



A Message from Mayor Wax

March 14, 2018

We urge you to use these letters, and information posted on City/Town/County web sites, as an accurate source of information coming from the Long-Term Recovery (LTR) and other government and disaster recovery-related meetings.

TONIGHT is the deadline for placing hurricane debris curbside or in right of ways.

Remember to separate your piles into vegetation, building materials and appliances. Later this week, the LTR will begin publishing the list of cleared streets. Although your street may not have been cleared, you should not continue piling debris.

- a) Please call the Long Term Recovery Center at 361-790-9496 if you have special needs.
 - b) Marine Debris and Private Property Debris removal are still being coordinated through the LTR Center.
 - c) The Navigation District is sweeping Little Bay and Rockport Beach Park for marine debris.
 - d) The Army Corp of Engineers is in town surveying the amount of marine debris along the coastline
- **Volunteer Reception Center.** There are over 400 volunteers in town, including students on Spring Break, who are here to assist with property clean up, repairs, tree removal, moving mobile/manufactured housing, etc. Please sign up at the Volunteer Reception Center at First Baptist Church, which is located at Enterprise and Live Oak or call 727-9011. They keep a master list of residents needing assistance and match them with incoming volunteer groups.

Open for business. 609 businesses and 706 hotel rooms. The Chamber has an updated list of **businesses** (https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/12o_w39Sat5S-oNQ4UxHPOviKBYWZYKsoPIraes7pJLw/edit#gid=1725234370) and **hotels** (https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/10FH2W2Pjh_lqj30RRIX1ApPv6WiqXUiWjkBa_DkZRuk/edit#gid=759838201) that are currently open or have shared projected opening dates

- **Assistance**
 - a. Coastal Bend Disaster Recovery Group is bringing in more workers to speed up the case management process.

- b. FEMA will be in town the week of March 26 to meet with local entities about the availability of Community Development loans.
- **Texas Best Beaches.** Rockport is a finalist in *USA Today's* "10 Best Texas Beaches". Go to <http://www.10best.com/awards/travel/best-texas-beach/> to vote for Rockport Beach Park. You may vote once per day through noon on Friday, April 2.
- **Upcoming Events:**
 - a) TreeCovery. Friday, March 16. Tree Workshop on proper selection, planting and care by Texas A&M Forest Service. 1:15 – 2:30 pm at the Rockport Service Center, 2751 Hwy 35N Bypass. Tree planting at Mathis Park, Spencer Park and Zachary Taylor Arboretum Park from 3 – 4 pm. Bring your own gloves.
 - b) Housing and Job Fair. Tuesday, April 3 from 1 – 7 pm at St. Peter's Episcopal Church on Enterprise. For homeowners, renters and job seekers. Representatives from HUD, FEMA, SBA, Legal Aid, Crisis Counseling, local employers and more. Sponsored by the Aransas County Long Term Recovery. For more information, call 790-9496.
 - c) Corpus Christi Hooks. Opening night, Thursday, April 12 will be dedicated to Harvey Heroes

And, don't forget these ongoing resources --

Funding and Assistance

If you need assistance with property clean up, repairs, and moving mobile/manufactured housing, please sign up at the Volunteer Reception Center at First Baptist Church. They keep a master list of residents needing assistance and match them with incoming volunteer groups.

Long Term Recovery (LTR)

LTR Team may be reached by phone Monday-Friday from 9 – 5 at 361-790-9496 or via email: info@aransascounty.org. There is also a web site: www.rockportfultondisasterrecovery.com, which may also be accessed through the County's web site. You'll find information and direct links on the CBDRG's efforts, fundraising, resources, debris process and more.

It's getting better every day.