



Texas Division of Emergency Management State Situation Report

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Event Name	20-0003 COVID-19 2020
Date	April 23, 2020
Time	0900
Operational Period	April 22 to April 23, 2020
Report Number	35

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

Current Situation:

Texas People Tested

Total	216,783
Public Labs	9,642
Private Labs	207,141

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

Texas COVID-19 Cases (1)

Total Statewide Cases	21,069
Texas Counties	200
Deaths	543

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.

With physical campuses closed or under limited operation, this waiver will help students who normally rely on the TCWS program to receive other forms of financial assistance they may need to continue their education.

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 22, Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton applauded the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit for ordering a stay that blocks a lower court order sharply limiting state officials' ability to respond to the rapidly developing COVID-19 pandemic in Texas prisons and across the State. The district court's injunction imposed limits on the transfer of inmates, required unrestricted access to face masks, hand sanitizer and cleaning supplies for each inmate, and imposed a plan for testing every single inmate for COVID-19. The Fifth Circuit also expedited arguments in this case.

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. The Governor also announced that nearly 500,000 job openings are currently listed on WorkInTexas.com, a powerful online job matching and workforce solution system developed by the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC). This system provides fast access to a complete set of employment tools in one website where job seekers can browse job postings, find education and training, and complete resumes and state applications.

Job seekers can visit Texas Economic Development and Tourism's Texas Jobs page for links to all 28 local workforce development boards. The webpage also contains additional COVID-19 resources for employers and job seekers alike.

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 2,900 Guardsmen are serving in various capacities in response to this activation.

In accordance with guidance from DSHS Commissioner Dr. Hellerstedt, and to achieve the goals established by the President to reduce the spread of COVID-19, every person in Texas shall, except where necessary to provide or obtain essential services or reopened services, minimize social gatherings and minimize in-person contact with people who are not in the same household.

"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.

Other essential services may be added to this list with the approval of the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM). TDEM shall maintain an online list of essential services, as specified in this executive order and any approved additions. Requests for additions should be directed to TDEM at EssentialServices@tdem.texas.gov or by visiting 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](https://frontlinechildcare.texas.gov) 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](#).

Governor Abbott and Attorney General Paxton issued joint guidance regarding the effect of Executive Order GA 14 on religious services conducted in congregations and houses of worship.

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.

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.

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 the following on a statewide basis effective at noon on March 28, 2020:

Every person who enters the State of Texas as the final destination through an airport, from a point of origin or point of last departure in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, or the City of New Orleans, or in any other state or city as may be proclaimed hereafter, shall be subject to mandatory self-quarantine for a period of 14 days from the time of entry into Texas or the duration of the person's presence in Texas, whichever is shorter. Each person covered under this order to self-quarantine shall be responsible for all associated costs, including transportation, lodging, food, and medical care.

This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.

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.

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, 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.

County of Residence	Number of Cases	County of Residence	Number of Cases
Anderson County	14	Johnson County	47
Andrews County	19	Jones County	3
Angelina County	30	Karnes County	3
Aransas County	2	Kaufman County	51
Armstrong County	1	Kendall County	14
Atascosa County	14	Kerr County	4
Austin County	12	Kleberg County	7
Bandera County	4	Knox County	1
Bastrop County	51	La Salle County	1
Bee County	5	Lamar County	8
Bell County	145	Lamb County	2
Bexar County	1,080	Lampasas County	2
Blanco County	5	Lavaca County	4
Bosque County	3	Lee County	2
Bowie County	66	Leon County	5
Brazoria County	345	Liberty County	37
Brazos County	173	Limestone County	11
Brooks County	1	Live Oak County	5
Brown County	13	Llano County	3
Burleson County	10	Lubbock County	458
Burnet County	13	Lynn County	5
Caldwell County	8	Madison County	2
Calhoun County	22	Marion County	6
Callahan County	1	Martin County	2

