

Council Member Dave Martin's District E Newsletter

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Residents of District E,

As I write the October newsletter, I can't help but think of how quickly the last ten months have flown by. In reflecting back to January 2013, I think of the many things we, as a District E community have accomplished. In January, I was appointed to Budget and Fiscal Affairs (BFA); Ethics Council Governance; Transportation, Technology & Infrastructure committees and Health Benefits subcommittee by Mayor Parker. I was active in communicating and working with the Mayor's Administration, the BFA committee, and the Finance Department during the Fiscal Year 2014 budget process where the Mayor and City Council passed a \$4.5 billion operating budget. Currently, my office is working with the Department of Public Works and Engineering to reassign Houston Permitting Center employees to be officed in Clear Lake to provide a more accessible place for nearby residents to obtain city permits. Lastly, we were successful in allocating a one time grant to Space Center Houston to help fund the 747/Shuttle Endeavor for the conversion of creating a state of the art educational facility.

Separate from the budget, there have been many improvements in both sectors of District E some of which include the installation of a dedicated left turn lane and future design plans to construct a dedicated right turn lane on North Park Drive near Woodbridge Parkway to help mitigate traffic; South Shaver Road reconstruction; improvements to Frey Road in southeast Houston and improvements to Farley Road at Ellington Airport. Currently, I am working with the Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership and Dr. Bill Merrell from Texas A&M regarding a coastal storm surge protection system known as the Ike Dike. Lastly, I am working closely with the Lake Houston TIRZ #10 and the City of Houston as we acquired a 2.5 acre tract of land west of Highway 59 for a future public safety site.

I am proud of the work the District E community has accomplished in just a short ten months and I am honored that you the residents of this district have made the decision to keep me seated as your city representative for another two years. I was extremely grateful to not draw an opponent; however, my name will still appear on the ballot. I assure you that my office will continue to work with you and for you as we fight for what's right here at City Hall. I do want to remind you that every single Council Member, as well as the Mayor and City Controller will be on the November ballot. Don't forget you can vote for all five At-Large Council Members. It is our right as Americans to vote in all elections and it's important to make our voices heard. I encourage you to learn about each of the candidates and vote for

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Mayor's Citizens
Assistance Office
(832) 393-0955

Kingwood
Community Center
(281) 348-2570

City of Houston Solid
Waste Management

City of Houston
Public Works
Department

Department of
Neighborhoods

who you think will best serve you and the interests of the City. It's important voters are knowledgeable and elect representatives that are focused, committed and dedicated to serving the citizens of Houston.

For information purposes only:
First Day of Early Voting: Monday, October 21, 2013
Last Day of Early Voting: Friday, November 1, 2013
Election Day: November 5, 2013

Once again, I want to thank you for the opportunity to serve you at City Hall. I've been blessed to have gotten to know many residents of the district and I continue to be amazed at what great community leaders live in District E. I look forward to another two years of working with you for the betterment of our district and this great city in which we live.

Sincerely,



Dave Martin

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Lake Houston Area
Chamber of Commerce

Kingwood Chamber of
Commerce

Clear Lake Area
Chamber of Commerce

Southbelt-Ellington
Chamber of Commerce

Bay Area Houston
Economic Partnership

Kingwood Service
Association

Kingwood Super
Neighborhood Council

South Belt-Ellington
Super Neighborhood
Council

Upcoming Town Hall Reminder

Please join Council Dave Martin at one of two upcoming town hall meetings he is hosting in District E. The community is invited to attend to hear from city and community representatives about ongoing projects, issues and community news related to the Kingwood area.

Clear Lake

Monday, October 7
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
University of Houston - Clear Lake
Bayou Building, Garden Room

Kingwood

Thursday, October 10
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Kingwood Community Center

For more information, please contact Council Member Martin's office.

