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NEWSLETTER

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Friends,

This month our city was struck by Tropical Storm Imelda. Many residents are now in need of assistance due to damage caused by the storm. To help those with immediate housing need Mayor Turner and Judge Lina Hidalgo have announced the Imelda Assistance Fund.

National Night Out is October 1st. Join us for community events where neighbors and local law enforcement can meet.

Our district would be unrecognizable without our vibrant Hispanic community, and I truly value the positive impact of their presence. ¡Feliz Mes de la Herencia Hispana!

Wisdom High School unveiled a new community garden and a fantastic new mural.

The Greater Houston Police Activities League and Houston Parks and Recreation Department have teamed up to provide year-round Youth Sports Programming.

Coffee with a Cop will be October 2nd. This is an opportunity for officers in the neighborhood to sit down for coffee and conversation.

It is an honor to serve and represent you in the Texas Legislature. Please reach out to my office at any time.

Sincerely,



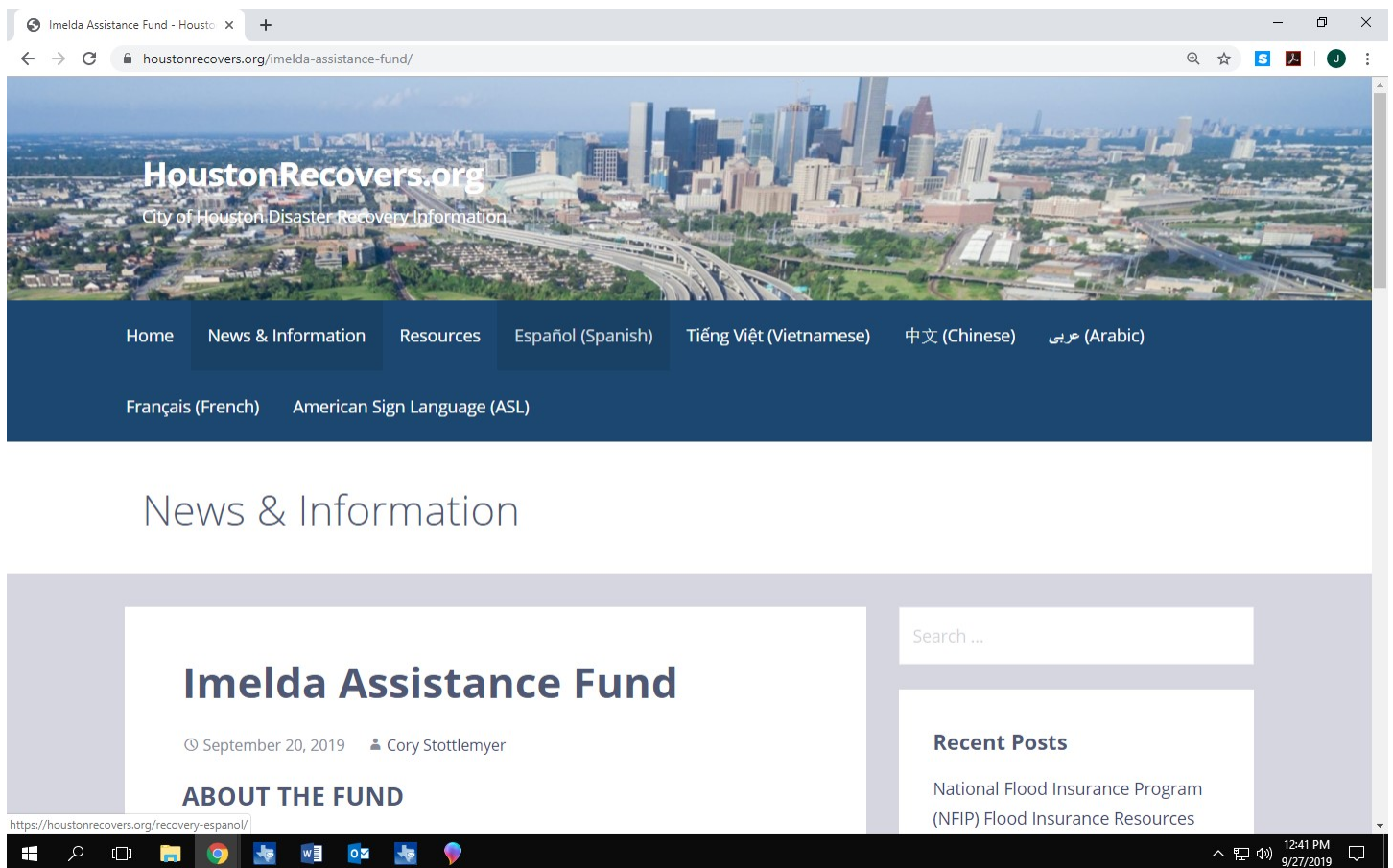
Gene with Mayor Turner and District J City Councilor Mike Laster at last year's National Night Out in Gulfton