County of Residence	Number of Cases	County of Residence	Number of Cases
Cameron County	310	Mason County	1
Camp County	6	Matagorda County	55
Carson County	1	Maverick County	15
Cass County	10	McCulloch County	3
Castro County	12	McLennan County	78
Chambers County	36	Medina County	17
Cherokee County	8	Midland County	65
Childress County	1	Milam County	12
Clay County	3	Mitchell County	1
Collin County	570	Montague County	6
Colorado County	9	Montgomery County	417
Comal County	45	Moore County	162
Comanche County	3	Morris County	5
Concho County	1	Motley County	1
Cooke County	4	Nacogdoches County	98
Coryell County	86	Navarro County	24
Crane County	2	Newton County	2
Crosby County	1	Nueces County	90
Dallam County	3	Oldham County	3
Dallas County	2,602	Orange County	59
Dawson County	14	Palo Pinto County	7
De Witt County	14	Panola County	49
Deaf Smith County	14	Parker County	21
Delta County	1	Parmer County	3
Denton County	619	Pecos County	5
Dickens County	1	Polk County	15
Dimmit County	1	Potter County	174
Donley County	24	Rains County	2
Duval County	1	Randall County	117
Eastland County	3	Red River County	1
Ector County	61	Roberts County	2
El Paso County	587	Robertson County	2
Ellis County	110	Rockwall County	48
Erath County	12	Rusk County	28
Falls County	1	Sabine County	1
Fannin County	12	San Augustine County	14
Fayette County	15	San Jacinto County	8
Floyd County	2	San Patricio County	9
Fort Bend County	808	Scurry County	2

County of Residence	Number of Cases	County of Residence	Number of Cases
Franklin County	1	Shelby County	69
Freestone County	3	Sherman County	9
Frio County	1	Smith County	124
Gaines County	2	Starr County	7
Galveston County	479	Stephens County	1
Gillespie County	1	Swisher County	6
Goliad County	6	Tarrant County	1,333
Gonzales County	3	Taylor County	164
Gray County	22	Terry County	10
Grayson County	19	Titus County	12
Gregg County	53	Tom Green County	41
Grimes County	10	Travis County	1,233
Guadalupe County	63	Trinity County	7
Hale County	16	Tyler County	6
Hamilton County	5	Upshur County	12
Hansford County	1	Uvalde County	6
Hardin County	89	Val Verde County	12
Harris County	5,143	Van Zandt County	13
Harrison County	59	Victoria County	96
Hartley County	1	Walker County	95
Hays County	140	Waller County	27
Hemphill County	1	Washington County	71
Henderson County	19	Webb County	295
Hidalgo County	275	Wharton County	36
Hill County	12	Wheeler County	1
Hockley County	17	Wichita County	62
Hood County	15	Wilbarger County	1
Hopkins County	4	Willacy County	10
Houston County	1	Williamson County	158
Howard County	1	Wilson County	23
Hunt County	38	Winkler County	3
Hutchinson County	8	Wise County	13
Jack County	4	Wood County	6
Jackson County	6	Yoakum County	1
Jasper County	10	Young County	4
Jefferson County	209	Zapata County	7
Jim Wells County	2	Zavala County	1

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	115
Total Population Covered	26,345,350
Percent of Total Texas Population	89.506%

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
Jim Wells	27-Mar	28-Mar	41,562
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)

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.

Wise County: 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.

NCTTRAC updates

The NCTTRAC TSA-E MEDICAL COORDINATION CENTER (EMCC): The EMCC remains at full activation seven days a week. The EMCC continues to receive and disperse shipments of supplies from the Department of State Health Services and Texas Division of Emergency Management, and assists in the coordination of PPE logistics across the region. There is ongoing coordination with FEMA Region 6, DSHS, TDEM, City of Dallas, and US Naval Expeditionary Medical Unit to support the Federal Medical Station in Dallas.

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)

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)

The Rural MTT Mobile COVID-19 Collection Test Site will be traveling through the districts designated as priority by DSHS/Public Health Region beginning April 24. Additional locations will be added.

On April 21, 211 handled 432 calls. The top unmet needs were: food pantries, home delivered meals, low-cost for sale housing, mortgage payment assistance, and motel payment assistance. The top calls were: undesignated temporary financial assistance, COVID-19 control, electric payment assistance, food stamps/SNAP, and state unemployment insurance.

