COVID-19
GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE
NOTICES

UNITED STATES

- Department of Labor: COVID-19 and the American Workplace Website
  https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/pandemic
- Small Business Administration Provides Assistance (San Antonio Office)
  https://www.sba.gov/offices/district/tx/san-antonio
- Small Business Administration Paycheck Protection Program
  https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/paycheck-protection-program

Thursday, 04/09/20

- Federal Reserve Provides up to $2.3 Trillion in Loans to Support the Economy
  https://www.federalreserve.gov/newsevents/pressreleases/monetary20200409a.htm
- Secretary DeVos Rapidly Delivers More Than $6 Billion in Emergency Cash Grants for College Students Impacted by Coronavirus Outbreak
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Issues Guidance Practices for Critical Infrastructure Workers Who May Have Had Exposure to a Person with Suspected or Confirmed COVID-19

Tuesday, 04/07/20

- U.S. Department of the Treasury on Assistance for Small Business
  https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/top-priorities/cares-act/assistance-for-small-businesses
- McConnell Statement on Additional Funding for Paycheck Protection Program

Saturday, 04/04/20

- SBA Clarifies Eligibility of Faith-Based Organizations to Participate in Paycheck Protection and Economic Injury Disaster Loan Programs

Thursday, 04/02/20

- President Trump Announces Federal Support for Governors’ Use of National Guard in Response to COVID-19 to Include 100 Percent Federal Cost Share for 30-Days
Monday, 03/30/20
- FCC Announces Plan for $200M COVID-19 Telehealth Program for Health Care Facilities

Friday, 03/27/20
- Coronavirus, Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act – HR748 (enrolled)
  https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/748?q=%7B%22search%22%3A%5B%22hr748%22%5D%7D&s=1&r=1

Thursday, 03/26/20
- Federal Agencies Encourage Certain Banking Institutions to Offer Small Dollar Loans to Consumers and Small Businesses
  https://www.federalreserve.gov/newsevents/pressreleases/bcreg20200326a.htm

Wednesday, 03/25/20
- Major Disaster Declaration Issued for the State of Texas
  https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4485
- Federal Reserve Announces Measures to Support Economy
  https://www.federalreserve.gov/newsevents/pressreleases/monetary20200323b.htm

Monday, 03/23/20
- Federal Reserve Announces Measures to Support the Economy
  https://www.federalreserve.gov/newsevents/pressreleases/monetary20200323b.htm
- FEMA Announces Simplified Assistance Application for State, Local, Tribal and Territorial Governments and Eligible Private Nonprofits
- Small Business Administration Implements Automatic Deferment to Existing Disaster Loans

Saturday, 03/21/20
- Veteran’ GI Bill Benefits to Continue During COVID-19 Crisis – S3503
  https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/3503?q=%7B%22search%22%3A%5B%22s3503%22%5D%7D&s=1&r=1

Friday, 03/20/20
- IRS Moves Tax Deadline from April 15 to July 15
- FEMA Eligible Emergency Protective Measures Fact Sheet

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- Health and Human Services Office of Civil Rights Issues Guidance on Telehealth HIPPA Rules

Thursday, 03/19/20

Wednesday, 03/18/20
- Families First Coronavirus Response Act – HR6201 (enrolled)
- President Trump Invokes the Defense Production Act
  https://www.fema.gov/defense-production-act-program
- Federal Housing Finance Agency Suspends Foreclosures and Evictions for Enterprise-Backed Mortgages
  https://www.fhfa.gov/Media/PublicAffairs/Pages/FHFA-Suspends-Foreclosures-and-Evictions-for-Enterprise-Backed-Mortgages.aspx

Tuesday, 03/17/20
- Defense Secretary Dr. Mark T. Esper announced the Defense Department that up to 5 million respirator masks and other personal protective equipment items to include 2,000 deployable ventilators would be made available to the Department of Health and Human Services.

