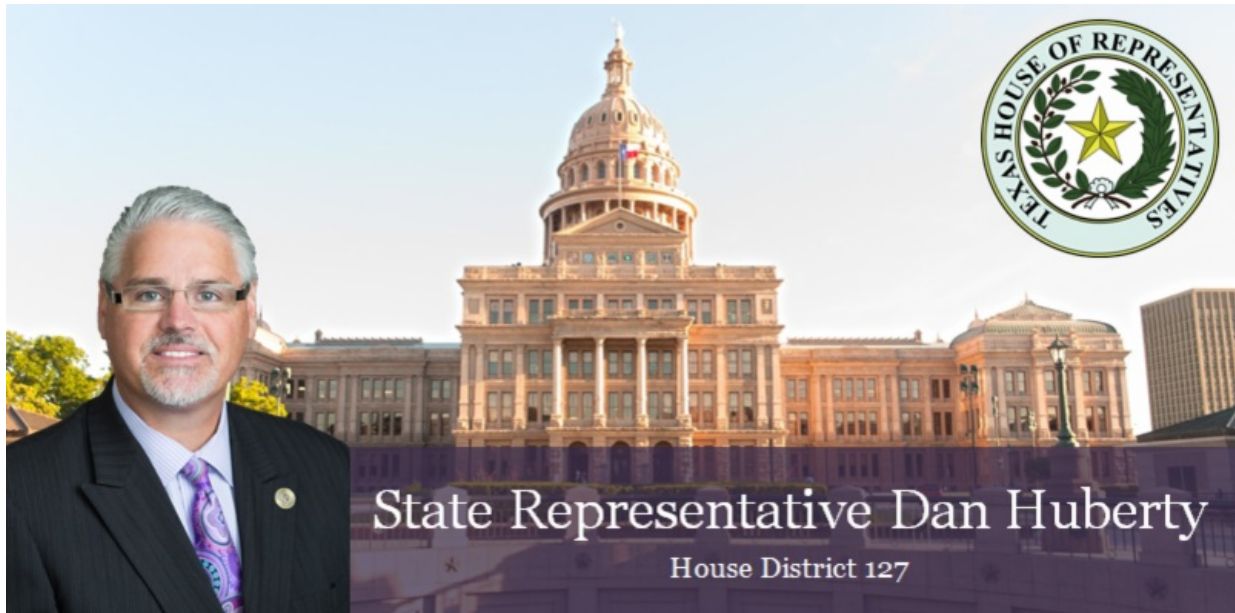


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March 2, 2018

Thank you for subscribing to my e-newsletter. This edition of my newsletter contains valuable information for you and your family to keep updated about the recovery efforts occurring in the Lake Houston area. In fact, this week, I met with Mayor Sylvester Turner, Council Member Dave Martin, and Senator Brandon Creighton to discuss options for immediate relief in HD 127. Together, we achieved a good first step in the remediation efforts. You can read more about that in the press release below.

Be sure to mark your calendars for March 6, 2018. I will be speaking at the Kingwood Community Center to discuss more in depth the achievements we've made for recovery, and projects for the future. You can find more information about it in our new calendar below.

Additionally, today is the last day for early voting. Tuesday is election day! Remember, you must vote at your own precinct on election day. Due to flooding, many of the regular polling locations in our area are temporarily relocated. Be sure to find your updated precinct location at <http://www.harrisvotes.com/>.

Please note that my Capitol Office will be closed the second and third full weeks in March for a remodeling project occurring in the Capitol extension. My staff will still be working in the Capitol, but will be relocated to the House Committee on Public Education's office. If you need any assistance with your visit to the Capitol during this time, please be sure to call 512-463-0520, and you will be redirected to their temporary phone line. This process may cause some delays, but they are always happy to assist you any way that they can. You can also reach them directly via email at the bottom of the newsletter.

Next week, I'll be in Austin for the upcoming commission on Public School Finance meeting. To view the agenda and proposed topics, you can visit tea.texas.gov/schoolfinancecommission. You can also share any thoughts you may have with commission members by emailing schoolfinancecommission@tea.texas.gov. Each email is delivered straight to the members before each commission meeting.

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

Sincerely,



District 127 Updates

Last Day For Early Voting TODAY -
Election Day Tuesday



Hurricane Harvey Recovery Resources

Significant Progress Made in Response to Immediate Needs of
Lake Houston Area



State Representative Dan Huberty, Houston City Council Member Dave Martin and State Senator Brandon Creighton met with City of Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner to follow up on previous discussions regarding the immediate needs of the Lake Houston area. Other key City of Houston officials participating in this meeting included: Carol Haddock, Director of Houston Public Works, Stephen Costello, Chief Resiliency Officer, and Bill Kelly, Government Relations. These discussions happened to coincide with the rain that occurred over this past weekend which further highlighted the urgency of needed remediation.

