Texas City, Texas...What a home town should be
HOW TO RESPOND TO EMERGENCY SIREN SYSTEM

When the siren system is activated with the high - low - high - low - high - low - high - low - high - low signal you should:

• Go indoors; shut all windows and doors; turn off the air conditioning.
• Stay off the telephone.
• Please monitor Texas City Emergency Management Facebook Page for further instructions.
• Tune into any major television station in the Houston area for updates. The situation is often fluid and up-to-date information can be obtained by using these stations as they often have live broadcasts of the event.
• Cars will be prevented from entering any area affected by the situation through the use of police road blocks or barricades.
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January 2022

City Offices, Biosphere, Bayou Golf Course, Shooting Range CLOSED

New Year’s Eve

New Year’s Day
AVOID TEXTING
WHILE DRIVING

• Make a habit of thinking about what calls or texts you need to send before you begin your trip. Before you start the car, take a moment to think about what information you might need during your trip.

• The idea of a designated driver has caught on for drunk driving, and choosing a substitute can be just as useful for distracted driving. **Select a friend to be your designated texter** while you’re behind the wheel.

• Place your phone somewhere you can’t peek at it. Try putting it in the glove compartment (lock it if you must) or inside a purse in the back seat.

• **Silence notifications** that tempt you to check your phone.

• **Investigate apps** that will help boost your willpower. There are several types of apps on the market, some of them free, that allow you to block incoming messages or send automatic responses to let your friends know you’re driving.

• **Practice patience.** Consider whether it’s worth risking your safety—and that of others in your car and on the road—to read a text while driving. Wait until you’ve reached your destination.

• **Make a promise.** If you are a person of your word, consider signing the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration’s pledge against distracted driving. Seeing your name on the pledge could help you keep your thumbs off the phone.

• If you absolutely cannot wait, **pull over when you can do so safely** because swerving to the side of a busy highway is never a good option. If you are driving on a road with safe places to pull over, use them to stop and text.
SPRING BREAK SAFETY

• Be active. You’ve probably been sitting most of the year working at the computer, studying, or in class. During the break, take the opportunity to start a fitness program. Do a variety of fun activities like walking, dancing, playing volleyball, swimming, and more. It doesn’t need to be rigorous to be beneficial. Avoid injury by starting any new activity slowly. Be active for at least 2½ hours a week. Include activities that raise your breathing and heart rates and that strengthen your muscles.

• Plan a successful trip. If you are going on a trip, be prepared. Are vaccinations required? Are there special food, destination, or other things you need to consider ahead of time? If you are taking medications, do you have enough for the trip? Know what’s happening en route or at your travel destination.

• Watch your step. There may be temptations on your break that involve different or high-risk activities. Think twice before putting yourself at risk for injury. Be sure to use appropriate safety gear such as seat belts, life vests, or knee pads before venturing out.

• If you wear contact lenses, practice healthy wear and care when you’re on vacation. Carry a spare pair of glasses and contact lens supplies with you so you can take out your contacts safely. Remove contacts before swimming, as exposing contact lenses to water can lead to painful, sometimes blinding eye infections. Always take your contacts out before bed, even if you’re up late or traveling. Sleeping in contact lenses has been linked to serious eye infections.

• Protect yourself from the sun. After a cold winter, it’s tempting to stay in the hot sun all day. Although getting a little sun can have some benefits, excessive and unprotected sun exposure can result in premature aging, changes in skin texture, and skin cancer. Always wear sunscreen with at least SPF 15. For eye protection, wear wraparound sunglasses that provide 100 percent UV ray protection.

• Eat healthy. Having fun takes energy and fuel. Be sure to eat a variety of foods, including plenty of vegetables, fruits, and whole grain products. Also include low-fat dairy products, lean meats, poultry, fish, and legumes. Drink lots of water and go easy on the salt, sugar, alcohol, and saturated fat. Good nutrition should be part of an overall healthy lifestyle, including regular physical activity, not smoking, and stress management.
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**SPRING BREAK CAMP**

**Family Game Day**
- Carver Center
- Sanders Center

**Summer Swim Lessons**
- Session II Begins
- Matthew T. Doyle Natatorium

**TAAF Youth Basketball State Tournament**
BICYCLE SAFETY

- A helmet protects your child from serious injury and should always be worn. Remember, wearing a helmet at all times helps children develop the habit of safety.

