



**Texas Division of Emergency Management  
State Situation Report**

**New Information Is In Blue Text**

<b>Event Name</b>	20-0003 COVID-19 2020
<b>Date</b>	<a href="#">June 4, 2020</a>
<b>Time</b>	0900
<b>Operational Period</b>	<a href="#">June 3 to June 4, 2020</a>
<b>Report Number</b>	<a href="#">77</a>

<b>Regions Affected</b>	
<b>Regions Affected</b>	1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6
<b>DDCs Active</b>	ALL DDCs are activated

**Current Situation:**

**Texas Testing Numbers**

<b>Total</b>	<a href="#">1,150,868</a>
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**Texas COVID-19 Cases**

<b>Total Statewide Cases</b>	<a href="#">68,271</a>
<b>Total Texas Counties</b>	232
<b>Total Deaths</b>	<a href="#">1,734</a>

Visit the [TDEM](#) and [DSHS](#) Testing Site Maps to find a facility near you.

On June 3, Governor Abbott announced the third phase of the State of Texas' plan to safely open the economy while containing the spread of COVID-19. Under Phase III, effective immediately, all businesses in Texas will be able to operate at up to 50% capacity, with very limited exceptions. Business that previously have been able to operate at 100% capacity may continue to do so, and most outdoor areas are not subject to capacity limits. All businesses and customers should continue to follow minimum standard health protocols laid out by the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS).

As with previous phases, the Phase III plan is based on the advice and support of the four doctors on the Strike Force to Open Texas medical team. Via Executive Order, Phase III begins immediately. A breakdown of Phase III can be found below.

Between May 26th and June 2nd, over 45% of new cases came from jails or prisons, meat packing plants and nursing homes. There are currently 1,487 Texans hospitalized due to COVID-19. There are 20,679 active cases in the state and 45,858 Texans are estimated to have

recovered.

Effective June 3:

All businesses currently operating at 25% capacity can expand their occupancy to 50% with certain exceptions.

Bars and similar establishments may increase their capacity to 50% as long as patrons are seated.

Amusement parks and carnivals in counties with less than 1,000 confirmed positive cases may open at 50% capacity.

Restaurants may expand their maximum table size from 6 to 10 persons.

Effective June 12:

Restaurants may expand their occupancy levels to 75%.

Counties with 10 or less active COVID-19 cases may expand their occupancy limits to 75%. Counties that fit this category but have not previously filed an attestation with DSHS will need to do so.

Effective June 19:

Amusement parks and carnivals in counties with more than 1,000 confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 may open at 50% capacity.

Additional Openings:

Special provisions have been made for outdoor gatherings, such as Fourth of July celebrations, but it is imperative that local officials and public health officials collaborate on safe standards. These provisions are included in the Governor's Executive Order and are also available on the Open Texas webpage.

Further Protocols:

All businesses should continue to follow the minimum standard health protocols from DSHS. For details and a full list of guidelines, openings, and relevant dates, visit <http://open.texas.gov>.

Reminders for those going out:

- Individuals are encouraged to wear appropriate face coverings.
- People should not be in groups greater than ten when possible.
- People over the age of 65 are encouraged to stay at home as much as possible.
- People are still asked to avoid nursing homes, state supported living centers, assisted living facilities, or long-term care facilities.

Beginning Friday, May 29, water parks can open but must limit their occupancy to 25% of normal operating limits. Components of these water parks that have video arcades must remain

closed. Starting Sunday, May 31, recreational sports programs for adults can resume, but games and similar competitions may not begin until June 15. Driver education programs can resume operations immediately.

On May 27, Governor Abbott held a press conference to provide an update on the COVID-19 surge response efforts in Amarillo. The Governor discussed the state's ongoing collaboration with local and federal leaders to address COVID-19 hot spots within the Amarillo area, and outlined the data on hospitalizations, testing, fatalities, and positivity rates that demonstrate the success of the surge response teams in containing and mitigating further spread of this virus.

On May 27, Governor Abbott and the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) announced \$3.6 million in funding for nursing facilities to purchase tablets, webcams, and headphones to connect residents with their loved ones during the COVID-19 pandemic. Texas is encouraging nursing facility providers to submit applications to HHSC to receive up to \$3,000 in federal funding per facility for purchasing communication technology devices.

On May 26, Governor Abbott issued a proclamation expanding additional services and activities that can open under Phase II of the state's plan to safely and strategically open. With this proclamation, water parks, recreational sport programs for adults, driver education programs, and food-court dining areas within shopping malls can begin operations with limited occupancy or regulations to protect the health and safety of Texans.

Minimum standard health protocols outlined by DSHS are recommended and located on the [Open Texas webpage](#).

On May 21, Governor Abbott issued an Executive Order (GA-24) terminating air travel restrictions related to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Governor's new order immediately terminates all restrictions contained in the Governor's previous Executive Order (GA-20) that mandated temporary quarantines for air travelers arriving from the following areas of the United States: California; Connecticut; New York; New Jersey; Washington; Atlanta, Georgia; Chicago, Illinois; Detroit, Michigan; or Miami, Florida.

On May 21, Governor Greg Abbott also directed HHSC to expand COVID-19 testing to all patients, residents, and staff at the 23 state-operated inpatient psychiatric hospitals and living centers throughout Texas.

On May 18, Governor Abbott issued Executive Order GA-23 which announced the second phase of the State of Texas' ongoing plan to safely and strategically open Texas while minimizing the spread of COVID-19. Under Phase II, restaurants may increase their occupancy to 50% and additional services and activities that remained closed under Phase I may open with restricted occupancy levels and minimum standard health protocols laid out by the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS).

Additionally, the Governor announced that public schools in Texas have the option to provide in-person summer school so long as they follow social distancing practices and health protocols laid out by DSHS. These classes may begin as soon as June 1st.