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service:

Anderson County: 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: Additional mandatory orders from Mayor Andy Mack as of April 7:

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.

Panola County: A test site at the First Baptist Church in the City of Carthage will be open on April 24 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

Rusk County: A test site at the First Baptist Church in the City of Henderson will be open on April 25 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

City of Tatum: The nutrition center has suspended Thursday lunches for at least two weeks. The Pecan Pie Festival scheduled for April 24 has been canceled.

City of Tyler: East Texas Food Bank – ETFB is providing free emergency food boxes (16 meals worth) April 3 at the drive-thru distribution site at the East Texas State Fairgrounds in Tyler. The City of Tyler will extend modified facility operations until Friday, May 1. All events City-operated or in a City facility have been suspended through May 1.

Physicians with The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler and UT Health East Texas are researching a potential treatment to help severely afflicted COVID-19 patients recover. Individuals with a history of COVID-19 can donate plasma but must first meet FDA requirements for this research and must be tested for safety. Once safe usage is confirmed, the blood then goes through a process to separate out blood cells, leaving the plasma with antibodies. Patients who have successfully recovered from COVID-19 are encouraged to contact Carter BloodCare for donation options.

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

April 21 211 handled 182 calls. Top needs requested at 211 were: Electric bill payment assistance, general dentistry, central intake/assessment for drug use disorders, food pantries, soup kitchens, gas service payment assistance, area agencies on aging, rent payment assistance, and housing authorities. The top unmet need was rental payment assistance.

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.

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)

Harris County: 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.

Acceptable coverings include “some form of face covering that covers the nose and mouth. The face covering may be a homemade mask, scarf, bandana, or handkerchief.” The Centers for Disease Control provides guidance on effective face coverings.

This is in addition to social distancing and personal hygiene guidelines already in place. Wearing a face covering is not a substitute for maintaining 6-foot social distancing and hand washing because these remain important steps to slowing the spread of the virus.

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.

Residents are asked not to use medical masks or N95 respirators as they are important resources for both medical workers and first responders. Harris County will not provide equipment for private employers or the public.

This order is enforceable by all law enforcement agencies in Harris County. Violators face up to a \$1,000 fine.

The full order, in PDF format, is attached to this message. It can also be downloaded at <https://www.readyharris.org/Stay-Home>.

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 , or over the phone. There will be no late fees nor disconnects during this time.

Galveston County: Galveston Health District announced it will open its free COVID-19 testing to anyone, regardless of symptoms, and expand its drive-through testing to Galveston.

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: On April 17: 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.

Walker County: April 09, Walker County Judge Ordered “Stay at Home Order.” All individuals currently living in Walker County, are ordered to Stay Home.

Waller County: City of Prairie View Mayor ordered “Stay at Home” for Prairie View 03/27/2020.

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*

Testing Screening Site(s): 1
*Matagorda Regional Medical Center
104 7th St,
Bay City, TX 77414*

City of East Bernard: There is a current Disaster Declaration expiring 30 MAY 2020.

City of El Campo: 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)

Star County: Starr County's Declaration for Disaster for Public Health Emergency that has been extended to May 18, 2020

Zapata County: The Shelter in Place Order has been extended to April 28, 2020. Both private and public boat ramps accessing Falcon Lake are allowed to remain open for launching only. Bank fishing will also be allowed. 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

The Los Ebanos Golf Course will be allowed to operate under their newly established COVID-19 rules and regulations.

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

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/>

Total Call Volume April 21: 134 calls with an average of 5.01 minutes

April 21: Top 5 call request for Coastal Bend region:

- Electric Service Payment Assistance
- Rent Payment Assistance
- Food Stamps/SNAP Applications
- Undesignated Temporary Financial Assistance
- Food Pantries

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 Live Oak County, City of George West, and City of Three Rivers was amended to continue until 11:59 PM on April 30.

Nueces County:

The "stay at home order" has been extended until April 30th.

The next drive thru testing will be Thursday April 23 at 8 AM, at the Old Memorial Hospital parking lot.