**Welcome to New HPD Captain Matthew May
at the Kingwood Substation**

Council Member Martin welcomes Captain Matthew May to the Houston Police Department's Kingwood Substation. Captain



Clear Lake Super Neighborhood



May is a native Houstonian who grew up on the southwest side of the city and graduated from Bellaire High School. He graduated from Texas A&M University in 1991 and earned his Juris Doctorate from the South Texas College of Law in 2004. Captain May joined the Houston Police Department in January of 1995 where he worked at the Central and



Westside Patrol divisions as a police officer. He then promoted to Sergeant in 2002 and served in the Emergency Communications Division, South Central Division, Homicide Division and Legal Services Unit. Captain May promoted to Lieutenant in 2009 and was assigned to the Special Operations Division. Kingwood is his first assignment as a newly promoted captain.

Kingwood BOPA



Solid Waste Management Department
and Council Member Dave Martin



present

The Kingwood Mobile B.O.P.A. Collection (Battery, Oil, Paint, Antifreeze)

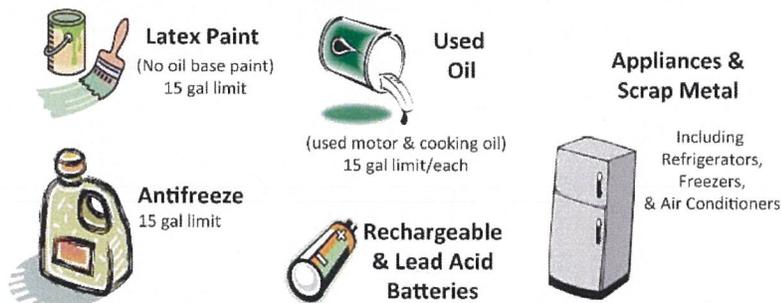
WHEN:
Saturday
October 26th, 2013
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

WHERE:
3210 W.Lake Houston Pkwy
at the Metro Park and Ride
Kingwood, Texas 77339

Must present driver's license or water bill as proof of residency.

No electronics accepted on 10/26. Next ewaste collection on 11/02

Only the following items will be accepted



Items NOT accepted

Paint without labels, Household Hazardous Waste/Chemicals, Business Waste, Medical Waste, Radioactive Waste, PCB's, Dioxins, Ammunition, Explosives, Compressed Gas Cylinders, Smoke Detectors, Household Trash or Tires.

Visit www.houstonsolidwaste.org or call 3-1-1 for additional information

Connect with us: @houstontrash /houstonsolidwaste

For more details visit:

www.KeepKingwoodGreen.org

(Stop by our tent to say "hi" and ask your local recycling questions!)



The City of Houston Solid Waste Management Department and Council Member Dave Martin are hosting a Mobile B.O.P.A. (Batteries, Oil, Latex Paint and Antifreeze) collection on Saturday, October 26 at the Kingwood METRO Park and Ride parking lot. All residents disposing of material must present a drivers license and water bill as proof of City of Houston residency.

Only the following items WILL be accepted:

- Antifreeze (15 gallon limit)
- Appliances such as air conditioners, freezers and refrigerators
- Latex paint (15 gallon limit)
- Rechargeable and lead acid batteries
- Scrap metal Used motor and cooking oil (15 gallon limit per container)

The following items WILL NOT be accepted:

Alkaline batteries, ammunition, business waste, compressed gas cylinders, dioxins, electronics, explosives, household hazardous waste/chemicals, household trash, medical waste, paint without labels, PCB's (polychlorinated biphenyl), radioactive waste, smoke detectors or tires.

For more information about the Kingwood Mobile B.O.P.A. collection, contact Sandra Jackson at sandra.jackson2@houston.tx.gov or 713.837.9164. To learn more about the Solid Waste Department, visit www.houstonsolidwaste.org

Kingwood Bizcom

On September 5, Kingwood Park High School hosted the Kingwood Bizcom. Council Member Martin gave an update about the construction happening on Northpark Drive, as well as issues relating to City of Houston. Other speakers included: Tony Austin (Kingwood Farmers Market), Lisa Drabing (Kingwood Park High School), Shannon Sharpe (Humble ISD school safety), Angela Conrad (Humble ISD Board of Trustees), Pct. 4 Montgomery County Commissioner Ed Rinehart, and Melinda Stephenson (Kingwood Medical Center). Council Member Martin thanks the Lake Houston Area Chamber of Commerce for inviting him to address the citizens, organizations and businesses in the Kingwood area and to address the needs of the community.