- Your child needs to wear a helmet on every bike ride, no matter how short or how close to home. Many injuries happen in driveways, on sidewalks, and on bike paths, not just on streets. Children learn best by observing you. Set the example: Whenever you ride, put on your helmet.

- When purchasing a helmet, look for a label or sticker that says the helmet meets the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) safety standard.

- A helmet should be worn so that it is level on the head and covers the forehead, not tipped forward or backwards. The strap should be securely fastened with about 2 fingers able to fit between chin and strap. The helmet should be snug on the head, but not overly tight. Skin should move with the helmet when moved side to side. If needed, the helmet’s sizing pads can help improve the fit.

- Do not push your child to ride a 2-wheeled bike without training wheels until he or she is ready. Consider the child’s coordination and desire to learn to ride. Stick with coaster (foot) brakes until your child is older and more experienced for hand brakes. Consider a balance bike with no pedals for young children to learn riding skills.

- Take your child with you when you shop for the bike so that he or she can try it out. The value of a properly-fitted bike far outweighs the value of surprising your child with a new one. Buy a bike that is the right size, not one your child has to “grow into.” Oversized bikes are especially dangerous.
NOTES:
Summer Youth Track and Youth Tennis Registration Begins April 4
Nessler Park Family Aquatic Center Private Party Registration Begins April 4
Makos Summer Swim Team Try Outs Begins April 11
1947 Disaster Exhibit April 2 – May 28
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April 2, 2022

Texas City Art Festival
Open to the Public 10 AM – 8 PM

TEXAS CITY ART FESTIVAL - Open to the Public 10 AM - 8 PM
Art Festival Art Walk
Good Friday

City-Wide Easter Egg Hunt
Carlos Garza Park

City Offices, Biosphere CLOSED

75th Anniversary of TC Disaster Memorial Service
Memorial Park - 9 AM

April Fool's Day

Davison Home at Heritage Square Open
2 PM - 4 PM

1947 Survivor Reunion Photo
Texas City Museum
Art Festival Opening Night Reception & Awards
Doyle Convention Center

Shooting Range CLOSED
Easter Sunday

Administrative Professional Day

Cinco De Mayo Parade & Festival
10 AM
Hurricane Safety

Before the Hurricane Hits

- Keep photos and/or videos of your home, its content and other personal property in a separate location, such as a safe deposit box
- Photocopy personal IDs, credit cards, insurance policies and other important documents and keep them in a watertight container with your emergency supplies
- Fuel and service family vehicles and consider investing in a fuel transfer tank
- Prepare to cover all windows and doors with shutters or plywood
- Secure any outside items which may become projectiles and damage you and/or your neighbors’ homes.
- Keep extra cash on hand for emergency purposes
- Develop a family emergency plan, detailing how family members are to evacuate the house and where to meet
- Prepare a survival kit for 10 days or longer. Items should include:
  - Water (1 gallon per person per day)
  - Include food and water for pets
  - Non-Perishable food for 14 days
  - First Aid Kit
  - Medicine with 14 days’ worth of prescriptions
  - Cash
  - Matches, batteries, flashlights, hand tools
  - Identification, personal papers, important documents
  - Safety equipment (fire extinguisher, whistle, hand crank radio)
  - Personal Protective Equipment
- Sign up on County or City mass notification system if you need assistance evacuating,
  - Register at: Mytcalerts.com
  - Manual sign-up materials are at City Hall

During the Hurricane Storm

- Listen closely to a radio tuned to NOAA Weather Radio or to official bulletins for hurricane information
- Evacuate to a safe location when instructed by officials
- Notify family members and neighbors about your evacuation plans and where you will be going
- If an evacuation is necessary, unplug all appliances, TV’s and computers before leaving your home. If possible, move important items to a higher floor or surface

After the Hurricane Storm

- Listen to authorities for information on weather, road conditions, updates and special instructions
- If you have NOT been ordered to leave and decide to remain in your home:
  - Turn refrigerator to its coldest setting and keep it closed
  - Turn off propane tanks and unplug small appliances
  - Fill bathtub and large containers with water for sanitary purposes
  - Stay in a small interior room or closet, ideally without windows
- Return to your home ONLY when instructed to do so by authorities
- Save phone calls for emergencies. Phone systems are often down or busy after a disaster. Use text messages or social media to communicate with family and friends.
- Do not attempt to drive through or across flowing water, or cross areas where water is flowing (moving water as little as 6” deep can sweep you away)
- Stay away from standing water (It may be electrically charged from downed power lines)
- Be careful during clean-up. Wear protective clothing and work with someone else
- Take pictures of the damage to your property and notify your insurance company
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**NOTES:**
- Summer Program Registration Begins May 2
- Summer Swim Lessons Registration Begins May 2
- 1947 Disaster Exhibit, April 2 - May 28
- Texas City Museum

