

## HOUSTON INTERACTIVE

Every year, the City of Houston uses technology to better serve and communicate with citizens. Our City's website—Houstontx.gov—was recently updated to include interactive features that promote connectivity with customers while improving navigation features and accessibility. Although there are many valuable City webpages, the following webpages are highlighted for public-facing, interactive features.

### Office of Emergency Management Website

Houston Office of Emergency Management (OEM) [houstonoem.org](http://houstonoem.org) is the go-to website for City residents and departments to help them prepare for, cope with and recover from the effects of natural and man-made disasters. The OEM website includes information on how to sign up for Emergency alerts, how to prepare for emergencies, a link to Houston Recover [www.houstonrecovers.org](http://www.houstonrecovers.org), updates on the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) [www.houstonemergency.org/COVID19/](http://www.houstonemergency.org/COVID19/), OEM plans and programs including Healthcare Emergency Plans [www.houstonoem.org/plans-programs](http://www.houstonoem.org/plans-programs), as well as a guide to disaster preparedness and updates on live events. The OEM website is accessible in many languages.

**Website Address: [houstonoem.org](http://houstonoem.org)**



Figure 1 – Office of Emergency Management Homepage

## Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Updates

During the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic, the Office of Emergency Management and Houston Health Department created a webpage [www.houstonemergency.org/COVID19/](http://www.houstonemergency.org/COVID19/) to update Houstonians about COVID-19. The website includes information on how and where to get vaccinated [www.houstonemergency.org/covid-19-vaccines/](http://www.houstonemergency.org/covid-19-vaccines/), contact center details 832-393-4220, testing sites [www.houstontx.gov/health/NewsReleases/houston-health-department-expands-COVID-19-test-sites-to-anyone-wanting-to-get-tested.html](http://www.houstontx.gov/health/NewsReleases/houston-health-department-expands-COVID-19-test-sites-to-anyone-wanting-to-get-tested.html), number of reported cases with demographic information, vulnerability map by super neighborhood and daily updates from City, County and Federal Governments. The website also includes information about local risk, routine protective actions, frequently asked questions, communication resources, rumor control and emergency preparedness tips. In January 2021, the Houston Health Department opened vaccine clinics for front-line health care workers and long-term care facilities for people over the age of 65 years and those with severe medical conditions.

**Website Address:** [houstonemergency.org/COVID19/](http://houstonemergency.org/COVID19/)



### News & Alerts

## COVID-19 Services & Resources

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To maximize protection from the COVID-19 virus and prevent possibly spreading it to others, wear a mask indoors in public.

Figure 2 – Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Homepage

# Houston Recovers

Following the devastation from Hurricane Harvey, the City of Houston created a webpage to help Houstonians affected by flooding. Houston Recovers is a focal point for information on: debris cleanup, repair permits, mold prevention, mosquito control, flood risk reduction, housing assistance, donations, volunteer opportunities, business recovery resources and much more. The City teamed up with local and non-profit entities to give citizens a powerful resource during difficult times. The *Harvey by the Numbers* section provides interactive maps that illustrate the catastrophic impact of Hurricane Harvey on Greater Houston. This webpage also include links to local, state and federal resources for those impacted by the February 2021 Winter Storm. Visit Houston Recovers to find out more.

Website Address: [HoustonRecovers.org](https://HoustonRecovers.org)