On May 16, Governor Abbott released a statement and detailed the ongoing containment plan for the COVID-19 outbreak in Amarillo that is reporting over 700 positive cases.

On May 15, Governor Abbott and the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) announced that local fire departments in Texas are partnering with local public health authorities to provide testing in nursing homes throughout the state.

On May 14, Governor Abbott announced HHSC has received more than \$3 million in federal funding to provide shelter and services to survivors of family and domestic violence during the COVID-19 pandemic. This federal funding will support the 78 HHSC-funded local family violence centers that provide survivors with immediate shelter, supportive services, and access to community-based programs. For more information, visit the Family Violence Program [webpage](#). Texas residents can dial 2-1-1 to learn about HHSC programs and services.

On May 13, Governor Abbott and TDEM announced that the federal government has extended seven community-based testing sites in Texas through June 30, 2020. These federally-supported, state-managed, and locally-executed sites include El Paso (1), Dallas (2), Houston (2), and Harris County (2).

Governor Abbott also announced that the Texas National Guard has activated Facilities Disinfection Teams to support Texans in nursing homes and to help limit the spread of COVID-19. These Facilities Disinfection Teams were formed in coordination with HHSC to provide a major boost to protecting Texans and limiting the spread of COVID-19.

On May 13, Governor Abbott waived license renewal late fees that accrued between March 13 and June 15, 2020 for occupational licenses issued by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR). This waiver applies to licenses associated with a variety of occupations such as barbers, cosmetologists, electricians, speech-language pathologists, and dyslexia therapists.

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

On May 12, Governor Abbott announced that HHSC has received approval from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to provide more than \$1 billion in food benefits through the federal Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) program to families with children who have temporarily lost access to free or discounted school meals due to COVID-19-related school closures.

P-EBT provides a one-time benefit of \$285 per child, which can be used in the same way as Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) food benefits to pay for groceries. P-EBT will be administered through a coordinated effort by the HHSC, the Texas Department of Agriculture, and Texas Education Agency.

Families with children aged 5 to 18 who received SNAP food benefits for the month of March, when school campuses first closed, will automatically receive P-EBT on their current Lone Star Card by May 22.

Families who have children certified for free or reduced-price meals during the 2019-20 school year but did not receive SNAP benefits for the month of March will need to apply. Families with children who received meals at no cost to them because their schools are defined as Community Eligibility Provision or Provision II schools also need to apply. Those families will receive a notification from their school district by May 31 which will include eligibility information and how to access the application. The application will be open from June 1 to June 30, and applications will be processed in the order they are received. After completing the application, eligible families will receive benefits on a new Texas P-EBT card in the mail. Visit [hhs.texas.gov/pebt](https://hhs.texas.gov/pebt) to learn more.

On May 11, Governor Abbott directed HHSC, TDEM, and DSHS to test 100% of residents and staff in Texas nursing homes. The Governor instructed HHSC, TDEM, and DSHS to develop and implement a plan based on the guidance of Vice President Mike Pence and Doctor Deborah Birx.

On May 8, Governor Abbott announced that TDEM has applied for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Category B (Emergency Protective Measures) assistance funding to provide financial support to Texas' network of food banks.

Beginning May 8, cosmetology salons, hair salons, barber shops, nail salons and shops, and other establishments where licensed cosmetologists or barbers practice their trade, may open, but all such salons, shops, and establishments must ensure at least six feet of social distancing between operating work stations. Tanning salons may also reopen under the same limitation. Also starting May 8, swimming pools may open subject to certain limitations, including on their occupancy or operating levels.

On May 7, Governor Abbott modified his executive orders related to COVID-19 to eliminate confinement as a punishment for violating these orders. These modifications are being applied retroactively.

On May 6, Governor Abbott announced that HHSC has received \$5.8 million in federal funding to provide crisis counseling services to Texans who have been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. The funding is provided by FEMA Immediate Services Crisis Counseling and Training Program.

For additional resources visit the [Mental Health & Substance Use Resources](#) web page. Texas residents can dial 2-1-1 to learn about programs and services.

Also on May 6, Governor Abbott and the OneStar Foundation announced the Texas COVID Relief Fund, which will provide critical funding and resources to organizations across the state working on the ground to support the economic recovery of local communities. For more information on the Texas COVID Relief Fund or to make a donation, visit the [OneStar Foundation website](#).

On May 5, Governor Greg Abbott held a press conference where he announced that he will be issuing an Executive Order to expand openings of certain businesses and activities. The Governor also announced new guidance from the Texas Education Agency (TEA) on graduation ceremonies and the creation of Surge Response Teams to combat any COVID-19 flare ups in Texas.

TEA Commissioner Morath also provided new guidance on class of 2020 graduation ceremonies for Texas school districts. The TEA is providing four different pathways for schools to celebrate their graduating seniors, and each district is at liberty to determine if any of these options best serve the needs and desires of their community:

- Completely virtual ceremonies that take place entirely online, with the use of videoconference or other technologies.
- Hybrid ceremonies, which consist of a compilation of videos of students being recognized in person as they celebrate graduation in small groups.
- Vehicle ceremonies, in which students and their families wait in their cars while other graduates are recognized one at a time with their families alongside them.
- Outdoor in-person ceremonies, which are currently permitted for counties as follows:
  - Between May 15 and May 31, an outdoor ceremony may take place in a rural county that has an attestation as described in the [Governor's Report to Open Texas](#) that remains in effect 7 days prior to the ceremony.
  - An outdoor ceremony may take place in any Texas county on or after June 1

On Monday, May 4, Governor Abbott deployed a Surge Response Team (SRT) to Amarillo consisting of Medical Incident Support Team (MIST) personnel from the Texas Emergency Medical Task Force (EMTF) and 70 members of the Texas National Guard.