Friday, 03/06/20
- Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act – HR6074 (enrolled)

STATE OF TEXAS
- Governor Abbott’s COVID-19 Website
  https://gov.texas.gov/coronavirus
- Texas Department of Emergency Management COVID-19 Website (Grants and Information)
  https://tdem.texas.gov/
- Texas Health and Human Services
  Dial 2-1-1 option 1, https://www.211texas.org/ or
  https://hhs.texas.gov/services/health/coronavirus-covid-19

Saturday, 04/11/20
- Governor Abbott Eases Regulations On Physicians-In-Training To Increase Health Care Capacity In Texas

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Friday, 04/10/20
- Governor Abbott Announces Frontline Child Care Website For Essential Workers

Thursday, 04/09/20
- Governor Abbott, HHSC Announce Emergency Rule to Increase Supply of Direct Care Providers in Nursing Facilities
- Governor Abbott Waives Regulations, Expands Telehealth Options

Wednesday, 04/08/20
- Governor Abbott Temporarily Suspends Certain Statutes To Allow For Appearance Before Notary Public Via Videoconference
- Governor Abbott Announces Emergency Waiver Of Federal Match Requirement For Victims Services Grant Recipients
- Governor Abbott, HHS Announce Federal Approval Of Emergency SNAP Benefits
- Governor Abbott Announces Texas Military Department, Prestige Ameritech Partnership To Increase Mask Production

Tuesday, 04/07/20
- Governor Abbott Waives Certain Pharmacy Regulations To Increase Workforce Capabilities
- Governor Abbott, HHSC Announce Emergency Rule To Allow Off-Site Outpatient ESRD Facilities
- Governor Abbott Announces Temporary Closure Of State Parks And Historic Sites
Monday, 04/06/20
- Governor Abbott Announces Incoming Shipments Of PPE, Provides Update On Distribution In Texas
- Governor Abbott Announces Care.com Initiative To Increase In-Home Child Care Access For Frontline Workers
- Texas WIC Expands Eligible Foods, Launches Updated App

Thursday, 04/02/20
- Governor Abbott Suspends Regulations To Increase EMS, First Responder Workforce

Wednesday, 04/01/20
- Governor Abbott Announces $14.1 Million In Grants To Texas Military Communities
- Governor Abbott Announces Federal Stimulus Package To Help Texans Affected By COVID-19
- Governor Abbott, TDHCA Take Initial Action To Secure Financial Housing Assistance
- Texas Department of Insurance Modifies Rules to Make Getting Medication Refills Easier
  https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/TXINSUR/bulletins/2846e74

Tuesday, 03/31/20
- Governor Abbott Implements Statewide Essential Services And Activities Protocols
- Governor Abbott Announces Comfort Food Care Packages For Texas Youth And Families

Monday, 03/30/20
- Governor Abbott Announces Approval of 1135 Medicaid Waiver
- Governor Abbott Waives COVID-19 Medical Cost-Sharing for Public Safety Employees

Sunday, 03/29/20
- Governor Abbott Announces Increased Health Care Capacities and Extended Quarantines
- Governor Abbott Announces Texas Health and Human Services Commission Request of Section 1135 Waiver to the Support Healthcare Workforce in the Medicaid Program

Friday, 03/27/20
- Governor Abbott Announces New Processes to Preserve and Extend Child Care Capacity for Front Line Workers
- Governor Abbott Announces National Guard Deployment to Support COVID-19

Thursday, 03/26/20
- Governor Abbott Requests 1135 Medicaid Waiver
- Governor Abbott Requests Release of Federal Unemployment Funds

Wednesday, 03/25/20
- Governor Abbott Announces $16.2 million Federal Grant for Senior Citizen Meals

Tuesday, 03/24/20
- Governor Abbott Authorizes Restaurants to sell Bulk Retail Products from Distributors
- Texas Comptroller Announces Payment Assistance
  https://comptroller.texas.gov/about/emergency/
Monday, 03/23/20  
- Governor Abbott Announces Distribution of Federal Funding for COVID-19 Response  

Sunday, 03/22/20  
- Governor Abbott Increases Hospital Capacity and Announces Supply Chain Strike Force  

Saturday, 03/21/20  
- Governor Abbott Expands Nursing Workforce  

Friday, 03/20/20  
- Governor Abbott Postpones Runoff Primary Elections to July 14  
- Governor Abbott Waives Regulations to Support Pharmacy Operations  
- Governor Abbott Waives Health Care Fees For Incarcerated Texans In TDCJ Facilities  
- Governor Abbott Announces Texas Supreme Court Temporarily Suspends Evictions  
- Governor Abbott Announces Approval Of Emergency Designation For Small Business Disaster Loans From U.S. Small Business Administration  
- Governor Abbott Allows Event Permit Refunds for Businesses Affected by COVID-19  

Wednesday, 03/18/20  
- Governor Abbott Allows Postponement of May 2 Local Elections  
- Governor Abbott Directs DPS to Waive Driver’s License Expiration Dates  
- Governor Abbott and TEA Announce Student MealFinder Map  
Tuesday, 03/17/20
- Governor Abbott Activates Texas National Guard in Response to COVID-19
- Governor Abbott Waives Telemedicine Care Regulations