Kingwood E-Waste Collection Record

During the month of September a new milestone was reached in the collection efforts of electronic waste in the Kingwood area. On September 7, The City of Houston and CompuCycle in coordination with Keep Kingwood Green organized an E-Waste recycling event and collected over 7.6 tons at the six hour collection at the Kingwood Metro lot. This increased the total to over 201 tons since the monthly collection began in November of 2011. Stay tuned to Council Member Martin's newsletter and Facebook page for more upcoming e-waste recycling events.

Village at Hickory Glen Apartment Homes Ribbon Cutting and Grand Opening

Community members, staff and City of Houston Housing Department employees attended the ribbon cutting and grand opening of the Village at Hickory Glen Apartment Homes on Friday, September 13. Council Member Martin's Chief of Staff, Allie Smart, presented the management of Villae at Hickory Glen with a certificate welcoming them and wishing the community much success in the Kingwood community

Kingwood Super Neighborhood Council Meeting

Council Member Martin's Chief of Staff, Allie Smart, attended the Kingwood Super Neighborhood Council meeting on September 18 at the Kingwood Community Center. She joined several other members from the community to learn more about city and state updates as well as to hear Jarrett Simmons from the Houston Airport System speak. Mr. Simmons updated residents about ongoing HAS projects at all three Houston airports.

The Super Neighborhood's next meeting will be held Wednesday, October 16 at 7:00 p.m.

12 Inch Waterline Installation

The City of Houston Public Works and Engineering Department began installing a 12-inch waterline along Magnolia Point Drive and Reba Lane on August 19. The construction is expected to be completed by February 4, 2014. While construction progresses, please be mindful of workers while driving.

Feel free to contact Council Member Martin's office at (832) 393-3008 or by email at districtc@houstontx.gov if you have any questions.

TAME Trailblazer at Kingwood Middle School

On Monday, September 23, 2013 the Texas Alliance for Minorities in Engineering's (TAME) mobile exhibit, known as the Trailblazer II, visited Kingwood Middle School. Students in grades 6-8 had the opportunity to visit the display which incorporates teachings in the classroom through seven hands-on exhibits. Explanations



and demonstrations were also provided by volunteers that highlighted fundamental concepts in science, technology, engineering and math.

As a former Humble ISD school board member, Council Member Dave Martin is supportive of programs such as the Trailblazer that supports STEM education, and has worked with TAME over the past year to coordinate an event for students in his council district.

The Trailblazer is a 40-foot trailer that houses a variety of engineering and science exhibits, which engages students, teachers and parents through hands-on activities. The Trailblazer II visits schools and community events statewide helping to raise students' awareness of and motivation to pursue careers in science, technology, engineering and math. The Trailblazer II is the only interactive science and engineering museum on wheels in Texas.

For more information about the TAME Trailblazer or to reserve the mobile exhibit for a future event, please visit www.tame.org/programs/trailblazer.

Lake Houston Area Chamber of Commerce's Third Tuesday Luncheon

On September 17, Council Member Martin's Chief of Staff, Allie Smart, attended the Lake Houston Area Chamber of Commerce's Third Tuesday Luncheon at the Kingwood Country Club. The luncheon, sponsored by Memorial Hermann Northeast, featured guest speaker Reid Ryan of the Houston Astros. Ryan spoke about the organization of the team and his role as the team's new president this year.