On April 30, Governor Abbott announced that the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) has issued new guidance to unemployment claimants concerning their eligibility for unemployment benefits should they choose not to return to work at this time due to COVID-19.

On April 27, Governor Abbott announced the first phase of the State of Texas' ongoing plan to safely and strategically open Texas while minimizing the spread of COVID-19.

The Governor's announcement is accompanied by [Texans Helping Texans: The Governor's Report to Open Texas](#). This detailed report, available on the strike force website, helps Texans understand phase one by outlining the new protocols, guidance, and recommendations. The report also includes a series of Open Texas Checklists that outline DSHS' minimum standard health protocols for all Texans.

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

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

The Governor also established increased occupancy protocols for certain counties with five or fewer laboratory confirmed cases of COVID-19. Those counties may, on an individualized basis,

increase occupancy limits to up to 50% for restaurants, retail, shopping malls, museums and libraries, and movie theaters if they meet certain criteria.

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

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

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

View the Governor's Executive Orders issued:

- GA-18: Relating to the expanded reopening of services as part of the safe, strategic plan to Open Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster.
- GA-19: Relating to hospital capacity during the COVID-19 disaster.

On April 24, Governor Abbott announced that TDEM and DSHS have launched an online COVID-19 test collection map to help Texans locate test collection sites within their community.

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

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

On April 23, Governor Abbott announced that Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will provide a series of free online trainings to help local officials understand, acquire, and administer federal assistance available to the state of Texas and municipalities through the Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act and recently passed Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. The first online training, [Federal Relief: An overview for local governments](#), is available now.

On April 23, Governor Abbott announced that HHSC will receive nearly \$54 million in federal funds to support older Texans and people with disabilities during the COVID-19 response.

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.

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.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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 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.

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 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 (2) 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 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 6, Governor Abbott held a press conference to provide an update on PPE distribution throughout the state of Texas.

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 18.

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 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](http://www.cms.gov)) has approved the Section 1135 Medicaid Waiver submitted by 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

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 to private labs and performed by the commercial laboratories, you do not need to report using this spreadsheet.***

*Commercial laboratories:*

- A. LabCorp
- B. Bio Reference Laboratories
- C. Quest Diagnostics
- D. Mayo Clinic Laboratories and ARUP Laboratories.

**2. 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.

- A. Due date/time: The spreadsheet is due EVERY day at 4 PM CT.
- B. 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.
- C. Where to submit: Submit the spreadsheet via email to: [fema-hhs-coviddiagnostics-tf@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:fema-hhs-coviddiagnostics-tf@fema.dhs.gov).
- D. Data elements to report: Included in the attached spreadsheet with definitions.

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

### **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 NHSN 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](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 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 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 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 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.

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.

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

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

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.

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 DPS to temporarily waive expiration dates for Driver Licenses, Commercial Driver Licenses, and other identification forms.

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

Governor Abbott announced that he is temporarily suspending certain regulations to ensure that Texans will have continued access to their pharmacists as the state responds to COVID-19. The Governor also announced the launch of an online portal run by the Supply Chain Strike Force to streamline the process and validation of leads for more supplies. The portal, accessible through [www.texas.gov](http://www.texas.gov), will serve as an intake process for those wanting to provide valid leads on PPE and donations. The Governor also issued an Executive Order to better track both hospital bed capacity and COVID-19 test results across the state. The order also requires every public or private entity utilizing Federal Drug Administration (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 Center for Disease Control and Prevention (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.

DSHS is currently reporting an estimated [20,679](#) active cases of COVID-19 and an estimated [45,858](#) patients recovered.

County of Residence	Total Number of Cases	County of Residence	Total Number of Cases
Anderson	<a href="#">78</a>	Jim Hogg	4
Andrews	27	Jim Wells	<a href="#">12</a>
Angelina	<a href="#">232</a>	Johnson	176
Aransas	5	Jones	<a href="#">637</a>
Archer	1	Karnes	4
Armstrong	3	Kaufman	<a href="#">230</a>
Atascosa	37	Kendall	<a href="#">31</a>

County of Residence	Total Number of Cases	County of Residence	Total Number of Cases
Austin	27	Kerr	20
Bailey	19	Kimble	1
Bandera	6	Kinney	1
Bastrop	231	Kleberg	17
Bee	11	Knox	1
Bell	411	La Salle	4
Bexar	2,882	Lamar	151
Blanco	11	Lamb	16
Bosque	7	Lampasas	9
Bowie	287	Lavaca	14
Brazoria	941	Lee	25
Brazos	501	Leon	10
Brewster	1	Liberty	97
Briscoe	1	Limestone	27
Brooks	1	Lipscomb	3
Brown	59	Live Oak	9
Burleson	26	Llano	3
Burnet	45	Lubbock	706
Caldwell	73	Lynn	7
Calhoun	37	Madison	9
Callahan	9	Marion	16
Cameron	799	Martin	3
Camp	84	Mason	32
Carson	6	Matagorda	68
Cass	30	Maverick	120
Castro	33	McCulloch	3
Chambers	69	McLennan	121
Cherokee	47	Medina	74
Childress	2	Midland	137
Clay	4	Milam	29
Cochran	1	Mills	1
Coke	1	Mitchell	1
Coleman	4	Montague	9
Collin	1,346	Montgomery	1,010
Collingsworth	5	Moore	840
Colorado	23	Morris	25
Comal	108	Motley	1
Comanche	12	Nacogdoches	294
Concho	1	Navarro	58
Cooke	18	Newton	5
Coryell	289	Nolan	3