Port of Corpus Christi: Coordinated delivery of one drum of sanitizer to the City of Aransas Pass. Coordinated delivery of one drum of hand sanitizer to Corpus Christi Police Department. To date, 1,965 gallons of hand sanitizer have been distributed to area first responders, critical Port industry workers and hospitals as part of Operation Hand Sanitizer 1 & 2.

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

Hidalgo County: Drive-thru coronavirus testing will be available 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 are schedule to open a COVID-19 drive thru testing site on Monday, April 27 to serve the Delta Area.

Starting on April 27, the City of Elsa and Emergency Diagnostic Solutions will operate a drive-thru testing site in the Delta area.

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

Middle Rio Grande Development Council (MRGDC): As of April 21, Top Needs calls to 211 MRGDC were: rent payment assistance, electric service payment assistance, food pantries, food stamps/SNAP applications, and COVID-19 diagnostic tests. Referrals were made to the following resources: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance (SNAP), economic impact payments (Government stimulus), Social Services, Social and Financial Services, COVID-19 unemployment benefits information, and rental assistance.

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.

Dimmit County: On April 22, supplies were allocated by STRAC for primary care physicians and local doctors' offices for Dimmit County. Pick up scheduled for April 23 at Kelly Air Force Base in the City of San Antonio.

April 15 Executive Order (addition and extension) issued; Order extended for 30 days, Voluntary use of masks/face covering in public

Due to the successful distribution by the city/county food bank, arrangements are underway for the food bank to redistribute commodities.

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.

Uvalde County: On April 21, PPE Supplies, Level 2, were received at the SOC and are being routed for distribution for Uvalde Memorial Hospital: Isolation gowns, N95 masks, and hand sanitizer.

On April 8, US Military Forces, through the DDC, delivered 150 N95 masks and 1,000 gloves to Uvalde EOC.

An additional request, as per DC through STRAC/RMOC, to primary care physicians and doctors' offices has been sent to RMOC213Request.org for additional masks and face shields.

On April 21, Uvalde County received 2,500 N95 masks through purchase from a private vendor through monetary donation.

Zavala County: The Texas National Guard COVID-19 mobile testing team (MTT) has been scheduled for Zavala County on April 28 in Crystal City at Zavala County Nutrition Center.

Crystal City ISD will remain closed through the end of the 2019-2020 school year. Crystal City ISD will continue to serve students through their distance learning programs, and will mail out packets through the end of May.

Zavala County Emergency Management is monitoring and maintaining awareness for the COVID-19 coronavirus outbreak as it unfolds in the United States, the State of Texas, and their surrounding Counties.

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

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

Brewster County: On April 25, from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, a COVID-19 collection/testing site will be open at North Brewster County Emergency Response Center in the City of Alpine. On April

26, from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, a COVID-19 collection/testing site will be open at South Brewster County Emergency Response Center in the City of Terlingua.

Culberson County: On April 24, from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM, a COVID-19 collection/testing site will be open at City Hall/Convention Center in the City of Van Horn.

El Paso County:

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

Hudspeth County: On April 24, from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM, a COVID-19 collection/testing site will be open at Benito Martinez Elementary in the City of Ft. Hancock.

Presidio County: On April 25, from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, a COVID-19 collection/testing site will be open at Marfa Visitor Center in the City of Marfa. On April 26, from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, a COVID-19 collection/testing site will be open at City of Presidio EMS and Fire Station in the City of Presidio.

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

Andrews County: Andrews County issued a stay at home order effective April 4 until April 30.

DDC 10 – San Angelo (Includes: Coke, Concho, Crockett, Irion, Kimble, Mason, McCulloch, Menard, Reagan, Schleicher, Sterling, Sutton and Tom Green Counties)

Crockett County: Crockett County declared a County Disaster for a major wild fire.

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)

Lubbock County: City of Lubbock has new drive-through test sites opening. Beginning April 24, Walmart at 11415 Quaker Avenue, and beginning April 29, the Patterson Library. City of Lubbock testing capacity is expected to increase based on additional testing sites as well as Covenant Hospital making rapid tests available.