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**WATER SAFETY**

- Teach children water safety and swimming skills as early as possible.
- Always brief babysitters on water safety and emphasize the need for constant supervision.
- Appoint a “designated watcher” to monitor children during social gatherings at or near pools.
- Equip doors and windows that exit to a pool area with alarms.
- Install a poolside phone, preferably a cordless model, with emergency numbers programmed into speed-dial.
- Post CPR instructions, learn the procedures or become certified if possible.
- Keep rescue equipment poolside. Don’t wait for the paramedics to arrive because you will lose valuable life-saving seconds. Four to six minutes without oxygen can cause permanent brain damage or death.
- Keep a first aid kit poolside.
- Install four-sided isolation fencing, at least five feet high, equipped with self-closing and self-latching gates, that completely surrounds the pool and prevents direct access from the house and yard.
- Maintain constant visual contact with children in a pool or pool area. If a child is missing, check the pool first; seconds count in preventing death or disability.
- Don’t use flotation devices as a substitute for supervision. Never allow a young child in a pool without an adult.
- Don’t leave objects such as toys that might attract a child in the pool and pool area.
- Never prop the gate to a pool area open.
- Don’t rely on swimming lessons, life preservers, or other equipment to make a child “water safe.”
- Never assume someone else is watching a child in a pool area.
- Don’t leave chairs or other items of furniture where a child could use them to climb into a fenced pool area.
- Don’t assume you’ll hear a child who’s in trouble in the water; children drowning can be a silent death and they might not splash to alert you or other bystanders.
### June 2022

#### NOTES:
- Summer Swim Lessons Session 1 Begins June 6
- Summer Swim Lessons Session 2 Begins June 20
- Youth Summer Tennis Begins June 6

#### CHARLES BROWN & 1867 SETTLEMENT EXHIBIT
- June 4-25
- Texas City Museum

#### SUMMER CAMP SESSION 1 - NESSLER, LOWRY, CARVER AND SANDERS CENTERS

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- 2 PM - 4 PM

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#### Juneteenth Golf Tournament
- Bayou Golf Course
- Flag Day

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#### TACKLE TIME FISHING TOURNAMENT

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Stay Cool in Hot Weather

- **Drink plenty of water.** Avoid drinks with caffeine, alcohol and large amounts of sugar because they can actually dehydrate your body.

- Have a beverage with you at all times, and sip or drink frequently. **Don't wait until you're thirsty to drink.**

- If you go outside, limit the time you are in direct sunlight.

- Do not leave infants, children, people with mobility challenges and pets in a parked car, even with the window rolled down.

- Avoid or reduce doing activities that are tiring, or take a lot of energy.

- Do outdoor activities in the cooler morning and evening hours.

- **Avoid sunburn.** Use a sunscreen lotion with a high SPF (sun protection factor) rating.

- Some people turn to local rivers to cool off, but drowning is a real concern. Please use caution and wear a personal flotation device (PFD) on the water. If you want to swim, **choose a safer location**—visit a local pool or lifeguarded beach instead.

- Certain medications may increase sensitivity to the heat. If you are concerned about the heat and the medications you are taking, check with your doctor. Do not take salt tablets unless your doctor tells you to.

- **Recognizing heat exhaustion and heat stroke.** When your body can't cool itself quickly enough it can cause heat exhaustion. Symptoms of heat exhaustion include: muscle cramps, weakness, dizziness, headache, nausea and vomiting. If you see someone with signs of overheating, move the person to a cooler location, have them rest for a few minutes and then slowly drink a cooler beverage. Get medical attention for them immediately if they do not feel better.

- Spend more time in air conditioned places. If you don’t have air conditioning, consider visiting a mall, movie theater or other air conditioned place.

- **Cover windows** that receive morning or afternoon sun.

- Dress in lightweight clothing.

- Take a cool shower or bath, or place cool washcloths on your skin.