County of Residence	Total Number of Cases	County of Residence	Total Number of Cases
Cottle	4	Nueces	280
Crane	25	Ochiltree	50
Crosby	3	Oldham	4
Dallam	27	Orange	98
Dallas	10,719	Palo Pinto	13
Dawson	43	Panola	181
DeWitt	17	Parker	81
Deaf Smith	166	Parmer	69
Delta	2	Pecos	103
Denton	1,416	Polk	60
Dickens	1	Potter	2,432
Dimmit	1	Presidio	1
Donley	26	Rains	4
Duval	5	Randall	711
Eastland	7	Reagan	2
Ector	167	Red River	74
El Paso	2,872	Reeves	7
Ellis	332	Refugio	3
Erath	17	Roberts	2
Falls	9	Robertson	11
Fannin	41	Rockwall	171
Fayette	36	Runnels	2
Fisher	2	Rusk	57
Floyd	15	Sabine	15
Fort Bend	1,916	San Augustine	44
Franklin	17	San Jacinto	14
Freestone	10	San Patricio	36
Frio	37	San Saba	1
Gaines	7	Scurry	32
Galveston	857	Shackelford	1
Garza	6	Shelby	207
Gillespie	5	Sherman	27
Glasscock	1	Smith	212
Goliad	7	Starr	37
Gonzales	143	Stephens	4
Gray	100	Swisher	17
Grayson	350	Tarrant	5,623
Gregg	244	Taylor	241
Grimes	226	Terry	13
Guadalupe	135	Titus	481
Hale	60	Tom Green	70

County of Residence	Total Number of Cases	County of Residence	Total Number of Cases
Hall	2	Travis	3,433
Hamilton	8	Trinity	15
Hansford	20	Tyler	12
Hardeman	2	Upshur	28
Hardin	138	Uvalde	16
Harris	13,027	Val Verde	21
Harrison	250	Van Zandt	35
Hartley	12	Victoria	162
Haskell	3	Walker	1,730
Hays	371	Waller	63
Hemphill	1	Ward	1
Henderson	63	Washington	204
Hidalgo	610	Webb	552
Hill	24	Wharton	68
Hockley	27	Wheeler	15
Hood	27	Wichita	85
Hopkins	27	Wilbarger	7
Houston	127	Willacy	21
Howard	9	Williamson	636
Hudspeth	2	Wilson	41
Hunt	91	Winkler	3
Hutchinson	42	Wise	47
Irion	1	Wood	38
Jack	4	Yoakum	3
Jackson	19	Young	4
Jasper	29	Zapata	11
Jefferson	581	Zavala	12

DSHS will update the state case count each day by 3:30 PM Central Time.

**OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES:**

1. Protect life and property.
2. Protect vulnerable populations.
3. Support rapid & effective response.
4. Collect and disseminate accurate incident information to improve decision-making.
5. Accurately track incident costs associated with assigned resources for cost recovery.
6. Expand and maximize bed capacity.
7. Develop alternative care sites to support local governments and the health care systems.
8. Acquire supplies/equipment to support health care and testing.
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)

**Tarrant County:**

**City of Fort Worth:** 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.

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

**Dallas County:**

**City of Dallas:** A drive-thru testing site opened at the Wal-Mart off Webb Chapel on May 8. Hours of operation: Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7:00 AM to 9:00 AM. Those eligible for testing include frontline healthcare workers, citizens with symptoms, and high-risk groups without symptoms. Schedule an appointment at <https://doineedacovid19test.com>.

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

2-1-1 is open to the public 24/7 to answer questions about COVID-19 symptoms, and related resources are online at <http://www.211.org/services/covid19>. There are two additional ways to connect: people can text “211Help” to 484848, or visit [www.211texas.org](http://www.211texas.org) to web chat with a Community Resource Specialist. This is a local United Way initiative.

**Smith County:**

**City of Tyler:** The City’s phased re-open plan for services and facilities is active. A complete list of open/closed services is on the City website: <https://www.cityoftyler.org/>.

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

**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:**

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

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

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

**Val Verde County:**

**City of Del Rio:** City of Del Rio Extends Public Health Emergency until June 15. The declaration prohibits door-to-door sales and “swimming, wading or bathing” in the San Felipe Creek. It allows exercising in city parks only during certain hours. The extended declaration allows, “Walking, jogging, hiking and biking” in city parks from 6:00 AM to 10:00 AM and from 5:00 PM to 10:00 PM, adding an hour in the evening.

**Zavala County:** Due to an increase in COVID-19 Positive cases during the month of May County Judge Luna and the City Mayor, Frank Moreno Jr., both urged the citizens of Crystal City and the County to register for the Military Test Site specimen collections.

The public is being warned about the COVID-19 pandemic and being informed to follow CDC Guidelines, Governor’s Orders, and Zavala County’s Orders.

**RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS**

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

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

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

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

The agency deployed 13 Disaster Assessment and Recovery (DAR) Agents and 8 Central Leadership Team members as Incident Support Teams to support TEEX at the 8 RAC armories across Texas Two DAR agents are stationed at Weslaco and Midland to assist with PPE distribution for MTT’s and Nursing Home Testing. Eight disaster strike teams of Extension Agents have been activated to assist at the Panhandle, Coastal Bend, Border, CATRAC,

SETRAC, STRAC, Piney Woods and NCTTRAC RAC's to assist TDEM with medical supply delivery. Teams are collaborating with TEEX and the military to support distribution.

Pony Express Team members made the following deliveries/retrievals yesterday:

- 39 bundles or pallets prepared at Armories
- 22 PPE deliveries to medical offices
- 7 PPE deliveries to Skilled Nursing Facilities
- 10 Deliveries of equipment
- 53 Pick-ups or deliveries of test specimen kits
- 8 Coolers picked-up from Labs
- 8 Coolers transported to Armory or TDEM Warehouse
- 29 Pallets moved from Armory to RAC or HPP

Eight DAR agents received specimens at armories/airports from 43 MTT and Nursing Home collection sites after closing and transferred them to airports or reefer trucks to be taken to Austin for distribution to laboratories. Three agents delivered samples to UTRGV and UTSW laboratories. One agent delivered samples to DSHS for analysis.

