowners are already repairing or rebuilding their hurricane damaged houses or have found new rental apartments or homes. Their recovery activity was fueled by billions of dollars in federal grants, U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) low-interest disaster loans, and flood insurance payments currently in their pockets.

Funding from other federal agencies, nonprofit agencies and private sector donations also contributed to the recovery efforts, in addition to federal funds for immediate social needs to include crisis counseling, disaster legal aid, reimbursement to food banks, and disaster unemployment.

Expectedly, there is still much to do, and many Texans are still navigating their way through disaster recovery steps, especially survivors still living temporarily in hotels, short-term apartment rentals, with friends and family, or in temporary housing in the form of mobile homes, travel trailers or leased apartments.

Some survivors with unmet needs, not covered by available financial resources will continue to require the support of local, state, federal, nonprofit, and private sector partners in the form of regular social services and innovative long-term recovery collaboration at the local level.

While survivors continue to recover from Harvey, it is important for everyone to keep in mind that Hurricane Season is only four months away, and Spring flooding in March is quickly approaching. There is no time like the present for survivors to know their risks and take preventative actions to protect their homes. For information on ways to prepare visit: <https://www.ready.gov/>.

For more information on Hurricane Harvey and Texas recovery, visit the Hurricane Harvey disaster web page [here](#), or Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/FEMAHarvey>, the FEMA Region 6 Twitter account at [twitter.com/FEMARegion6](https://twitter.com/FEMARegion6), or the Texas Division of Emergency Management website at [www.dps.texas.gov/dem/](http://www.dps.texas.gov/dem/).

## Hurricane Harvey - By the Numbers

**1:** It takes ONE team of partners at the local, state, federal level, and from nonprofit agencies, the private sector and the survivors themselves to recover from Hurricane Harvey.

**17:** Disaster Recovery Centers that remain open to support survivors.

**41:** Counties designated for Individual Assistance.

**53:** Counties designated for Public Assistance.

**103:** Public Assistance obligated projects to repair critical infrastructure.

**306:** Communities in Harvey impacted area participating in the National Flood Insurance Program.

**1,923:** Survivors in temporary disaster housing.

**8,661:** Households temporarily in FEMA-funded hotels.

**91,000:** Flood insurance claims.

**11,903,736:** Cubic yards of debris cleaned in Harvey impacted areas.

**\$19,976,306:** Funds dedicated to Disaster Unemployment Assistance.

**\$625,000,000:** Dollars obligated for Public Assistance projects.

**\$1,183,209,235:** Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Funds available for projects that lessen the impact of future disasters