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)

Rural testing by the Texas Military Department (TMD) is scheduled to commence in Eastland County on Friday April 24, Runnels County on Saturday April 25, and Jones County on Sunday April 26, with others to be scheduled soon.

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

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

DDC 11 – Waco (Includes: Bosque, Falls, Freestone, Hill, Limestone and McLennan Counties)
The shortage of medical PPE supplies is the most critical unresolved issue.

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

The City of Austin and Travis County are extended their “Stay Home – work Safe” orders until May 8th to take effect following the expiration of the first version on April 13, at 11:59 PM.

DDC 17 – Victoria (Includes Calhoun, Dewitt, Goliad, Gonzales, Jackson, Lavaca and Victoria Counties)

The shortage of PPE continues to be the most critical unresolved issue for Healthcare and law enforcement.

RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS

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

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.

As directed by DSHS, SETRAC will lead the planning and coordination efforts for local CSSCCs that supplement Texas’ hospital capacity enabling hospitals to direct resources toward acute COVID-19 patient and non-COVID-19 patient emergency care.

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service (AgriLife): AgriLife activated one Regional Program Leader to assist TDEM DDC 6.

The agency is standing ready with personnel to support TDEM with activations of DDEOC’s across the state. [Strike Team members, county Extension Agents and vehicles are also on standby and are prepared to assist with rural Mobile Specimen Collection sites.](#)

Slide presentations and videos are being developed for use by county Extension agents to demonstrate handwashing and disinfecting. A resource video entitled “Scrub Up, Tune Up” has been posted for the public to view and Extension agents to utilize as a teaching tool for proper handwashing. These have been translated into Spanish for Spanish speaking clientele. A new power point on cleaning and household disinfecting in household settings has also been posted on the site for educational use by Extension Agents.

As of April 20, 8,316 masks have been distributed to persons at high risk of contracting COVID 19 through the AgriLife Extension statewide Face Mask project. Masks are being made by 4-H youth, Texas Extension Education and Healthy Texas volunteers.

Agricultural Communications is developing a flyer for Mobile Specimen Collection for distribution in rural counties where collections will occur.

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

Additional LNO for RSOC in place on April 20 to allow for staff rotation/down time and assist with SOC duties.

All 8 armories received shipments for the Mobile Rural Testing Team (MRTT) resupply mission. The San Antonio Armory also received 15 pallets of PPE as the initial PPE issue for the MRTT.

Texas A&M Forest Service (TFS): TFS currently has 59 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.

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>

Regional Activities:

On April 21, Public Health Regions (PHRs) reported 332 personnel working in the RHMOCs. All RHMOCs are at Full Activation.

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. The first two systems will reach Houston and San Antonio as early as April 22.

DSHS purchased materials for Texas Military Department (TMD) to install racking systems in the FEMA cold storage trailers to increase storage capacity.

DSHS Call Center Activities:

The Call Center received 12,940 calls and 7,921 emails to date. Over the past 24 hours, the Call Center received a total of 108 calls and 121 emails. The Call Center is operational 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM every day of the week.

As of March 14, 2-1-1 has been funneling calls to the DSHS Call Center. 2-1-1 reports receiving a total of 4,133 calls in the last 24 hours. Texas Poison Center Network received 720 COVID-19 calls as of April 20.

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.

On April 20, All State Parks reopened for day-use only, as part of a broader effort to begin reopening the state of Texas. Per Governor Abbott's direction, new restrictions in effect include requiring visitors to wear face coverings and maintain a six-foot distance from individuals outside of their party, and prohibiting the gathering of groups larger than five.

