

Sutherland Springs Church Shooting Resources
November 6, 2017

Texas Governor: Greg Abbott
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Austin, TX 78701
(512) 463-2000
<http://www.governor.state.tx.us>

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AUSTIN, Texas- Governor Abbott released the following statement on the shooting in Sutherland Springs, TX.

"While the details of this horrific act are still under investigation, Cecilia and I want to send our sincerest thoughts and prayers to all those who have been affected by this evil act. I want to thank law enforcement for their response and ask that all Texans pray for the Sutherland Springs community during this time of mourning and loss."

Governor Greg Abbott today ordered Texas flags across the state to be lowered to half-staff in honor of those lost in the horrific shooting in Sutherland Springs, Texas today. Flags should remain at half-mast through Thursday, November 9, 2017.

"There are no words to describe the pure evil that we witnessed in Sutherland Springs today," said Governor Abbott. "Our hearts are heavy at the anguish in this small town, but in time of tragedy, we see the very best of Texas. May God comfort those who've lost a loved one, and may God heal the hurt in our communities."

Wilson County Office of Emergency Management

LeAnn Hosek, Director
Courthouse Annex II
800 Tenth St., Building B
Floresville, TX 78114
(830) 393-8573
http://www.co.wilson.tx.us/default.aspx?Wilson_County_Emergency

No current information. Persons can register for emergency notifications and warnings by visiting <http://registry.i-info.com/rc/arc>

Wilson County Office of Public Safety

Edwin Baker, Director
800 Tenth St., Building B
Floresville, TX 78114
(830) 393-8503

No current information.

United Way of San Antonio and Bexar County (also includes Wilson County) 2-1-1

<https://www.unitedwaysatx.org/2-1-1>

This information and referral line may know of additional resources and support in your area. Please call and provide your zip code and demographic information in order to receive referrals.

From all local numbers, dial 2-1-1.

From all other numbers, dial (210) 227-4357

American Red Cross- Greater San Antonio

<http://www.redcross.org/local/texas/central-and-south-texas>

3642 east Houston Street
San Antonio, TX 78219
(210) 224-5151

Red Cross offers a counseling support service helpline for individuals who are having difficulty recovering emotionally from a traumatic experience or incident.

To reach out for free 24/7 counseling or support, contact the Disaster Distress Helpline at 1-800-985-5990 or text "TalkWithUs" to 66746.

Visit the following website for Red Cross helpful "Recovery Guides"

<http://www.redcross.org/find-help/disaster-recovery/recovering-emotionally>

National Victim Resources:

The National Center for Victims of Crime:

<http://www.ncvc.org>

2000 M Street NW, Suite 480

Washington, DC 20036

(202) 467-8700

The National Center for Victims of Crime is the nation's leading resource and advocacy organization for crime victims and those who serve them. Since its inception in 1985, the National Center has worked with grassroots organizations and criminal justice agencies throughout the United States serving millions of crime victims.

National Organization for Victim Assistance:

<http://www.trynova.org>

NOVA

510 King Street, Suite 424

Alexandria, VA 22314

24-Hour Hotline: (800) 879-6682 or (703) 535-6682

The National Organization for Victim Assistance is a private, non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization of victim and witness assistance programs and practitioners, criminal justice agencies and professionals, mental health professionals, researchers, former victims and survivors, and others committed to the recognition and implementation of victim rights and services.

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>

SAMHSA – Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

<https://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/disaster-distress-helpline/disaster-types/mass-violence>

Disaster Distress Helpline (800) 985-5990

A disaster or tragedy is unexpected and often brings out strong emotions. The Disaster Distress Helpline **1-800-985-5990** can provide immediate counseling to anyone who is seeking help in coping with the tragedy in San Antonio, TX.

The Helpline is a 24 hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week resource that responds to people who need crisis counseling after experiencing a natural or man-made disaster or tragedy.

Sponsored by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), the Helpline immediately connects callers to trained and caring professionals from the closest crisis counseling center in the nationwide network of centers. The Helpline staff will provide confidential counseling, referrals and other needed support services.

The Disaster Distress Helpline is a national hotline dedicated to providing disaster crisis counseling. The toll-free Helpline is confidential and multilingual and available for those who are experiencing psychological distress as a result of natural or man-made disasters, incidents of mass violence or any other tragedy affecting America's communities. The Helpline complements the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Federal Emergency Management Agency and other disaster response capacities, and is available immediately anywhere within the United States.

The helpline can also be accessed at <http://disasterdistress.samhsa.gov>.

The White House Briefing Room, Office of President Donald Trump

1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW

Washington, DC 20500

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2017/11/05/statement-president-donald-j-trump-regarding-attack-sutherland-springs>

November 05, 2017

Statement by President Donald J. Trump Regarding the Attack in Sutherland Springs, Texas

“Our thoughts and prayers are with the victims and families of today’s murderous attack in Sutherland Springs, Texas. This horrible act of evil occurred as the victims and their families were in their place of sacred worship. We cannot put into words the pain and

grief we all feel, and we cannot begin to imagine the suffering of those who lost the ones they loved. Our hearts are broken.

But in dark times such as these, Americans do what we do best: we pull together. We join hands. We lock arms. And through the tears and the sadness, we stand strong.

My Administration is providing its full support to the state and local authorities investigating this horrible crime. I have spoken with Governor Abbott, and we offer our thanks to the first responders who ultimately stopped the suspect and rendered immediate and lifesaving aid to the victims of this shooting. I will continue to follow developments closely.

All of America is praying to God to help the wounded and the families – we will never leave their side.”