City Administrator's Update

HIGHLAND HAVEN

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Together Through the Storm

Supporting Our Neighbors and Strengthening Our Resilience

Dear Highland Haven Residents,

As we reflect on the recent devastating flooding across Central Texas, our hearts go out to those who have suffered, particularly our neighbors in Kerr County and other hard-hit areas. While Highland Haven was spared the worst of the impacts, parts of Burnet County, including areas around Lake LBJ, experienced significant damage, with road closures, property destruction, and ongoing recovery efforts. I want to reassure you that our city is taking proactive steps to support our community and prepare for future challenges, while also providing ways for you to help those in need.

Supporting Our Community

The recent flooding has left many in Burnet County facing significant property damage or total loss, often without insurance or adequate support. The Ark of Highland Lakes is leading local relief efforts, distributing warm meals daily to flood survivors, first responders, and volunteers at two locations: 800 Industrial Blvd., Marble Falls (8 a.m.–10 p.m., 11 a.m.–2 p.m., and 4 p.m.–6 p.m.), and 204 E. Graves St., Burnet (look for the A.N.D.Y. Trailer at First Christian Church). Residents can contribute by donating food or supplies at these sites or making financial contributions to support long-term recovery, which may extend for years, as seen after the 2018 floods. For more information about The Ark of Highland Lakes, please visit: The Ark Flood Response. Local Highland Haven residents have already stepped up to help out, and if you'd like more information on who to contact to help, please reach out to cityadministrator@highlandhaventx.com

LCRA Water Safety Advisory

The Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) is urging residents to avoid boating on Lake LBJ, Lake Buchanan, and Lake Travis at night due to significant flood debris, including displaced boats and docks, which poses serious hazards. Daytime boating requires extra caution—boaters should slow down and watch for debris on and below the water's surface, as some marker buoys damaged by the floods may still be missing. Swimmers should stick to clear areas of the lakes, avoiding stagnant, smelly, or discolored water, as bacteria levels, including E. coli, remain elevated for weeks after flooding. For more information visit: LCRA Press Release - July 10.

Strengthening Our Disaster Preparedness

While Highland Haven avoided the catastrophic impacts seen elsewhere, we are committed to ensuring our city is ready for any future disaster. We are reviewing our emergency response plans to incorporate lessons from this event, including enhancing communication plans and coordination with Burnet County and other state and local agencies.

A Call to Come Together

Highland Haven has always been a community that steps up in times of need. Whether through donating, volunteering, or simply checking on neighbors, your support makes a difference. Let's continue to show our strength and compassion as we help our community recover and rebuild. My door is open for any questions or concerns. Thank you for your resilience and commitment to Highland Haven.

As always, stay informed, stay involved, and thank you for being an engaged part of our community!

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