- Check up on your **older neighbors and relatives** to ensure they take these precautions too.
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- **SUMMER CAMP SESSION 7 - NESSLER, LOWRY, CARVER AND SANDERS CENTERS**
BACK TO SCHOOL SAFETY TIPS

- **Learn the school's emergency procedures.** Emergency plans and phone numbers are usually included in school handbooks and posted in classrooms. Taking a few extra minutes to familiarize yourself and your child with emergency information can give them the confidence they need to act quickly in emergency situations.

- **Know travel routes to and from the school.** Make sure you and your child know both primary and alternate routes. In an emergency, roads can be blocked and it’s important to have a backup plan.

- **Know and follow school security and safety measures.** These might include signing in when visiting the school, being escorted when walking through the building, or wearing a visitor pass. Following these procedures also set a great example for your kids.

- **Talk with your child about safety and be specific.** Talk about instinct and paying attention to funny feelings or fear. Explain what to do if they don’t feel safe (find a teacher, call 911, etc.). Make sure they know how to contact you or a trusted neighbor or friend who is likely to be at home.

- **Inform school staff about health and emotional concerns.** Whether your child has a food allergy, a physical disability, or has been subject to bullying, make sure to keep your child’s teachers and principal in the loop.

- **Get involved.** Talk with the principal about what you can do to increase school safety, such as organizing parents to form a neighborhood watch before and after school. Sometimes parent groups are highly successful in making improvements in traffic safety during drop off and pick up times.
**SUMMER CAMP SESSION 8 - NESSLER, LOWRY, CARVER & SANDERS CENTERS**

- **Davison Home at Heritage Square Open**
  - 2 PM– 4 PM

- **Senior Citizen Day**
  - Carver Center

- **Family Game Day**
  - Sanders Center

**NOTE:**
Youth Volleyball Registration Begins August 1

**LEGEND**
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SENIOR LIVING SAFETY

- Get to know your neighbors. While you may not be best friends, you should get to know your neighbors. Your neighbors are most likely to notice when something is wrong. Include neighbors on your emergency contact list.

- Pay attention to and remove tripping hazards. Stray electrical cords, rugs that don’t lie flat, low furniture, and poor lighting are common causes of falls within your home. Make sure your bulbs are the proper wattage and install nightlights to illuminate your floors at night.

- Use a medical alert system. Medical alert systems provide very affordable access to emergency personnel at the push of a button. Often, during an emergency, finding a phone and dialing a number simply isn’t an option.

- Avoid slippery conditions. This one may seem obvious, but it is often overlooked. Take care to make sure floors aren’t slippery. Use non-slip floor mats in your bathrooms and install safety bars (sometimes known as ‘grab bars’) in bath tubs and showers, and next to toilets. Install mats at the entry points to your house so floors don’t get wet on rainy and snowy days.

- Test smoke alarms weekly. You know to install smoke alarms, but your alarms only protect you if they have fresh batteries and are operating properly. Even if they aren’t dead, change batteries every six months when you reset your clocks for daylight savings.

- The daily check-in. Ask a loved-one, neighbor, or friend to call each day just to make sure everything is okay. Offer to do the same for them. Spend a minute or two on the phone just for the conversation. This is also a great way to remind yourself to take any medications you might need.

- Put a lock box on your door. A lock box allows family members, friends, trusted neighbors and emergency personnel to access your home when you’re unable to get to the door.

- Keep lists of medications and allergies in your wallet or purse. If you have a specific condition, wear a medical ID bracelet. This information can be invaluable to emergency medical personnel when they come to your home, especially if you’re unconscious or unable to communicate.
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**NOTE:**
TCAPS USA Swim Team Registration & Tryouts September 12
Fall Swim Lessons Registration Begins September 19
SKATEBOARD, SCOOTER, IN-LINE SKATING AND HEELYS SAFETY

- All skateboarders and scooter-riders should wear protective gear. Helmets are particularly important for preventing and minimizing head injuries. Riders should wear helmets that meet American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) or other approved safety standards and that are specifically designed to reduce the effects of skating hazards.

- Communities should continue to develop skateboard parks, which are more likely to be monitored for safety than ramps and jumps constructed by children at home.

- While in-line skating or using Heelys, only skate on designated paths or rinks and not in the street.

- Most injuries occur due to falls. Inexperienced riders should only ride as fast as they can comfortably slow down, and they should practice falling on grass or other soft surfaces. Before riding, skateboarders should survey the riding terrain for obstacles such as potholes, rocks, or any debris. Protective wrist, elbow and kneepads should be worn.

- Children should never ride skateboards or scooters in or near moving traffic.