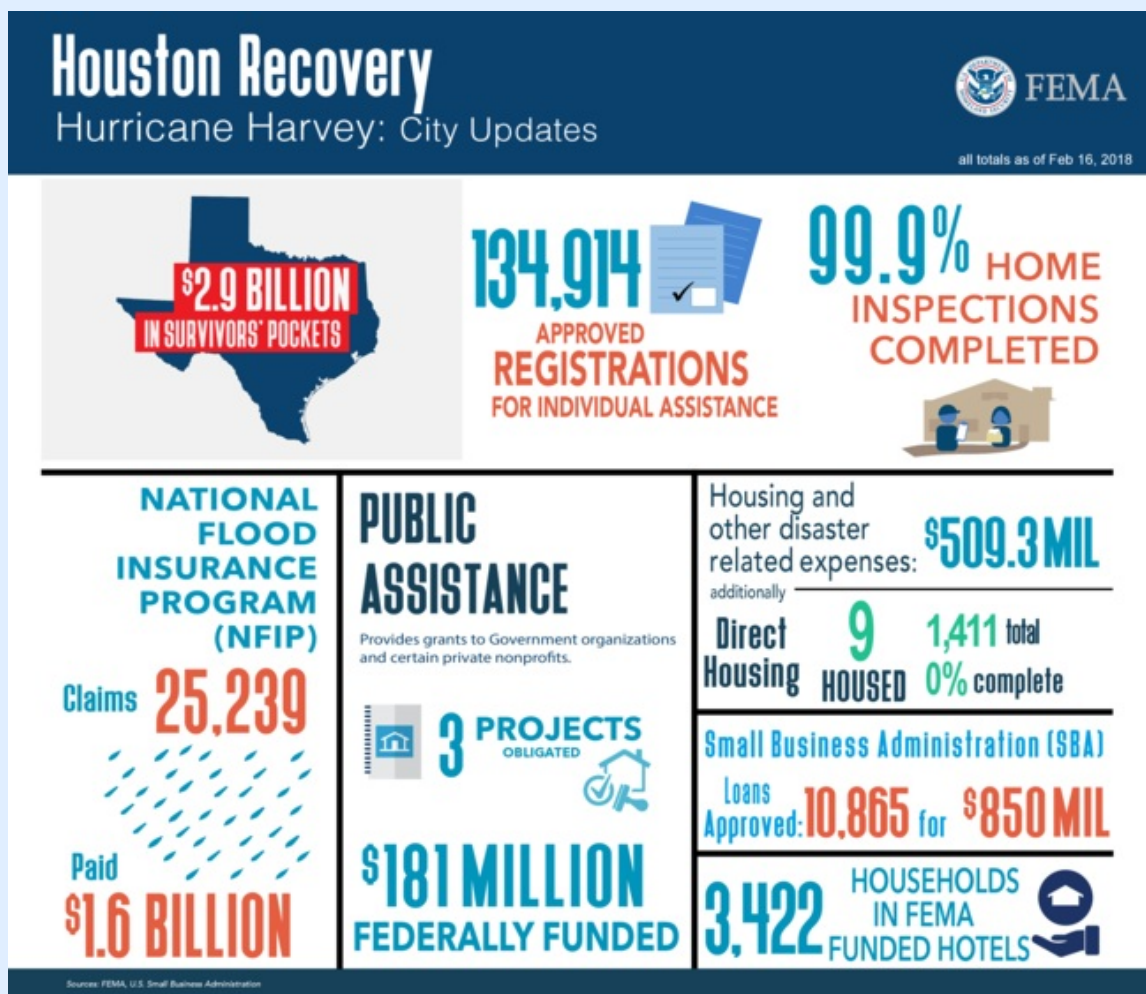
**\$1,557,571,583:** Grants for Housing and Other Disaster-related expenses paid to survivors.

**\$3,100,000,000:** Approved U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) low-interest loans

**\$8,300,000,000:** National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) payments.

**\$13,000,000,000:** Money in survivors' pockets from Federal and State grants, SBA low-interest disaster loans, and National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) payments.