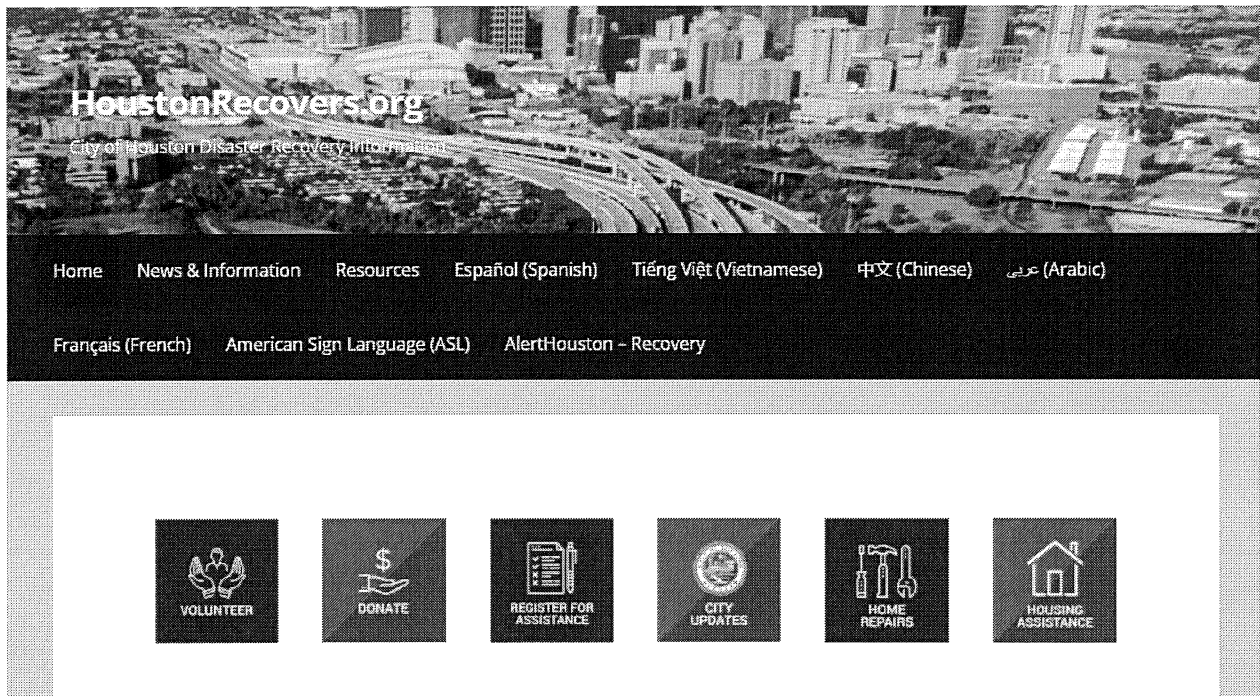


Figure 3- Houston Recovers Homepage

# Budget Bootcamp

Budget Bootcamp is a city website application that provides an interactive experience with city budget information through an easy-to-use dashboard. Budget Bootcamp was created during Houston’s inaugural Houston Hackathon and was the first project officially launch. Budget Bootcamp provides citizens with an educational walk-through of the City’s budget data – both for the most recent adopted budget, as well as all adopted budgets since Fiscal Year 2010. Check out this data visualization tool below to gain a better understanding of the City’s finances.

**Website Address:** [houstontx.gov/finance/budgetbootcamp.html](http://houstontx.gov/finance/budgetbootcamp.html)



Welcome to the City of Houston’s Annual Operating Budget Bootcamp.

**Budgetary numbers only include the Annual Operating Budget numbers for FY20 and prior years (not current budget numbers or actuals contained in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report) and include all intra- and inter- fund transfers.** If there are any problems, you can link directly to the dashboard by visiting this link. *Quick Tip:* If you get lost in the filters, click the reset button at the bottom of the dashboard.

**Note:** Budget Bootcamp presents the cost center names as they appear in the most recent budget for which the cost center number appears. This allows for easier grouping of cost centers names, but this name may be different for past years if the cost center was recently re-assigned.

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## Budgeted Expenditures

This dashboard allows you to slice and filter the City’s budgeted expenditures in multiple ways. Take some time to explore the various filter options, and do not worry - you can always click reset at the bottom of the screen to remove all filters.

