Governor Greg Abbott today declared a state of disaster in several counties that are currently experiencing widespread flooding due to Tropical Storm Imelda. This declaration will ensure that local officials have access to any state resources they may require to respond to this severe weather. On Monday, Governor Abbott deployed numerous resources to the Gulf Coast in preparation for this weather event.

“The State of Texas is working closely with local officials and emergency personnel to provide the resources they need to keep Texans safe from Tropical Storm Imelda,” said Governor Abbott. “I thank our first responders who are acting swiftly to help the communities that are facing this severe weather event. I urge all those in the path of this storm to take the necessary precautions and heed all warnings from local officials.”

A disaster declaration has been declared in the following counties: Brazoria, Chambers, Galveston, Hardin, Harris, Jasper, Jefferson, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Newton, Orange and San Jacinto.

**Brazoria County Office of Emergency Management**
111 East Magnolia Street
Angleton, Texas 77515
(979) 864-1201
https://brazoriacountytx.gov/departments/emergency-management

**Chambers County Emergency Management Agency**
102 Airport Rd.
PO Box 957
Anahuac, Texas 77514
(409) 267-2445
https://www.co.chambers.tx.us/page/emergency_mgt
https://www.facebook.com/ChambersCountyEmergencyManagement/
Galveston County Emergency Management Agency
601 54th St.
Galveston, TX 77551
(409) 765-3710
https://www.facebook.com/GalvestonOEM
https://twitter.com/GalvestonOEM

Hardin County Emergency Management
300 West Monroe Street
Kountze, Texas 77625
(409) 246-5200
https://www.facebook.com/HCTXEM/?ref=hl

Harris County Emergency Management
6922 Old Katy Rd
Houston, TX 77024
(713) 881-3100
https://www.facebook.com/pages/Harris-County-Emergency-Management/1499307043704265
https://www.readyharris.org/Incidents/Tropical-Storm-Imelda
https://www.facebook.com/ReadyHarris/
https://twitter.com/ReadyHarris

Jasper County Emergency Management
121 North Austin
Jasper, Texas 75951
(409) 384-6226
http://www.co.jasper.tx.us/page/jasper.EmergencyMGMT
https://www.facebook.com/JNSEMA
https://twitter.com/jaspercounty

Jefferson County Emergency Management
1149 Pearl St
Beaumont, TX 77701
(409) 835-8757
https://co.jefferson.tx.us/em.htm
https://www.facebook.com/JCESD4/

Liberty County Emergency Management
2400 Beaumont Avenue
Jail Administration Bldg.
Liberty, Texas 77575
936-334-3219
http://www.co.liberty.tx.us/page/liberty.Emergency
https://www.facebook.com/LibertyCountyOfficeofEM/
Matagorda County Emergency Management
Matagorda County Courthouse
1700 7th St.
Bay City, TX 77414
(979) 323-0707
http://www.co.matagorda.tx.us/page/matagorda.Welcome
https://www.facebook.com/MatagordaLEPC/
https://twitter.com/CountyLepc

9472 Airport Rd.
Conroe, TX 77303
(936) 523-3900
https://mctxoem.org/
https://www.facebook.com/mctx.oem/
https://twitter.com/mcoem?lang=en

Newton County Emergency Management
Newton County Courthouse
110 Court Street
Newton, TX 75966
(409) 379-5691
http://www.co.newton.tx.us/page/newton.Emergency
https://www.facebook.com/JNSEMA/
https://twitter.com/jaspercounty

Orange County Emergency Management
123 6th St.
Orange,TX 77630
(409) 882-7895
http://www.co.orange.tx.us/Emergency_Management.html
https://twitter.com/CountyOEM

San Jacinto Emergency Management
51 East Pine Avenue
Coldspring, Texas 77331
936) 653-3395
http://www.co.san-jacinto.tx.us/page/sanjacinto.emergency
https://www.facebook.com/SanJacintoCountyEmergencyManagement
Texas Division of Emergency Management
1033 La Posada Dr. Suite 370
Austin, Texas 78752-3832
(512) 424-2208
https://tdem.texas.gov
https://twitter.com/TDEM

The American Red Cross
American Red Cross of Greater Houston
1-866-526-8300
Serves Brazoria, Chambers, Colorado, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Houston, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Polk, San Jacinto, Trinity, Walker, Wharton counties.