## City of Houston Recovery - By the Numbers



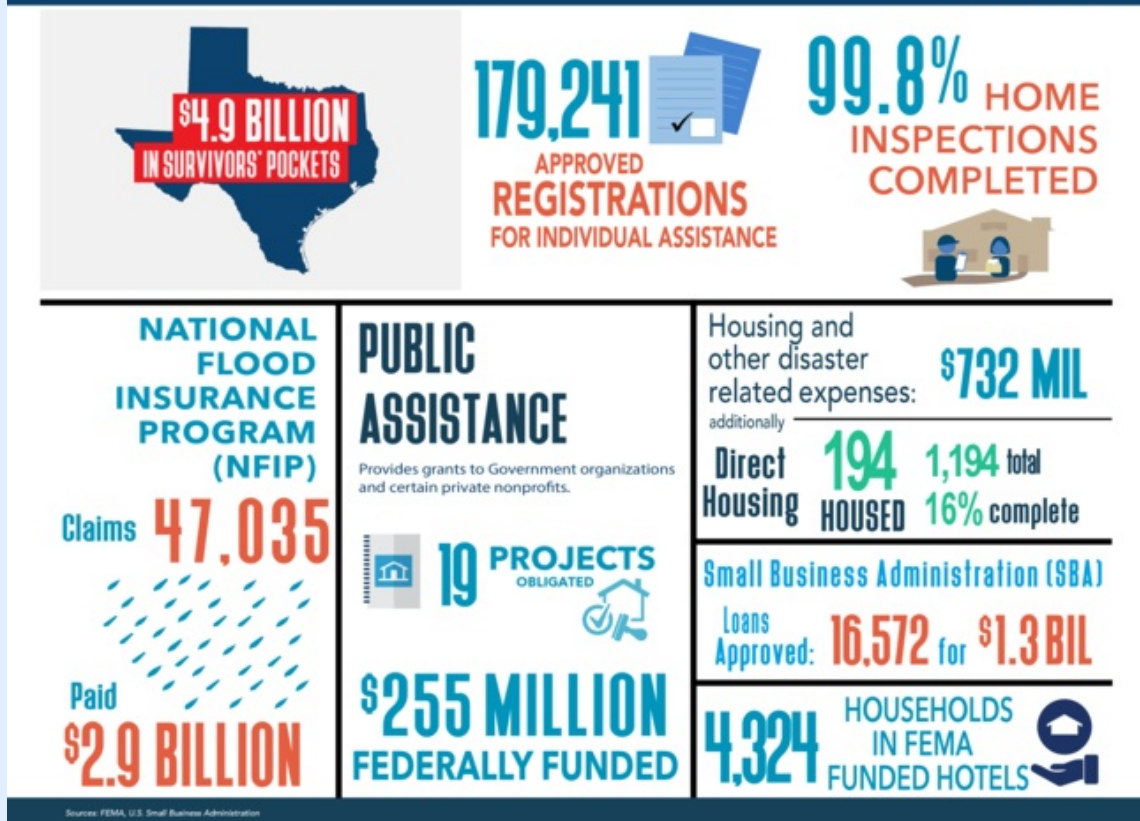
## Harris County Recovery - By the Numbers

# Harris County Recovery

Hurricane Harvey: County Updates



all totals as of Feb 16, 2018



## Constituent Resources

### Need Assistance?

Our office is always ready to assist you. Call or email us and we will do our best to help. Many State Agencies also have hotlines or citizen assistance offices to assist you. That contact information is available at this link, in alphabetical order:

<http://www.lrl.texas.gov/genInfo/stateAgencies.cfm>

## Live Updates

All of the relevant information our office has gathered in regard to response and recovery of Hurricane Harvey is posted immediately to our Facebook page. Be sure to "like" us so that you can have the most up-to-date information.



## Upcoming Events

February 2018

See an event you're interested in? Click the links on each date to learn more about the event's details. Under each link, you can find R.S.V.P. information, exact times, locations, and much more.

This color box indicates an event in Austin, Texas.

This color box indicates an event in the House District 127 area.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 <a href="#">KARW Mardi Gras Ball</a>  <a href="#">Humble ISD BBQ Cook-Off</a>	3 <a href="#">Humble ISD BBQ Cook-Off</a>
4	5 <a href="#">Last Day to Register to Vote</a>	6	7	8 <a href="#">Commission on Public School Finance Hearing</a>	9 <a href="#">Humble ISD Livestock Auction</a>  <a href="#">Humble ISD Rodeo</a>	10 <a href="#">Humble ISD Rodeo</a>
11	12 <b>Lincoln's Birthday</b>  <a href="#">HARTA Meeting</a>  <a href="#">Lake Houston Pachyderm Meeting</a>	13	14 <b>Ash Wednesday</b>  <b>Valentine's Day</b>	15	16	17 <a href="#">Lake Houston YMCA BridgeFest</a>
18	19 <b>President's Day</b>  <b>Iwo Jima Day</b>  <b>State of Texas Anniversary Remembrance Day</b>	20 <a href="#">Early Voting Begins</a>	21 <a href="#">Early Voting</a>	22 <b>Washington's Birthday</b>  <a href="#">Commission on Public School Finance Hearing</a>  <a href="#">Early Voting</a>	23 <a href="#">Early Voting</a>	24 <a href="#">Early Voting</a>
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