

FLOODING

TEXAS ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY SERVICES

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WHY IS FLOODING AN ENVIRONMENTAL INJUSTICE IN OUR COMMUNITIES

Traditionally environmental justice research focuses on health risks related to technological hazards such as air pollution and hazardous waste. As well Hurricanes and Tropical Storms generate major floods to Houston and disproportionately expose communities to environmental hazards associated with inundation.



RESOURCES

[Know Your Location Before You Call](#)

[Reporting Flooding](#)

[Live Road Conditions](#)

[Get Phone Updates](#)

[Ready Harris](#)

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The environmental injustices of flooding were galvanized during Hurricane Harvey, and many of us experienced it first hand, according to NOAA's preliminary data Hurricane Harvey dumped more than 51 inches of rain in Harris county, flooded hundreds of thousands of homes, apartment units and businesses and killed upwards of 80 people in the state. With every major hurricane and storm we are reminded of the effects of natural disasters and the importance of flood mitigation and disaster preparedness.

To prepare and address flooding impacts in our communities, it is vital to know the precise location of affected neighborhoods and their respective representatives. While Furr High School stands in zip code 77013, it serves students from various zip codes and neighborhoods, which is why we included a link to the City Of Houston Zip Code Reference guide for students to access resources accordingly. Knowing your location is vital when documenting and reporting man made disasters, crashes, or flooding events. Harris county is the third most populous county in the United States, with 34 incorporated cities, including Houston, and broken into 4 precincts, which often becomes a challenge for residents when identifying jurisdictional boundaries. As aid we have compiled a list of resources for residents to use for the collection of evidence and reporting of events to the county and precinct that served Furr High School. Proactive approaches for reducing flood risks and improving disparities can not be implemented if they were never reported. Communities have the power to bring awareness through citizen reporting and documenting.

Progress on post-Harvey flood control efforts remains slow. Here's why



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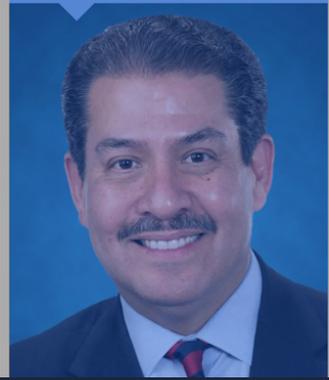
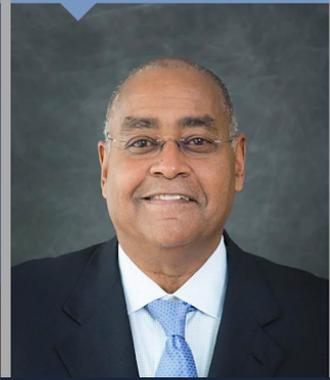
County Judge
Lina Hidalgo

Precinct 1 Commissioner
Rodney Ellis

Precinct 2 Commissioner
Adrian Garcia

Precinct 3 Commissioner
Steve Radack

Precinct 4 Commissioner
R. Jack Cagle



Commissioner Adrian Garcia is ahead of the neighborhood that serves Furr High School.



Elected Officials



Robert Gallegos
(Council Member)



Borris Miles
(District 13 - Texas Senate)



John Whitmire
(District 15 - Texas Senate)



Carol Alvarado
(District 6 - Texas Senate)



Adrian Garcia
(Precinct 2 - Harris County)



Rodney Ellis
(Precinct 1 - Harris County)



Ana Hernandez
(District 143 - Texas House)



Harold Dutton
(District 142 - Texas House)



Sylvia Garcia
(District 29 - U.S. House)



Sheila Jackson Lee
(District 18 - U.S. House)