STAR's were filled by TDEM for Personal Protective Equipment for AgriLife District Extension Centers, Campus Extension personnel and the Texas 4-H Center. 14 pallets of PPE were delivered to armories across the State on June 2. Strike Team members or District offices will pick up the pallets to take to District centers for distribution to County offices and Extension Specialists.

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One Strike Team (3 total personnel) has been assigned to assist Fayette County EOC with Contact Tracing starting on June 1.

AgriLife Extension has begun a Food Drive for County Food Pantries across the state utilizing our volunteer network of 4-H Clubs, Family and Community Education Clubs and Master Volunteers.

**Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX):** TEEX continues to coordinate operations from the SOC and the 8 IST Resource Staging Areas (RSA) throughout Texas in 10 distribution locations. TEEX currently has 55 personnel deployed and working to support ongoing response activities throughout the state in support of the COVID-19 response.

**Texas A&M Forest Service (TFS):** TFS currently has 122 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, COVID-19 Contact Tracing support, and nursing facility testing support.

**Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC):** The TAHC is activated to support the state response to the outbreak of COVID-19. While official guidance maintains that animals are of very low risk for contraction or transmission of COVID-19, the TAHC is working closely with animal response partners to manage consistent public information messaging for how to deal with animals in context of potential COVID-19 exposure. TAHC has activated virtually to the SOC, has initiated conference calls with ESF-11 partners and stakeholders, is supporting ESF-11 efforts to provide “credentialing” for essential agriculture workers during shelter-in-place ordinances, and has coordinated with DSHS for companion animal testing support. TAHC is receiving phone calls related to case consideration for testing animals for COVID-19: two animals have been approved for testing to date. Additional conversations are with national partners regarding support of the National Food Supply chain are ongoing.

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

**Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ):** TCEQ has created a link specific for COVID-19 on our public webpage.

<https://www.tceq.texas.gov/response/covid-19/tceq-preparedness-responsibilities-covid-19>

**Texas Commission on Fire Protection (TCFP):** The TCFP continues to support COVID-19 response through coordination of local fire departments in Texas. As our operation expands to meet the needs in the field, the TCFP is being recognized as the TIFMAS representative at the SOC. We continue to work with TDEM, TEEX, DSHS and MIST to provide testing in nursing homes throughout the state.

TIFMAS STATS for yesterday:

- Phone calls 17
- Emails: 7
- Data Entries: 56

The El Paso Regional Coordination Team were safe and worked remotely from their hotels yesterday due to area protests. TIFMAS has 40 missions left to close out.

**Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ):**

**Strike Team Status:**

- 12 Strike Teams consisting of 85 TDCJ staff from multiple divisions.
- 24 days deployed
- 7 Strike Teams are currently active, with 5 on standby for redeployment.

TDCJ Command Center – Strike Team Statistics			
	Tests Completed	Testing Target	Percent
Staff	17,236	25,544	67%
Offenders	66,519	106,458	62%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>83,755</b>	<b>132,002</b>	<b>63%</b>

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

TDLR extended their agency's current work from home initiative through June 30, 2020. Division directors have begun developing plans for some employees (up to 25% of the workforce) to return to the office. As plans are finalized, some divisions may be allowed to have some employees return to the office earlier than June 30.

License renewal fees are waived that accrued between March 15 and June 15, 2020 for occupational licenses issued by TDLR. This waiver applies to licenses associated with a variety of occupations, such as barbers, cosmetologists, electricians, speech-language pathologists, and dyslexia therapists.

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

TDLR has worked with their exam vendor, PSI, to resume practical examinations for the barber and cosmetology industries. All exam sites have adjusted schedules and reduced capacity in accordance with CDC and state social distancing guidelines. Additionally, TDLR has reviewed and approved PSI's health protocols to ensure they meet all state guidelines regarding COVID-19. Under these restrictions, TDLR will resume barber and cosmetology practical exam delivery at all 8 PSI sites across Texas starting Monday, June 1

The suspension of inspections related to TDLR elevators, boilers, and elimination of architectural barriers programs has been extended to June 30. Also, continuing education requirements are waived for all individual licenses expiring in March, April, May, and June 2020.

**Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS):** THP continues to have a liaison at the State Operations Center currently assisting with "Pony Express" Rural COVID-19 Testing Sites by coordinating ground transportation of the collected samples for THP/CID to transport to the designated labs for processing.

6-2, DPS Aviation continues to respond daily to numerous requests for the statewide movement of supplies, test kits and collected samples in support of COVID-19 Air Bridge. [DPS Aviation made flights from four airports \(Lubbock, El Paso Midland, Au, Edinburg and Galveston\)](#) transporting samples from numerous collection points. Since April 24, DPS Aviation has performed [233](#) flights, transported [954](#) coolers of samples and have [711](#) hours of flight time.

6-2, THP Region III Edinburg personnel assisted with ground transport and received 12 coolers of collected samples from DPS Aviation at Edinburg Airport and transported samples to University of Texas Rio Grande Valley Lab (UTRGV) for processing.

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

#### State Medical Operations Center (SMOC) Activities:

- A total of 113 Attestations processed from County Judges
- A total of 802 LTC facilities have been tested by Rapid Assessment (RA) teams in response to the Governor's orders to test all Nursing Home staff and residents.

### Regional Activities:

- Regional EPI Emergency Response Teams have been conducting daily monitoring of PUM/PUI within the Region in collaboration with LHDs.
- Mobile test sites have opened throughout the regions and are operating one day testing by appointment only. Status of mobile test sites can be viewed [here](#).
- All RHMOCs are at Full Activation.
- All eight HPP Providers have activated Medical Operations Centers and are distributing PPE to healthcare entities in the region.
- A total of 1,468 facilities have registered to use the Battelle system. A total of 6,850 N95 masks have been processed to date.