- Riders should never skate alone. Children under the age of eight should be closely supervised at all times.
NOTES:
Fall Swim Lessons Session 1
Begins October 3

Fall Swim Lessons Session 2
Begins October 17

Youth Basketball Registration Begins October 3

**FIRE PREVENTION WEEK**

- **October 9 - October 15, 2022**

**NOTES:**
- Fall Swim Lessons Session 1
  - Begins October 3
- Fall Swim Lessons Session 2
  - Begins October 17
- Youth Basketball Registration Begins October 3
Holiday Cooking Safety

- **Stay in the kitchen while food is cooking.** Most fires in the kitchen occur because food is left unattended.
- **Keep the cooking range free of clutter.** Even though you have dishes to prepare, don’t overload a cook top with too many pots and pans. Trying to cook all your dishes at once could cause grease to accidentally spill onto a range top and cause a fire.
- **Always keep a potholder, oven mitt and lid handy while cooking.** If a small fire starts in a pan on the stove, put on a flame-resistant oven mitt and smother the flames by carefully sliding the lid over the pan. Turn off the burner and don’t remove the lid until the food has cooled.
- **When removing lids on hot pans,** *tilt them away from you* to protect your face and hands from steam. If there is an oven fire, turn off the heat and keep the door closed to prevent flames from burning you or your clothing.
- **Never wear loose fitting clothing when cooking.** Long, open sleeves could ignite and catch fire from a gas flame or a hot burner. Wear short, close fitting or tightly rolled sleeves when cooking. If you have long hair, be sure to tie it back.
- **Keep smoke alarms connected** while cooking. Smoke alarms can save lives. Make sure smoke alarms are installed and working.
- **Unplug small appliances that aren’t in use.** Not only will you save the energy, but you will also avoid the potential dangers if they were to be turned on accidentally.
- **Keep a fire extinguisher in the kitchen** in case of an emergency and know how to use it. Make sure the fire extinguisher is UL listed and rated for grease and electrical fires.
- **If using a turkey fryer, place fryer in an open area AWAY from all walls, fences, or other structures.** Keep fryer in **FULL VIEW** while burner is on.
- **Raise and lower food SLOWLY** to reduce splatter and avoid burns.
- **Cover bare skin when adding or removing food.**
- **Check the oil temperature** frequently.
- **If oil begins to smoke, immediately turn gas supply OFF.**
- **Never use gas grills IN, ON, or UNDER a garage, breezeway, carport, porch, or any structure that can catch fire.**
- **If a fire occurs,** immediately call 911. **DO NOT** attempt to extinguish fire with water.
### November 2022

**NOTE:**
Fall Swim Lessons Session 3 Begins November 7

Quilt Exhibit
November 5-26 - Texas City Museum

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- Thanksgiving Day (observed)
- Small Business Saturday

**SPECIAL DATES:**
- Thanksgiving Day
- Veterans Day
- Election Day
- Daylight Saving Time Ends

**CLOSED:**
- City Offices
- Biosphere
- Shooting Range
- Bayou Golf Course
- Thanksgiving Day (closed)
HOLIDAY SHOPPING SAFETY

- **Parking Lot Safety.** Lock your vehicle and hide valuables, preferably in the trunk or a locked compartment. Before sunrise and after sunset, park and walk in well-lit areas and carry keys in your hand. Stay alert to your surroundings and take a moment to glance around for possible suspicious persons, vehicles, and/or situations. Prior to getting into your vehicle take a look inside and around before entering. If you observe evidence of a possible burglary, call your local law enforcement agency.

- When you’re out shopping for the holidays, **stay alert to surroundings.** When in crowded places, be alert for potential thieves. Don’t overload yourself with packages. Maintain visibility and mobility to avoid potential threats. Be wary of strangers approaching you for any reason. The holiday season is notorious for “con-artists” who may attempt to distract you with the intention of taking your money or belongings.

- **Shop with friends.** There is safety in numbers. Arrange to shop with friends and relatives instead of going out alone. Make sure everyone remains vigilant and looks out for each other.

- **Holiday shopping with children.** When shopping with children, keep a close eye on them at all times. Consider coaching them to go to a store clerk or security guard if they become separated and be sure they know their first and last name so they can advise someone who they are. Give children a contact phone number that they can carry on themselves in case they do become lost.