Agenda items for this meeting included the dredging of the San Jacinto River and Lake Houston, construction of additional gates at the Lake Houston Spillway Dam, calling for the City of Houston to release water from Lake Houston, and creation of a pre-release protocol during inclement weather for both Lake Houston and Lake Conroe.

In light of the recent rain received and presence of rain forecasted in Lake Houston over the next week, the first item addressed was lowering the level of Lake Houston. Representative Huberty, Council Member Martin, and Senator Creighton were adamant in their request to decrease the Lake level immediately. Upon hearing this grave concern, Mayor Turner ordered the Public Works Director to contact the Coastal Water Authority and begin to release water from Lake Houston as soon as possible.

Mayor Turner then listened to accounts from Representative Huberty, Council Member Martin, and Senator Creighton regarding the newly developed islands and sandbars within the River and Lake which now exacerbate flooding in the region. In response, Mayor Turner requested Costello to expedite the completion of a bathymetric and topographic study of both the River and Lake. Data provided from these studies will allow the City to package a siltation removal plan that will

assist in reducing the effects of future flooding. This data will be compiled as a request for funding and submitted to the Texas Water Development Board.

Additionally, Council Member Martin outlined a recent technical memorandum to Harris County Engineer, John Blount, regarding the feasibility of utilizing Lake Houston as a Flood Control Facility, which was presented as a transmittal during the February 13 Harris County Commissioner's Court Agenda. This memorandum proposed the addition of eight to ten new gates to the existing gated spillway at Lake Houston. These additional gates would allow increased discharge from Lake Houston reducing the impact of very large flood events. The cost of the new gates is estimated to be \$47 million. Mayor Turner tasked Costello with submitting a funding proposal to the Texas Water Development Board for the expedited construction of the additional gates in response to this agenda item.

Lastly, Representative Huberty, Council Member Martin, and Senator Creighton along with Mayor Turner agreed that further discussion is needed in order to create pre-release protocols for Lake Houston and Lake Conroe. It is important for the San Jacinto River and Coastal Water Authorities to work in tandem in an effort to maximize the effects of lowering lake levels in advance of storms.

Representative Huberty will be speaking at Council Member Martin's upcoming Town Hall Meeting on Tuesday, March 6, 2018, at 6 PM, at the Kingwood Community Center (4102 Rustic Woods, Kingwood, TX 77345). More details regarding the agenda items mentioned above will be provided at that time.

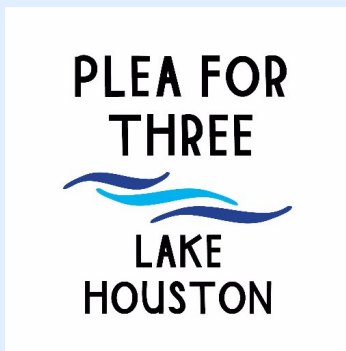
All Gates are Fully Open at Lake Houston



Chairman Huberty would like to thank Mayor Turner and the Coastal Water Authority for opening all gates at the Lake Houston Spillway Dam.

This week, both Tainter Gates and both Flashboard Gates were fully opened. A Tainter gate is a type of radial arm floodgate used in dam and canal locks to control water flow. A Flashboard gate is an overflow-type dam commonly used to control water level. Water flows over the top of the board and is released at a level below the top of the dam to another body of water. These four gates are the only adjustable controls currently available on the Dam structure.

Plea for Three Update



Thank ALL of you for your fervent support of the Plea For Three campaign. We have made great progress because of our community's resilience and passion.

We have wrapped up our Plea For Three Campaign and are hard at work on our next big step towards recovery.

OUR WORK IS NOT DONE! Even though the Plea For Three campaign resulted in meaningful progress for the Lake Houston area, the work ahead of us has only just begun. The feedback, ideas and support we've received from our area residents, businesses and elected officials has been amazing. Please stay engaged and stay tuned as much hard work still lies ahead for

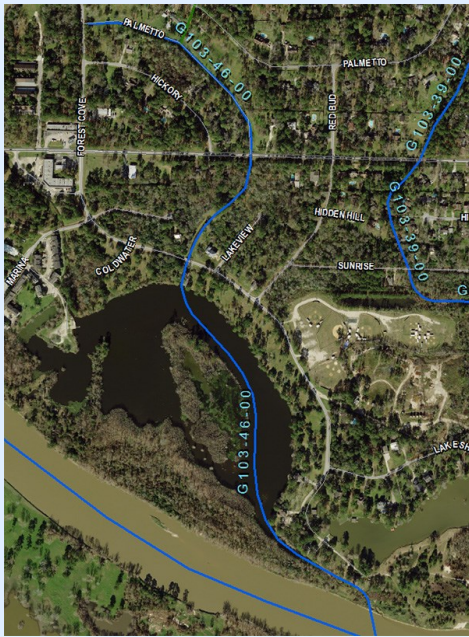
the Lake Houston Area.