American Red Cross of Southeast and Deep East Texas
1-866-526-8300
Serves Angelina, Hardin, Jasper, Jefferson, Nacogdoches, Newton, Orange, Sabine, San Augustine, Shelby and Tyler counties.

For updates on shelter availability, please visit: https://www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/find-an-open-shelter.html

Open Shelters:

- Calvary Baptist Church 816 North Blair Avenue, Cleveland, TX 77327
- MCTX East Montgomery County Senior Center 21679 McCleskey Rd., New Caney, TX 77357
- Wildwood United Methodist Church 8911 FM 1488, Magnolia, TX 77354
- Whites Park Community Building 225 White Park Dr, Anahuac, TX 77514
- First Baptist Church Hamshire 25304 TX-124, Hamshire, TX 77622
- Saint Simon’s and Saint Jude’s Catholic Church 26777 Glen Loch Road, Spring, TX 77381
- Orange County Convention and Expo Center 11475 FM 1442, Orange, TX 77630
- Beaumont Civic Center 701 Main Street, Beaumont, TX 77701
- Grace Community Baptist Church 22044 Burrell-Wingate Rd., Beaumont, TX 77705
- YYAFA 170 HWY 418, Silsbee, TX 77656

Texas Department of Transportation
125 East 11th St.
Austin, TX 78701
(800) 558-9368
https://www.txdot.gov/
https://www.facebook.com/TxDOT
As of 10:50AM Thursday Sept 19th:

Interstate 10 is CLOSED in parts of Jefferson and Chambers County due to flood waters. Multiple roadways in the area are flooded and closed due to the tropical depression. Flash flood watches and warnings have been issued across much of east and southeast Texas, and will remain in effect through tomorrow.

**United Way/211 Information and Referrals Lines**

These information and referral lines may know of additional resources currently providing assistance, such as food pantries, clothing closets, emergency shelters, and agencies offering financial assistance. Please call and provide your zip code and demographic information in order to receive referrals.

United Ways of Texas
https://www.uwtexas.org/2-1-1-texas-local-information-and-referral
Dial 2-1-1 or (877) 541-7905, or you can log on to 211texas.org.

**NATIONAL RESOURCES:**

**FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA)**

500 C Street SW
Washington, DC 20472
(800) 621-3362
http://www.fema.gov
Please visit the website and click on “Disaster Declarations”. If a disaster is declared, please call to apply for assistance by phone, or visit http://www.fema.gov/apply-assistance to apply online.

**DISASTERASSISTANCE.GOV**

https://www.disasterassistance.gov
Offers information about local resources for disasters, including: FEMA Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs), Red Cross, food, shelter, state emergency management agencies, and hospital locators.
To determine if individual disaster assistance is available through FEMA, please visit the website and enter the address.
To locate your local state emergency management agency for disaster information and updates, please visit http://www.fema.gov/emergency-management-agencies

**AMERICAN RED CROSS NATIONAL**

National Headquarters
2025 East Street, NW
Washington, DC 20006
(202) 303-4498 or (800) 733-2767
http://www.redcross.org
Please call or visit the website to locate your local chapter and open shelters.

AMERICAN RED CROSS SAFE AND WELL LIST
https://safeandwell.communityos.org/cms/index.php
Residents affected can notify their friends and family that they are safe by visiting the website and selecting “List Myself as Safe and Well.” Individuals can also search for loved ones by selecting “Search Registrants.”

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE
Weather alerts by state are available at http://www.weather.gov/alerts.

THE WEATHER CHANNEL

NATIONAL TRAFFIC AND ROAD CLOSURE INFORMATION
http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/trafficinfo

SAFE TRAVEL USA
http://www.safetravelusa.com

Free Help Line:
Optum, a leading health and behavioral health services company, is offering a free emotional-support help line.

The toll-free number, 866-342-6892, will be open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, for as long as necessary. The service is free of charge and open to anyone. Specially trained Optum mental health specialists help people manage their stress and anxiety so they can continue to address their everyday needs. Callers may also receive referrals to community resources to help them with specific concerns, including financial and legal matters.
Along with the toll-free help line, emotional-support resources and information are available online at https://www.liveandworkwell.com