### DSHS Call Center Activities:

The Call Center has received 15,960 calls and 12,319 emails to date. Over the past 24 hours, the Call Center received a total of 80 calls and 154 emails. The Call Center is operational 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM every day of the week.

### **Texas Education Agency (TEA):**

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

**Texas Emergency Medical Task Force (EMTF):** Texas Emergency Medical Task Force (EMTF) currently has all (8) EMTF Regions Activated in support of the COVID-19 Response and continues to support the statewide testing initiative. EMTF is providing MISTs to the State Operations Center and within each region as part of a unified effort to provide mobile testing, test sample collection for all nursing homes, outbreak test sample collection missions in high risk settings (nursing homes, assisted living centers, large processing plants, etc.), testing site call center operations, and facilitating statewide laboratory capacity augmentation and result sharing platform.

June 3, Missions included the following:

- 42 Test Collection Team Missions
- 17 MTT Sites
- 12 QRF – TMD Nursing Home Missions
- 1 QRF – EMTF Outbreak/ NTX TF Missions
- 10 QRF – Fire Department Nursing Home Missions
- 2 QRF – Private Contractor Nursing Home Missions

EMTF currently has 54 Medical Incident Support Team (MIST) members activated supporting Mobile Test Collection Teams, Rapid Assessment – QRFs, Regional Coordination Teams coordinating with Local Fire Departments conducting Nursing Home test sample collection, TX EMTF State Coordinating Office (SCO) SOC LNO, DDC 4B and NCTTRAC EMCC

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

**Texas Military Department (TMD):** TMD currently has 3,259 personnel in support of the COVID-19 Response. Two TMD General Support Units are operating in support of testing sites in Kingsville and Houston. Eight TMD GSUs are staging in Dallas, San Antonio, Corpus Christi,

Lubbock, Austin, Houston, El Paso, Weslaco and Tyler to implement the TDEM distribution plan to the RACs and have distributed 3,762 pallets. TMD MDCs are supporting DDCs in 2, 04A, 04B, 6, 7, 8, 12, 13, 14, 16A, 16C, 16D, 18B, 19, DDC 20 and 21 and DDC 24. TMD is supporting the manufacture of n95 masks, and have manufactured 18.2 million masks. TMD is assisting TDEM with warehouse distribution of PPE. TMD is supporting the North Texas Food Bank, the South Texas Food Bank, the East Texas Food bank, the Rio Grande Valley Food Bank, Harris County Food Bank, Tarrant County Food Bank, West Texas Food Bank and the El Paso Food Bank with distribution and have distributed more than 64.8 million pounds of food. TMD is supporting the State Operations Center. TMD Engineering Facility Assessment teams are actively evaluating alternate care medical facilities for COVID 19 patient overflow potential. TMD is supporting Community Based Testing site operations in [Lubbock, Hidalgo, Webb, Cameron, Kleberg, Wise, Collin, Tarrant, Denton, Bowie, Upshur, Titus, Galveston, Harris, Brazos, Hill, Williamson, McLennan, Milam, DeWitt, Jackson, Guadalupe, Victoria, Wilson and El Paso Counties](#). TMD has received more than 178,900 calls at the TMD COVID-19 call center, and assisted with testing 104,097 people. TMD is supporting the disinfection of nursing homes. TMD has disinfected a total of 1,137,608 square feet. TMD is supporting TDEM Critical Information Systems with data compilation and STAR repositioning. TDEM is supporting the Department of State Health Services by tracking PPE distribution to health care facilities.

**Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD):** TPWD is monitoring the COVID-19 situation closely and making agency adjustments based on the DSHS and CDC guidelines to ensure the health and safety of employees, volunteers, and the public visiting TPWD facilities.

Texas Game Wardens continue to assist with the “Pony Express” Rural COVID-19 Testing sites by providing ground transportation. Since the start of “Pony Express” Texas Game Wardens have assisted with the delivery of samples from 390 testing site from 218 counties.

TPWD Aviation has performed 22 flight missions to assist with the transportation of 97 various sized coolers containing COVID-19 test samples. Along with test samples TPWD Aviation has been assisting with the delivery of sample kits to be distributed to different test site locations throughout the state.

TPWD continues to have two representatives at the State Operations Center coordinating the transportation efforts related to the COVID-19 rural testing sites and is liaison officers between TPWD, TDEM and other Federal, State, and Local partners.

TPWD has assigned personnel working in DDC4B as a liaison with planning, logistics, meetings and scheduling related to COVID-19 response and testing. While assigned personnel assists with all coordination with any local transportation issues that may arise in the TDEM Region 1.

**Texas Wing Civil Air Patrol (CAP):** CAP aircraft transported 3,188 test kits and samples around the state for analysis. Ground teams are assisting in the San Antonio area delivering Meals on Wheels to shut-in area residents. Teams distributed over 132 meals.

**Texas Workforce Commission (TWC):** TWC has 88 personnel supporting COVID-19 with 11% of its staff in Texas teleworking.

#### Unemployment Insurance:

- Call centers are open 7 days a week 7:00 AM-7:00 PM.

- TWC Website, Information for COVID-19 [Frequently Asked Questions](#).
- Expanded the number of people doing pin and password resets with most of external relations working on them.
- TWC has expanded call center hours: 7:00 AM -7:00 PM and 7 days a week.