- **Unemployment Insurance:**

- Department of Labor official unemployment claims numbers: <https://www.dol.gov/sites/dolgov/files/OPA/newsreleases/ui-claims/20200592.pdf>
- TWC has 6 call centers open in Texas. 3 TWC call centers and 3 contracted call centers.
- TWC has expanded call center hours: 7A-7P and 7 days a week.
- UI Flow Chart: <https://twc.texas.gov/files/news/flowchart-ui-claims-large-twc.jpg>
- Self-employed: rolled out a new video to help self-employed individuals navigate UI process.
- UI claims by county are now being captured.
- Instructional videos: TWC is adding a string of instructional UI videos.
- New messaging going out regarding CARES Act.
- TWC has asked for those applying for unemployment benefits or needing help to stagger their calls/access time by the first number of the area code. <https://twc.texas.gov/twc-implement-staggered-access-unemployment-benefit-services-portal-ensure-more-texans-can-file-ui-claims>
- TWC has limiting those accessing the system to request payment to only access on the day listed on their filing instructions.
- Change in the UI base period went into effect 4/5 making some who were monetarily ineligible now eligible for regular unemployment.

TWC has also created an email list to provide updates directly to customers.

<https://www.twc.texas.gov/news/covid-19-resources-job-seekers>

“Official numbers” for UI were published this morning by DOL for all states.

<https://www.dol.gov/sites/dolgov/files/OPA/newsreleases/ui-claims/20200551.pdf>

TWC is working on rolling out one 3rd party tele center that is currently in training and has approximately 200 staff. A second 3rd party tele center is under contract processing and are expected to roll out next week with another 200-250 staff to assist UI.

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.

On April 17, DDC 4B Garland Command Staff began a one day per week schedule with the TPWD Liaison covering Mondays and Wednesdays.

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TPWD Law Enforcement has assigned personnel to the Caldwell County EOC as a PIO.

TPWD Game Wardens are answering the State Operations Centers call to assist DSHS with state vehicles to expedite delivery of PPE throughout the State of Texas via the state-wide shared spreadsheet.

TPWD continues to have personnel assigned to the SOC to serve as liaison officers between TPWD, TDEM and other Federal, State, and local partners.

Texas Game Wardens will continue to function and respond to calls and emergencies without delay following the CDC/TDH recommendation for law enforcement officers (Communicable Disease Checklist).

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
DPS-THP	Liaison	1		Assigned	SOC/Austin
DPS-THP	Personnel	4	4	Assigned	Dallas County
DPS-THP	Personnel	8	8	Assigned	Harris County
DPS-HSCO	GIS Specialist	1	1	Assigned	SOC/Austin

DPS-THP	HSOC GIS Specialist	1	1	Assigned	SOC/Austin
DPS THP	Troopers			Assigned	Statewide
DPS CID	Special Agents			Assigned	Statewide
DPS COMMS	Command Trailer		1	Assigned	Austin
DPS THP	Troopers (SNS Security)			Assigned	Dallas
DSHS	Ambulance Strike Team (AST)	4	2	Assigned	Denton State School
DSHS	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	AST	1		Stand By	NRG
DSHS	Registered Nurse Strike Team (RNST)	10		Assigned	Nacogdoches
DSHS	Fatality Management Trailer (FMT) (HPP)	3		Assigned	PHR 2/3, 4/5N, 7
DSHS	AST	2	1	Assigned	Abilene Convention Center
DSHS	MIST	1		Assigned	Abilene Convention Center
DSHS	AST	2	1	Assigned	San Antonio Riverview
DSHS	MIST	2		Assigned	EMTF4
DSHS	MIST	6		Assigned	EMTF8
DSHS	MIST	2		Assigned	EMTF11
DSHS	Epidemiologists	41		Assigned	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	SOC Liaisons	4		Assigned	Remote SOC - Austin