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Imelda Assistance Fund

Mayor Sylvester Turner and Harris county Judge Linda Hidalgo have collaborated to create the Imelda Assistance Fund to help those with immediate housing needs. The effort between Mayor Turner and Judge Hidalgo is in cooperation with the Greater Houston Community Foundation, an organization with deep knowledge of the community and expertise in disaster relief charitable work. The fund enables vetted nonprofit organizations to deliver support to effected residents.

Residents with questions about Imelda recovery can also dial 311 in the City of Houston or 211 if they live in Harris County. Click on the picture below to be taken directly to HoustonRecovers.org



National Night Out



National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that aims to enhance the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement. It is celebrated all over the nation, including House District 137.

National Night Out events will be held for Gulfton residents at Burnet Bayland Park, located at 6000 Chimney Rock Rd., and for Sharpstown residents in the parking lot of Pizza Patron, located at 8450 Fondren Rd.

The Sharpstown High School Fine Arts Department will offer a performance at the Sharpstown event, and Mayor Turner and Police Chief Acevedo are expected to attend in Gulfton. Both events will begin at 5:30 and go until 8pm.

Let us know if you're also hosting an event - please contact jake.breault@house.texas.gov. We hope to see you there!

Hispanic Heritage Month

National Hispanic Heritage Month is observed September 15 through October 15. This is a month long celebration of the history, culture, and contributions of people with Hispanic heritage. September 15th is also significant because it marks the anniversary for independence of many Latin American Countries. In District 137, Hispanics comprise much of our vivacious community. It is important to recognize and honor their contributions to our district, state, and the United States as a whole.

¡Happy Hispanic Heritage Month!



Martin Bailey Garden Project

Vox Culture and the Rotary E-Club of Houston hosted the unveiling of the Martin Bailey Garden Project on September 7th at Wisdom High School. The mural was designed by a Houston-based artist and Wisdom High School alumni. The innovative garden uses green technology and provides a space in the school that can produce resources for students while providing an interactive educational area.



To add to the beauty of their new building, Wisdom HS adds a new community garden and mural for their students



Greater Houston Police Activities League

This **FREE** program will be offered this fall. Young people, ages 9-17, will learn new sports skills in flag football, basketball, baseball, and soccer while receiving mentoring in leadership development and healthy living by HPD and Houston Parks staff. This program and all equipment are **FREE**. Please click on the picture below to follow the link:

GREATER HOUSTON POLICE ACTIVITIES LEAGUE
HOUSTON PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

GHPAL
YOUTH SPORTS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
HPARD

REGISTER TODAY!

The Greater Houston Police Activities League (GHPAL) and the Houston Parks and Recreation Department (HPARD) are teaming up to provide year-round Youth Sports Programming in 13 neighborhood parks!

Young people, ages 9 - 17, will learn new sports skills in flag football, basketball, baseball and soccer while receiving mentoring in leadership development and healthy living by GHPAL and HPARD staff!

This program and all equipment are FREE. For more information contact:

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Information: www.houstontx.gov/police/vip/ghpal.htm
Register online: <https://apm.activecommunities.com/houstonparks/Home>

Coffee With a Cop



JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS AND OFFICERS FOR COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

No agenda or speeches, just a chance to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know the officers in your neighborhood

Houston Police Department



Come join Houston Police Department at McDonalds on Bellaire Blvd. near Chimney Rock for a candid conversation with law enforcement. This is a great opportunity to get to know the officers serving in our district!