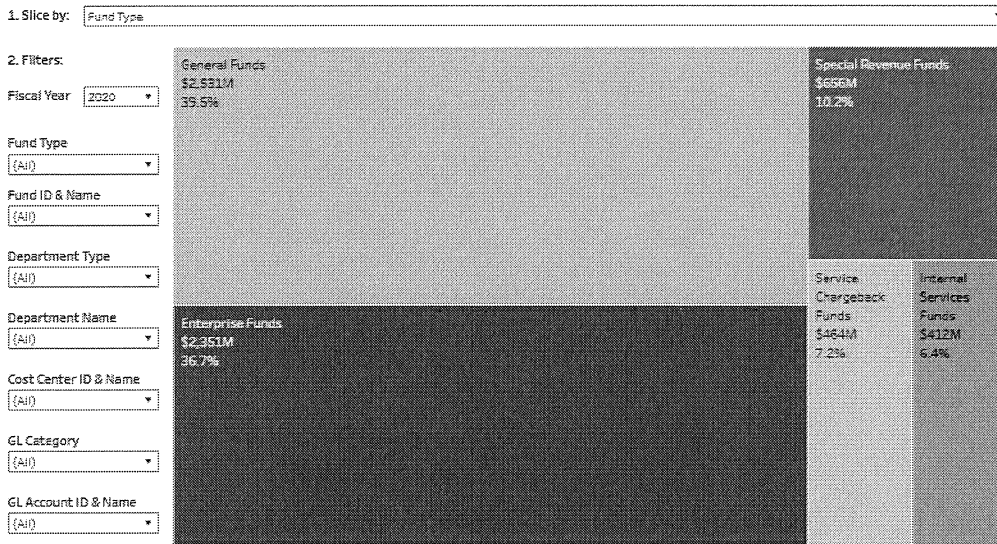


Figure 4 - Budget Bootcamp Homepage

## Houston Airports Passenger Website

The Houston Airport System [fly2houston.com](https://fly2houston.com) is the go-to website for IAH and HOU passengers, as well as for friends and family transporting passengers to and from each airport. The website includes a flight search feature and TSA wait times; parking availability, rental vehicle rates and reservations; airport maps and lounge directory; security and international travel information; airline information and a list of non-stop destinations worldwide; a complete searchable guide to dining (with menus) and shopping; ground transportation; the airport art collection and Harmony in the Air live concert schedules; and a list of nearby hotels with airport shuttles. There is also a link to provide online feedback, as well as a newsroom for the media.

Website Address: [fly2houston.com](https://fly2houston.com)

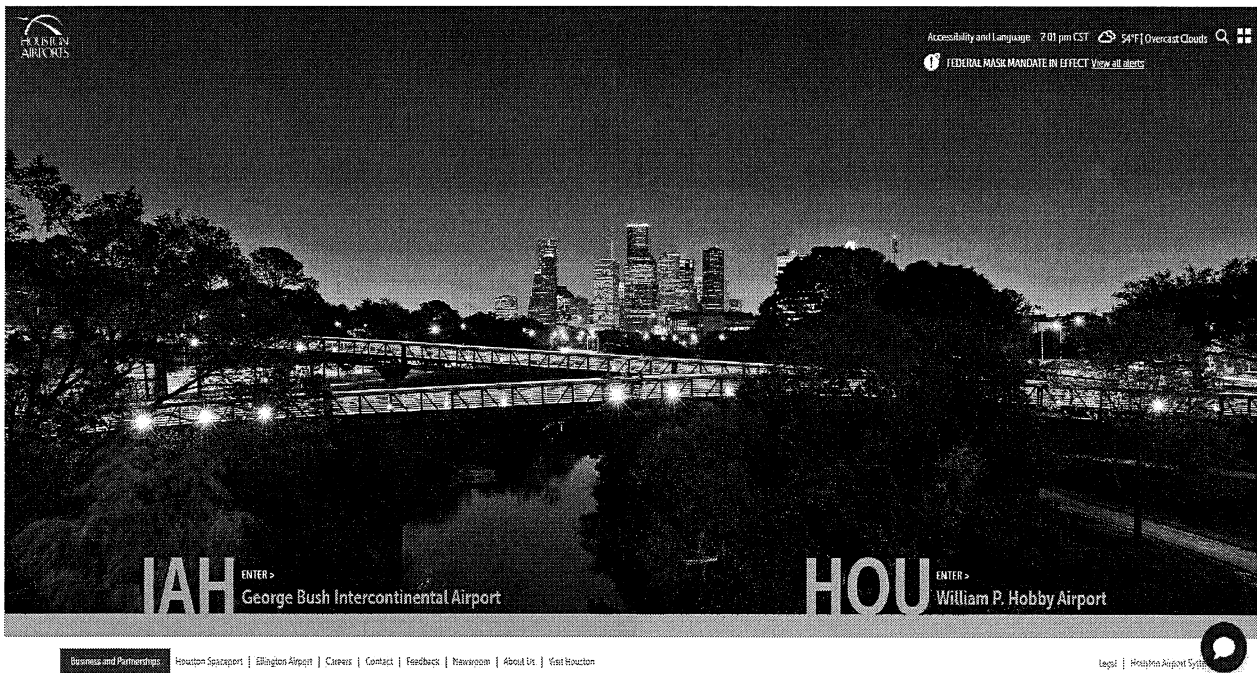


Figure 5 - Houston Airports Systems Main Page

## IAH & HOU Interactive Maps

The Houston Airport System's IAH & HOU browser-based interactive maps (app download not required) provide turn-by-turn wayfinding, including walking time estimates, between any two points at the airport for passengers. Find your way from curb to gate and back with ease. Each website provides a convenient search tool for restaurants, cellphone charging stations, shop listing and many other activities.