Monday, 03/16/20
- Governor Abbott Allows Virtual and Telephonic Meetings as Qualified Open Meetings
- Governor Abbott Waives Certain Vehicle Registration, Titling and Parking Regulations
- Governor Abbott Waives STAAR Requirements

Sunday, 03/15/20
- Governor Abbott Waives Alcohol Trucking Regulations to Allow Grocery Delivery
- Governor Abbott Waives Work-Study Regulations So Students Receive Funding During Closure

Saturday, 03/14/20
- Governor Abbott Fast-Tracks Licensing For Out-Of-State Medical Professionals
- Governor Abbott Waives Trucking Regulations to Expedite Food Delivery

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
- COVID-19 Information and Resource Website

TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
- COVID-19 Information and Resource Website
  https://www.county.org/Resources-for-County-Officials/COVID-19-Information-and-Resources
- Legal Resources for Counties Regarding COVID-19
  https://www.county.org/Legal/Legal-Resources-for-County-COVID-19-Response

BEXAR COUNTY
- Bexar County Emergency Management COVID-19 Response Website
  https://www.bexar.org/3234/COVID-19
- District Attorney’s Protective Order Unit and Online Application (Domestic Violence)
  https://bexarcountyprotectiveorders.org/information
- Tax Assessor-Collector Announces Customer Service Options
  https://www.bexar.org/1515/Tax-Assessor-Collector
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship Department COVID-19 Guidance
  https://www.bexar.org/129/Small-Business-Entrepreneurship-Dept

Friday, 04/03/20
- BiblioTech Offers Online Solutions for Stay Home/Work
  https://bexarbibliotech.org/edu

Tuesday, 03/24/20
- Commissioners Court Secures $5.25 Million in Interest Free Loans and Grants for Small Businesses (administered by the LiftFund)
  https://www.lifefund.com/ or (888) 215-2373

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
- Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Information Website
  https://www.sanantonio.gov/Health/News/Alerts/CoronaVirus#281783827-faq
  o FAQs on the Mayor’s Fifth Emergency Declaration (Stay Home/Work Safe)
  o COVID-19 Self Screening Tool
  o COVID-19 Hotline
    (210) 207-5779 or COVID-19@sanantonio.gov
    Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m to 7:00 p.m.
    Saturday – Sunday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Ready South Texas App
  https://www.readysouthtexasapp.com/

SAN ANTONIO METRO HEALTH
- Metro Health Hotline (210) 207-5779
  Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m to 7:00 p.m.
  Saturday - Sunday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
  https://www.sanantonio.gov/HEALTH

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CPS ENERGY

Monday, 03/16/20
- CPS Energy Continues to Serve While Practicing Social Distancing

Wednesday, 03/11/20
- CPS Energy Update Regarding COVID-19
- CPS Energy Will Not Disconnect Power During Corona Virus Crisis

SAN ANTONIO WATER SYSTEM

Tuesday, 03/31/20
- SAWS Provides Instructional Programs for K-12
  https://www.saws.org/education/student-programs/

Monday, 03/30/20
- SAWS Working with Local Agencies to Provide Toiletries to Families in Need
  https://www.saws.org/saws-working-with-local-agencies-to-provide-toiletries/

Tuesday, 03/17/20
- SAWS Closes Headquarters as a Customer Service Location Option
  https://www.saws.org/saws-closing-hq-customer-service-location/

Friday, 03/13/20
- Bottled Water is Unnecessary
  https://www.saws.org/bottled-water-rush-unnecessary/

Thursday, 03/12/20
- SAWS to Suspend Service Interruptions During Corona Virus Crisis
  https://www.saws.org/saws-supporting-assistance-to-ensure-clean-hands-for-health/

VIA METROPOLITAN TRANSIT
- VIA COVID-19 Response Website
  https://www.viainfo.net/covid-19/
  - March 31; VIA Moves to Saturday Schedules Beginning Monday, April 6 and Extends Fare Relief to April 30
  - March 24; VIA is an “Essential Service Provider” Operating During the City of San Antonio’s “Stay Home/Work Safe” Order
o March 21: VIA Begins Fare Relief Program Begins through 1 a.m. on April 1

ALAMO COLLEGES DISTRICT

Wednesday, 04/01/20

- Work-Study & Financial Aid Update