[You can read updates on the Lake Houston Area Chamber of Commerce's Website.](#)

HCFD's Kingwood Information Page Now Live

The Harris County Flood Control District (HCFCD) has finalized the Kingwood Information page on its website. This thorough website had compiled all of the resources available for you to be able to follow along with the recovery efforts in the area. This website will be continually updated with information regarding mitigation projects, de-siltation of tributaries, and much more.

By clicking the pages below, you can explore the Lake Houston area and monitor progress yourself. You can find more information at <https://www.hcfcd.org/hurricane-harvey/kingwood-information/>.



Tributary Map of the San Jacinto River

Click on the map above to view photos of tributary G103-46-00, from Forest Cove Drive to its confluence with the San Jacinto River. Photos show the condition of the tributary.

[Read more](#)
www.hcfcd.org



HCFD Kingwood Area Drainage Assessment

Follow the link above to explore an interactive map that allows you to show the projects that have been identified or completed around the Kingwood area.

[Read more](#)
hcfcd.maps.arcgis.com

For the purpose of the above assessment, the Kingwood area is bounded by the county line on the north and west, US 59 on the west, West Fork of the San Jacinto River on the south, and East Fork of the San Jacinto River and Caney Creek on the east. Drainage for the Kingwood area is provided through more than 29 miles of tributary channels of the West and East Forks of the San Jacinto River.

Commission to Rebuild Texas Launches Recovery Tracker



Rebuild Texas Launches Recovery Tracker

The Governor's Commission to Rebuild Texas on Monday launched a new Recovery Tracker feature that provides information regarding the usage of funds related to the state's recovery from Hurricane Harvey. "As the state continues to receive federal...