IAH Website Address:

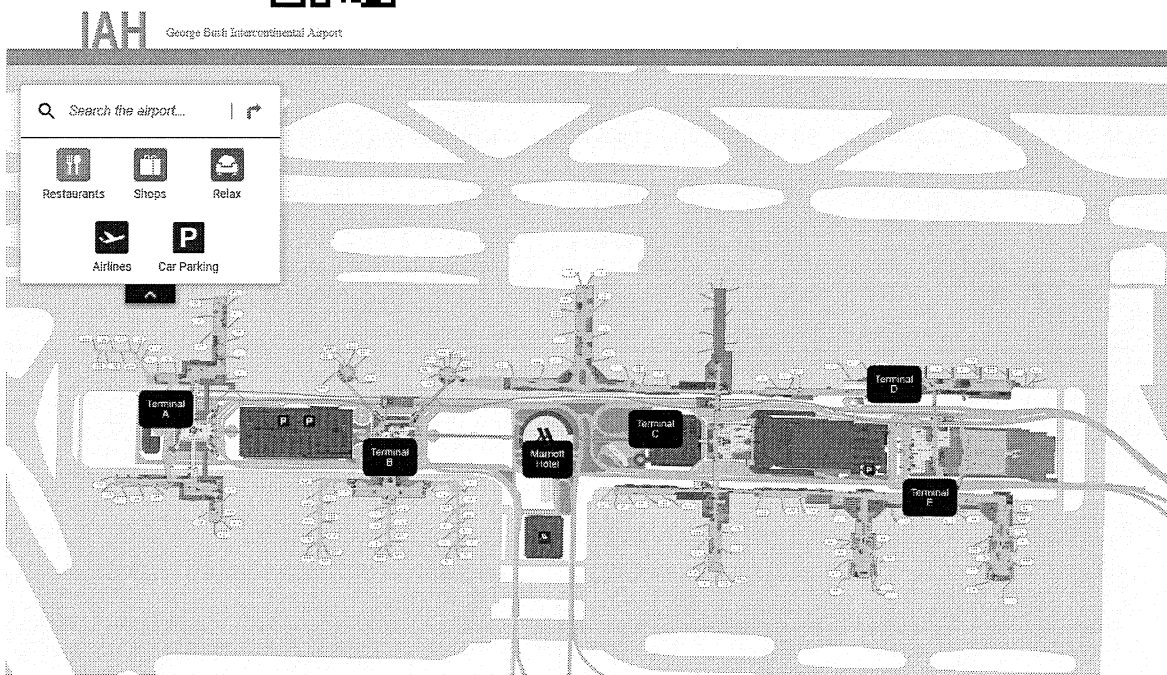


Figure 6 – Bush (IAH) Airport Interactive Map

HOU Website Address:

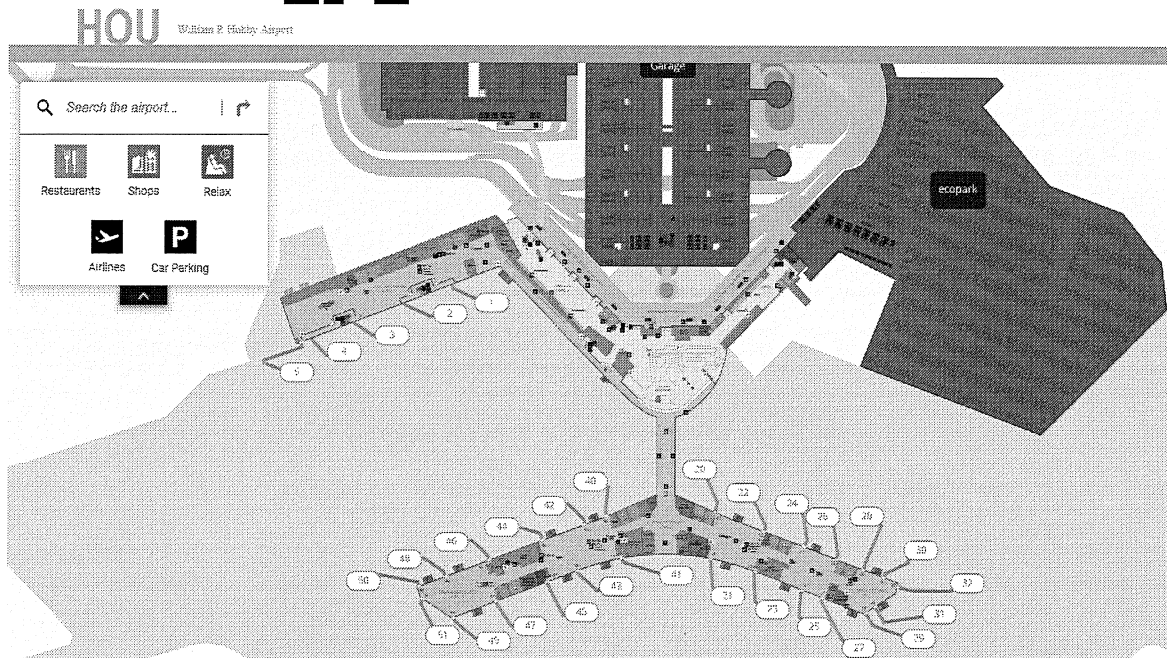


Figure 7 - Hobby (HOU) Airport Interactive Map

## Helpful Mobile Applications

### 311 Help & Info



iOS



Android

The Houston 311 app makes reporting issues easier than ever. The app uses GPS to identify your real-time location and allows you to add photos to your service request. Reports are automatically sent to the City's 311 system and routed to city departments for resolution.

### Houston Public Library



iOS



Android

The Houston Public Library catalog, access to your account, information about library locations, and more is now available through your mobile device. Wherever you go, you can now search for books, DVDs, audiobooks, and e-books, and place holds or renew items - all from your phone! You can also check out our latest reading recommendations, ask one of our professional librarians a question, find out about upcoming library events or classes, or follow our blog and tweets.

### Park Houston



iOS



Android

The City of Houston has partnered with Parkmobile to provide a convenient way to pay for parking using your mobile phone. The ParkHouston app takes the stress out of parking. No more searching for coins. With ParkHouston, starting your parking session takes just a few seconds. You can extend your session on-the-go (where permitted), as well as save "Favorite" locations. Users can also opt-in to receive notifications prior to their parking session expiring.

### Rollout!



iOS



Android

Rollout! is a simple app to make figuring out the City of Houston's trash pickup easy! Forget about peeking outside to see if your neighbor's bins are out. With Rollout!, we use your phone to determine your location and instantly let you view your schedule for your neighborhood. You can set up reminders to notify you when to take out your trash and to make sure you don't miss recycling day again.

## Helpful Webpages

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The Houston Department of Health and Human Services webpage is very easy to use and is a fast way to access information on services offered by the City of Houston Health Department for all Houstonians. For more information visit [houstontx.gov/health](http://houstontx.gov/health).

Ready  
Houston  
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The Ready Houston webpage is the Houston Region's official emergency preparedness webpage, brought to you by the City of Houston Office of Public Safety and Homeland Security. Its goal is to provide an all-inclusive, singular mobile resource for Houston-area residents to access accurate and timely information before and in the event of an emergency. The webpage includes options to: receive local weather and public health alerts, make a plan and keep track of your family and emergency contacts, build a kit, track your supplies and receive notices when it's time to restock, stay informed with direct access to emergency radio, news and weather updates, gain more information and watch videos on disaster preparedness, and use the emergency alert to notify your emergency contacts of your location. For more information, visit [readyhoustontx.gov](http://readyhoustontx.gov).

COHR



The City of Houston's Human Resources webpage provides access to a guidebook for municipal employees, as well as links to employee news and information on training, policy documentation and other useful resources. Real-time COH employee notifications are also featured on this webpage. For more information visit [houstontx.gov/hr](http://houstontx.gov/hr).