- **Online Shoppers.** Online shopping is becoming increasingly popular. The Internet does have risks so it is important to take steps to protect yourself when shopping online. The National Cyber Security Alliance recommends that you make sure you have a security suite (firewall, anti-virus and anti-spyware) installed and updated with the most current information before shopping online.
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**Monday, December 1**
- **City Commission Meeting**: 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at 5 PM

**Tuesday, December 2**
- **Texas City Christmas Parade**

**Saturday, December 3**
- **CASA of Galveston County - Walk A Mile in My Shoes**: Rotary Pavilion

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**Saturday, December 31**
- **New Year's Eve**: Shooting Range CLOSED

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**Friday, January 23**
- **City Offices, Shooting Range**: CLOSED
  - Christmas Eve Observed

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**Wednesday, December 28**
- **Texas City Museum Appreciation Day**: (Free Admission)

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**Monday, December 26**
- **City Offices, Biosphere Shooting Range Bayou Golf Course**: CLOSED

**Saturday, December 25**
- **Christmas Day**: Shooting Range CLOSED

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**Sunday, December 11**
- **Museum & Davison Home: Celebrate the Season**: 2 PM - 4 PM

**Sunday, December 4**
- **Texas City Museum Appreciation Day**: (Free Admission)

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**Saturday, December 24**
- **Texas City Museum Appreciation Day**: (Free Admission)

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**Friday, December 30**
- **Shooting Range**: CLOSED

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After Hours/Holidays/Weekends 682-6846

CITY OF TEXAS CITY EMERGENCY ALERTS

Register at: Mytcalerts.com
Emergency Alert Program
Get alerts about emergencies and other important community news by signing up for our Emergency Alert Program. This system enables us to provide you with critical information quickly in a variety of situations, such as severe weather, unexpected road closures, missing persons and evacuations of buildings or neighborhoods.

You will receive time-sensitive messages wherever you specify, such as your home, mobile or business phones, email address, text messages and more. You pick where, you pick how.

When you receive a call from 409-908-4779, this is a call with important information from the Texas City Notification System. Please add this number as a contact in your phone.

When you receive a text from 893-61, this is a text message with important information from the Texas City Notification System.

SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Texas City ISD 409-916-0100
Dickinson ISD 281-229-6000
Dear Citizens and Friends of Texas City:

Wow! It’s hard to believe another year has upon us. We hope you enjoy this calendar and all the event and activity highlights within it. The staff of the City of Texas City continues to work hard year-round to make this the best place on the Gulf Coast to live, work, and play.

Over the past year we have, like many of you, navigated the challenges of this global pandemic. Protocols have changed in many instances and you have adapted and been cooperative when called upon to do so. We continue to fight, the best way we know how, to stay safe and keep the positivity rates down in our city. And we will continue to do so until this virus is totally eradicated.

The exciting part about being your mayor is when I’m able to share with you good news about the programs and changes we have occurring in our city. You can catch glimpses of these changes as you travel down 6th street to see the festive lights hanging overhead and the new businesses who are opening there. This year we will break ground and present a new community plaza near the food truck area for all to enjoy. Take a journey to Mainland City Centre and enjoy the new restaurants and family entertainment venues.

We are happy to move forward and meet the challenges of our city’s growth. A new fire station and police substation on the west side of I-45 will break ground this year and we couldn’t be more excited! We have a new Emergency training facility that has, with the help of local industries, become a facility that will offer benefits to local and surrounding emergency operations.

Our schools are enhancing their campuses with new facilities and facility program expansions with an emphasis on STEM and STEAM programs. The College of the Mainland continues to offer tuition free enrollment for those local students who qualify.

The City of Texas City has restarted a program to assist first time home buyers with closing costs. We have dedicated over $1,000,000 in grant funds to housing rental assistance and housing rehabilitation for owner occupied homeowners. Texas City continues to grow with new developments as well as homebuilding on various sites throughout the city.

This is absolutely a great time to live in Texas City. But guess what… this is just the beginning! I encourage each of you to get informed and stay informed about what’s going on in your city. We have a brand-new page awaiting your perusal (www.texascitytx.gov), and don’t forget to follow us on social media (Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter). If you prefer the face-to-face interactions, please join us at our Community Conversations with Mayor Johnson events. Don’t forget every 1st and 3rd Wednesday is our public City Commission meetings at City Hall beginning at 5pm. You and your family are free to join us there.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you as mayor, and I look forward to seeing you soon. Stop and introduce yourselves if you see me!

Sincerely,

Dedrick D. Johnson

Wishing you and your family a safe and happy 2022

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