TEEX	Incident Support Team (IST)	9		Assigned	El Paso
TEEX	Incident Support Team (IST)	7		Assigned	Dallas
TEEX	Incident Support Team (IST)	9		Assigned	De Valle
TEEX	Incident Support Team (IST)	8		Assigned	Corpus Christi
TEEX	Incident Support Team (IST)	8		Assigned	Lubbock
TEEX	Incident Support Team (IST)	7		Assigned	Tyler
TEEX	Incident Support Team (IST)	7		Assigned	Houston
TEEX	Incident Support Team (IST)	7		Assigned	San Antonio
TEEX	CBTS Data Support	1		Assigned	
TEEX	CBTS Data Support	1		Assigned	
TEEX	CBTS Data Support	1		Assigned	
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TEEX	CBTS Data Support	1		Assigned	
TFS	ESB/ESF 4 Representative(s)	1		Assigned	SOC (Remote)
TFS	All Hazards planning Module (remote)	4		Assigned	DDC 4B & Remote
TFS	Type III Incident Management Team (IMT)	9		Assigned	Prestige Ameritech/ FMS
TFS	Planning Support	1		Assigned	DDC 3 (Remote)
TFS	Planning Support	1		Assigned	DDC 4A (Remote)
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	Operational Support	1		Assigned	DSHS Region 1 (On-site)
TFS	Liaison Officer	1		Assigned	DDC 7/Eastland Co. (Remote)
TFS	Logistical Support	33		Assigned	San Antonio
TTI	Traffic Counters	7		Assigned	TX/LA Border
TMD	SOC Military Desk	4		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	24		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	4		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	2		Assigned	Pierce
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Houston
TMD	Engineering Assistance	10		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	LNOFST	1		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	64		Assigned	N Richland Hills
TMD	Military District Coordinator	2		Assigned	Del Rio
TMD	Warehouse CMD	7		Assigned	San Antonio
TMD	ALT SOC Logs CMD	2		Assigned	Austin
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		Activated	Pharr

TMD	DSHS TMD Support	2		Assigned	Austin
TMD	Harris County Food Bank	200		Activated	Harris County
TMD	Tarrant County Food Bank	30		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		Activated	Austin ALT SOC
TMD	Walgreens Test Site	6		Assigned	Houston
TMD	Food Bank San Antonio	30		Assigned	San Antonio
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

Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (VOADs)

- 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.

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.

Food Bank	Prepared Meals	Pounds of Water Distributed	Pounds of Food Distributed	Non-food Items Distributed
Brazos Valley Food Bank (Bryan)			93,261	
Central Texas Food Bank (Austin)		19,120	925,494	
Coastal Bend Food Bank (Corpus Christi)			411,986	
Concho Valley Regional Food Bank (San Angelo)			163,909	
East Texas Food Bank (Tyler)			564,277	
Food Bank of West Central Texas (Abilene)	2,897		182,780	
Galveston County Food Bank (Texas City)			18,850	
High Plains Food Bank (Amarillo)	12,612		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)	11,922	26,170	1,637,471	
Southeast Texas Food Bank (Beaumont)			243,123	
Tarrant Area Food Bank (Ft. Worth)		43,987	1,736,845	
West Texas Food Bank (Odessa)		40,134	699,163	1,264
Wichita Falls Area Food Bank (Wichita Falls)		6,530	113,733	
TOTAL REPORTED	27,431	352,346	14,176,839	91,012

Salvation Army: The Salvation Army 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.](#)

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.

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.

Bowie – Texarkana

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

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
- Closed for 14 days starting April 15th.

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)

EI 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.

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

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.

Midland - Midland

- Delivered packages which included Sunday school material, snacks, a little encouragement, family activity, toilet paper.

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.
- 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.
- 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

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.
- **Arlington** Youth Education Town – providing online and video opportunities
- **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
- **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.
- **McKinney** - Fresh food give away and food boxes.
- **Ft Worth Northside** - ESC with Corps and program members. Checking on program participants (daycare families, seniors, and corps families) and delivering food as needed.
- **Oak Cliff** – Partnering with the county to prepare and deliver lunch to seniors who typically attend the daily senior's program at the corps.
- **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>
- **Waxahachie** – Food pantry 3 days a week, also providing rent and utility assistance.

Meals Served	84,399	Infant Supplies	764
Drinks/Snacks	100,701	Water (Cases/gallons)	3,520
Lodging Provided	20,298	Spiritual Contacts	2,240
Cleaning Kits/Supplies	298	Showers Provided	75,336
Hygiene Kits	4,769	PPE	10,368
Food Boxes	8,544	MRE's	720

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)

This Situation Report can be found on the TDEM webpage at: <https://tdem.texas.gov/situation-reports/>

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