**STATE RESOURCES COMMITTED**

Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Personnel	Equipment	Status	Location
AgriLife	Specialists/Admin	22		Activated	College Station
AgriLife	SOC Liaison	1		Assigned	SOC/Austin
AgriLife	DAR Extension Agents	12	12	Assigned	Statewide
AgriLife	Strike Teams	100		Assigned	Statewide
Agrilife	Incident Support Teams	16	16	Assigned	Regional Advisory Council Areas
Agrilife	Extension Agent Strike Team for PPE delivery	15	15	Assigned	Border
Agrilife	Extension Agent Strike Team for PPE delivery	10	10	Assigned	Panhandle
Agrilife	Extension Agent Strike Team for PPE delivery	11	11	Assigned	Coastal Bend
Agrilife	Extension Agent Strike Team for PPE delivery	11	11	Assigned	CATRAC
Agrilife	Extension Agent Strike Team for PPE delivery	11	11	Assigned	NCTTRAC
Agrilife	Extension Agent Strike Team for PPE delivery	11	11	Assigned	SETRAC
Agrilife	Extension Agent Strike Team for PPE delivery	11	11	Assigned	STRAC
Agrilife	Extension Agent Strike Team for PPE delivery	11	11	Assigned	Piney Woods
DPS-THP	Liaison	1		Assigned	SOC/Austin
DPS-THP	Personnel	4	4	Assigned	Dallas County
DPS-THP	HSOC GIS Specialist	1	1	Assigned	SOC/Austin
DPS THP	Troopers			Assigned	Statewide
DPS CID	Special Agents			Assigned	Statewide
DPS COMMS	Command Trailer		1	Assigned	Austin

Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Personnel	Equipment	Status	Location
DPS Aviation	Aviation			Assigned	Statewide
DSHS	Medical Incident Support Team (MIST)	1		Assigned	DDC 4B Garland
DSHS	State Coordinating Office (SCO)	4		Assigned	SOC/Austin
DSHS	Fatality Management Trailer (FMT) (HPP)		3	Assigned	PHR 2/3, 4/5N, 7
DSHS	AST	2	1	Assigned	San Antonio Riverview
DSHS	Medical Incident Support Team (MIST)	3		Assigned	San Antonio Mobile Collection Team Call Center
DSHS	MIST	54		Assigned	All DSHS Regions
DSHS	Infection Control Practitioner (ICP)	8		Assigned	1 per DSHS Region
DSHS	Epidemiologists	51		Assigned	PHRs Statewide
DSHS SMOC	SMOC Staff	77		Assigned	Telework
HHSC	SOC Liaison	4		Assigned	SOC/Austin
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
TCFP	SOC Liaison	2		Assigned	SOC/Austin
TCFP	TIFMAS Liaison	22		Assigned	Armories
TCFP	TIFMAS Coordinator	1		Assigned	Frisco
TCFP	TIFMAS I.T. Support	4		Assigned	Frisco
TDA	SOC Liaison	1		Assigned	Remote
TDLR	SOC Liaison	1		Assigned	Remote
TDCJ	Testing Strike Teams	123		Assigned	Statewide
TEA	SOC Liaison	2		Assigned	Remote
TEEX, TAMUS	SOC Liaisons	1		Assigned	Remote SOC - Austin

Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Personnel	Equipment	Status	Location
TEEX, TAMUS	Incident Support Team (IST)	7		Assigned	El Paso
TEEX, TAMUS	Incident Support Team (IST)	6		Assigned	Dallas
TEEX, TAMUS	Incident Support Team (IST)	6		Assigned	Austin
TEEX, TAMUS	Incident Support Team (IST)	8		Assigned	Corpus Christi
TEEX, TAMUS	Incident Support Team (IST)	5		Assigned	Lubbock
TEEX, TAMUS	Incident Support Team (IST)	6		Assigned	Tyler
TEEX, TAMUS	Incident Support Team (IST)	7		Assigned	Houston
TEEX, TAMUS	Incident Support Team (IST)	8		Assigned	San Antonio
TEEX, TAMUS	Logistics Support	1		Assigned	Ameritech PPE
TFS	ESB/ESF 4 Representative	1		Assigned	SOC
TFS	Logistics Support	1		Assigned	SOC
TFS	EOC Support	3		Assigned	College Station
TFS	All-Hazards Planning Module	2		Assigned	DDEOC 4B/TDEM Region 1 (Remote & on-site)
TFS	Planning Support	1		Assigned	DDEOC 4A (Remote)
TFS	Planning Support	1		Assigned	DSHS Region 1 (On-site)
TFS	Logistical Support	20		Assigned	San Antonio
TFS	Contact Tracing Support	50		Assigned	Statewide (Remote)
TFS	TIFMAS On-site Personnel	43		Assigned	Statewide
TMD	SOC Military Desk	3		Assigned	SOC/Austin
TMD	SOC Food Unit	2		Assigned	SOC/Austin
TMD	SOC Logs Veters	14		Assigned	SOC/Austin
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Garland
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Hurst
TMD	ETN Support	4		Assigned	Garland

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TMD	GSU 08	5		Assigned	Kingsville
TMD	GSU 10-1	33		Assigned	Houston
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Corpus Christi
TMD	J6 Support	5		Assigned	Austin
TMD	BJTF Mission CMD	17		Assigned	Fort Worth
TMD	BJTF Mission CMD	12		Assigned	Houston
TMD	BJTF Mission CMD	18		Assigned	Austin
TMD	JTF LNO (3 BDE CMD)	3		Assigned	Austin, Houston, Fort Worth
TMD	General Support Unit	29		Assigned	Lubbock
TMD	General Support Unit	18		Assigned	Dallas
TMD	General Support Unit	29		Assigned	El Paso
TMD	General Support Unit	36		Assigned	Austin
TMD	General Support Unit	12		Assigned	Corpus Christi
TMD	General Support Unit	18		Assigned	Tyler
TMD	General Support Unit	36		Assigned	San Antonio
TMD	General Support Unit	20		Assigned	Houston
TMD	GSU & HQ	0		Released	San Antonio
TMD	GSU for BDE Support	33		Assigned	New Braunfels
TMD	GSU for BDE Support	25		Assigned	Houston
TMD	GSU for BDE Support	0		Released	Austin
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Pierce
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Houston
TMD	Engineering Assistance	1		Assigned	Various
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Lubbock

Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Personnel	Equipment	Status	Location
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	Weslaco
TMD	LNO FST	4		Assigned	Houston (Virtual)
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Conroe
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Bryan
TMD	Traffic Control ECPT	0		Released	Huntsville
TMD	EMCC Staff Aug	5		Assigned	Arlington
TMD	NTFB Food Distribution	150		Assigned	Plano
TMD	GSU Set Up FMS	0		Released	Dallas
TMD	ABS MRP	39		Assigned	Austin
TMD	TDEM Warehouse Support	2		Assigned	San Antonio
TMD	PAX Making N95 Masks	45		Assigned	N Richland Hills
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Del Rio
TMD	SOC Theater Support	16		Assigned	Austin
TMD	SOC Theater Support	5		Assigned	San Antonio TDEM
TMD	SOC Theater Support	9		Assigned	DFW
TMD	SOC Theater Support	21		Assigned	San Antonio
TMD	SOC Theater Support	18		Assigned	Houston
TMD	El Paso Food Distribution	104		Assigned	El Paso
TMD	South Texas Food Distribution	47		Assigned	Laredo
TMD	LNOFST	4		Assigned	Pierce

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TMD	GSU	30		Assigned	Weslaco
TMD	East Texas Food Bank	31		Assigned	Tyler
TMD	Medical Support Team	1		Assigned	Austin/SOC
TMD	TMD Medical Support	12		Assigned	Camp Swift
TMD	CBTS Test	21		Assigned	Butler Stadium - Houston
TMD	CBTS Test	20		Assigned	Delmar - Houston
TMD	TDEM Commodities	14		Assigned	San Antonio/Killeen
TMD	CBRAC Logs	8		Assigned	San Antonio
TMD	RGV Food Bank	29		Assigned	Pharr
TMD	DSHS TMD Support	2		Assigned	Austin
TMD	Harris County Food Bank	335		Assigned	Harris County
TMD	Tarrant County Food Bank	60		Assigned	Tarrant County
TMD	TMD Medical Testing MRP	1,205		Assigned	Various
TMD	TMD Building Rack Shelves	17		Assigned	Austin
TMD	TMD Logs SMOC	1		Assigned	Austin ALT SOC
TMD	Walgreens Test Site	6		Assigned	Houston
TMD	Food Bank San Antonio	33		Assigned	San Antonio
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1		Assigned	Laredo
TMD	TMD Inspection Team	8		Assigned	San Antonio
TMD	Military District Coordinator	0		Assigned	Lufkin
TMD	Traffic Control Point	0		Released	Palmview
TMD	West Texas Food Bank	30		Activated	Odessa
TMD	Entry Control Point La Posada	2		Assigned	Austin
TMD	Disinfection Team	96		Assigned	Various Nursing Facilities

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TMD	GSU's for JTF & MTCC	100		Assigned	Austin, Houston & Ft. Worth
TMD	TMD Medical PAX for MTCC	70		Assigned	Austin
TMD	2 GSU's HQ & 2 GSUs	54		Assigned	Austin Call Center
TMD	8 GSU's for Disinfection Teams	240		Assigned	Various
TPWD	SOC Liaison	2	2	Assigned	Austin
TPWD	DDC 4B Liaison	1	1	Assigned	Garland
TPWD	Caldwell County EOC PIO	1	1	Assigned	Caldwell County
TPWD	Texas Game Wardens	20	20	Assigned	Statewide
TPWD	TPWD Aviation			Assigned	Statewide

### Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (VOADs)

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

#### Mission Information and Details

Distribution numbers from 16 food banks around the state are listed below are the increased pounds distributed due to COVID-19 over their normal distribution. 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)			461,035	1,500
Central Texas Food Bank (Austin)		26,180	2,038,177	
Coastal Bend Food Bank (Corpus Christi)		20,160	2,334,008	
Concho Valley Regional Food Bank (San Angelo)			263,643	
East Texas Food Bank (Tyler)			967,892	
Food Bank of Rio Grande (Pharr)			2,015,168	

Food Bank	Prepared Meals	Pounds of Water Distributed	Pounds of Food Distributed	Non-food Items Distributed
Food Bank of West Central Texas (Abilene)	2,897		188,959	
Galveston County Food Bank (Texas City)			18,850	
High Plains Food Bank (Amarillo)	23,146		7,064	
Houston Food Bank (Houston)		177,020	2,664,320	3,938
North Texas Food Bank (Dallas)		41,999	4,964,923	83,130
South Texas Food Bank (Laredo)	22,572	36,700	3,765,008	
Southeast Texas Food Bank (Beaumont)		2,352	325,585	12,000
Tarrant Area Food Bank (Ft. Worth)		82,157	3,104,035	57,839
West Texas Food Bank (Odessa)		64,387	1,108,432	1,779
Wichita Falls Area Food Bank (Wichita Falls)	652	7,520	254,505	
<b>TOTAL REPORTED</b>	<b>49,267</b>	<b>461,175</b>	<b>24,227,099</b>	<b>175,436</b>

**The Salvation Army (TSA):** TSA is currently monitoring statewide operations at each Salvation Army local Corps and Shelter, providing guidance through Divisional Social Services for shelter operations. Most locations have increased shelter capacity and have gone to 24/7 operations due to the community need. Current feeding operations are local with grab and go type services, food box/pantry distribution. No statewide feeding plan is operational at this time.

The Salvation Army has entered into an agreement with TDEM and The National Guard providing logistics to distribute PPE to various regions.

The Salvation Army Emotional & Spiritual Care hotline, has been up and running for 1 month. Anyone needing someone to talk to can call 1-844-458-HOPE (4673) Hours of operation are 8:00 AM to 12:00 Midnight CST.

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

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

Level I (Emergency Conditions)

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

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