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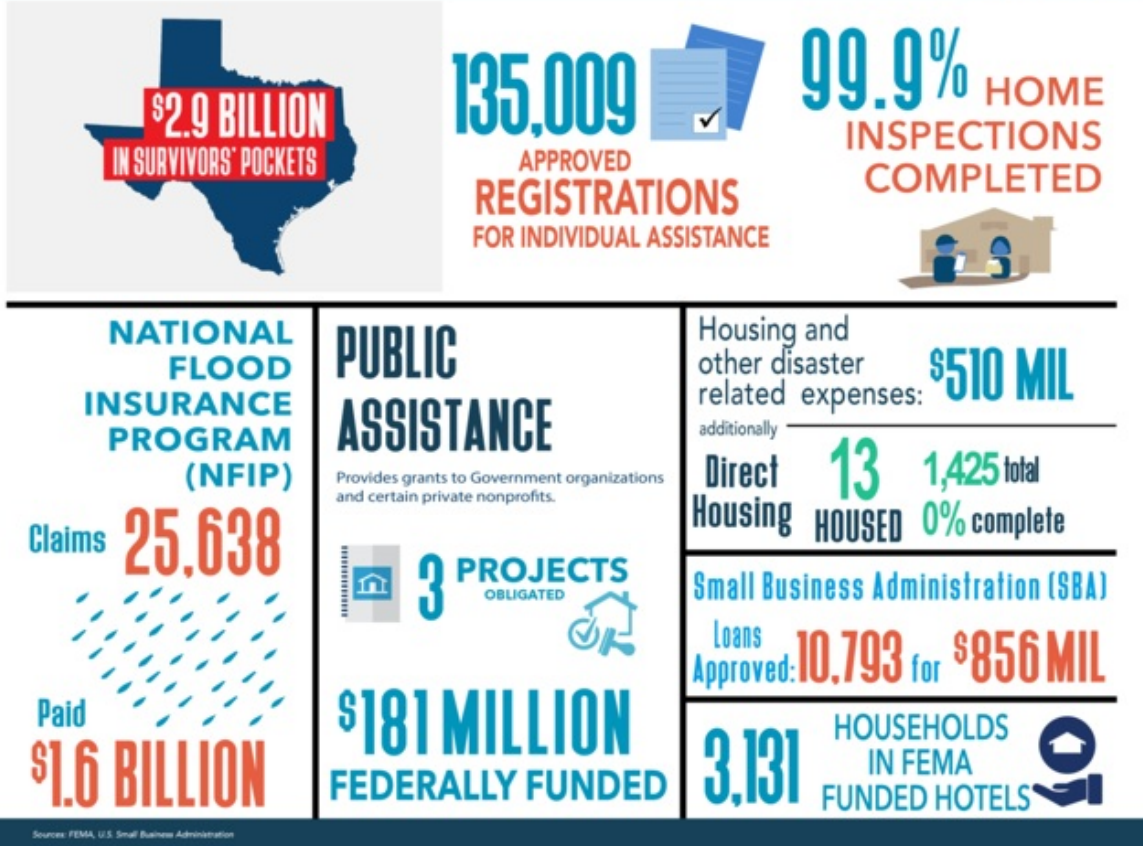
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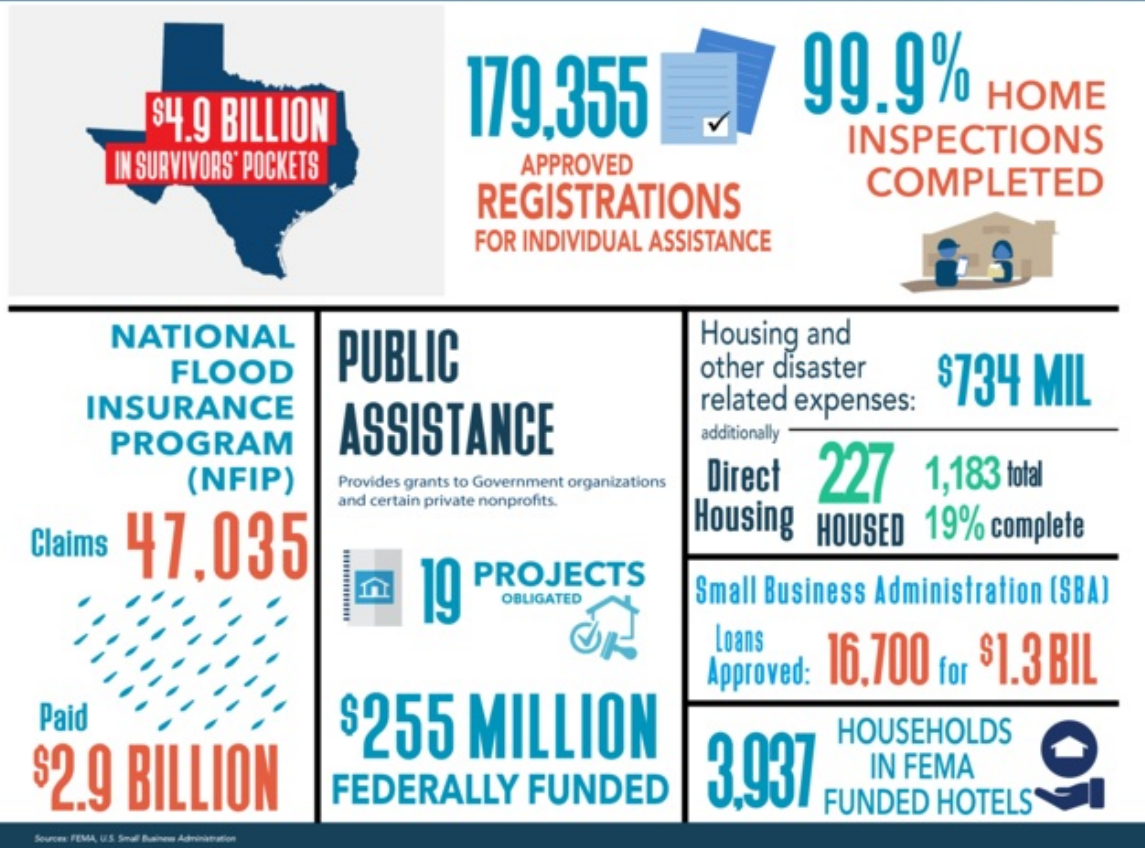
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Constituent Resources

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 fathered 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. Click the image below to find our page.

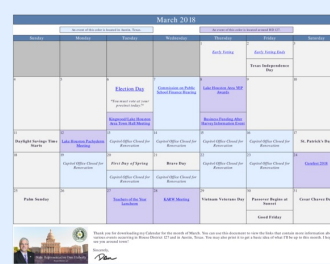


Upcoming Events

March 2018 - Now Downloadable!

Download my March 2018 calendar by clicking the link below. This month is full of events in and around Texas that

could fun or useful to you and your family! This new format allows you to save the document for printing or sending to your family members.



[Click Here to View and Download This Month's Calendar!](#)

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