The next Third Tuesday Luncheon will be held on October 13 at the Humble Civic Center. The chamber will honor more than 55 Teachers of the Year for their work in education. The superintendents from each school district and the president of Lone Star College-Kingwood will recognize each of their teachers with an award of appreciation.

9/11 Heroes Run

The 9/11 Heroes 5K Run took place this year on September 7, at Ellington Airport. Council Member Martin participated in the event and briefly addressed attendees, volunteers and the community during the opening ceremony.



The 5K run is held annually in honor of those who lost their lives in the 9/11 terrorist attacks, as well as those who have served our country since: veterans, first responders, civilian, and military personnel. The 9/11 Heroes Run is a wonderful occasion for individuals and communities to thank their local veterans and first responders, and to honor those who have given their lives in service to our country. Part of the proceeds from the 2013 Houston race was donated to two local organizations, Assist the Officer & the Houston Fire Fighters Burned & Crippled Children's Fund. The remaining proceeds have been donated to the Travis Manion Character Does Matter Program and the Travis Manion Foundation Challenge Grants which supports veterans and families of fallen service members by providing funds to help them take the next step in their lives with resources such as life coaching, transition assistance, grief support, and mentoring to help them accomplish their goals.

Wounded Warrior Project's Clear Lake Office Grand Opening

On Thursday, September 12, the Wounded Warrior Project held a ribbon cutting and grand opening ceremony for their new office in Clear Lake located at 2200 Space Park Drive, Suite 100. Elected officials, staff, warriors and volunteers all gathered at the office to tour the new office space and commend the organization for the dedicated service to our military men and women. Council Member Martin had the opportunity to help request and obtain an official City of Houston proclamation, announcing September 12 as the official "Wounded Warrior Project Day" in the city. Help him welcome the organization to Clear Lake.



For more information about the Wounded Warrior Project please visit www.woundedwarriorproject.org.

Clear Lake PIP Meeting

On Tuesday, September 17, Council Member Martin's Director of Special Projects, Lauren Laake, with about 20 residents from the Clear Lake and Southeast Houston areas attended the monthly Positive Interaction Program meeting, otherwise known as PIP. Captain Mark Fougousse with the Clear Lake HPD Substation gave an update on crime in the area and actions that have been taken to mitigate it. As the featured guest speaker, Precinct 2 Justice of the Peace Judge Jo Ann Delgado, gave an 83rd legislative update citing examples of several of the bills that passed this session.



The PIP meetings take place every third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at Southeast Memorial Hermann Hospital located at 11800 Astoria Blvd. For more information, please visit www.houstontx.gov/police/pip.

BAHEP State of the Counties

On September 18, Council Member Martin attended the Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership's "State of the Counties" address with featured speakers Harris County Judge Ed Emmett and Galveston County Judge Mark Henry. Both Judge Emmett and Judge Henry gave an update on the climate of each county as well as goals slated for the future.



Baytran Luncheon

Council Member Martin had the opportunity to speak to the Baytran membership during their monthly luncheon on Thursday, September 19, at Cullen's. Council Member Martin spoke about a variety of district related issues including transportation and infrastructure as well as city wide related projects including the Hobby Airport expansion, Ellington Airport Spaceport, new Convention Center District developments, among others. Council Member Martin thanks Baytran's president, Barbara Koslov, for the invitation to speak and looks forward to being involved and available to the membership.



BAHEP Commercial Space Flight Discussion

On September 4, BAHEP hosted a public discussion about the future of commercial spaceflight. In particular, the discussion focused on a proposal for making Ellington Airport a licensed spaceport. Houston Airport System Director, Mario Diaz, spoke about the licensing needed by the Federal Aviation Administration and the different steps needed to be taken. Director Diaz says that Ellington could receive a license as early as 2014.

In July 2013, Houston City Council supported and approved a \$718,900 contract that would give the Houston Airport System (HAS) a license which would let Ellington Airport become a nucleus for commercial spaceflight. A study done by HAS in 2012 found that it would cost between \$48-122 million in order to set up and prepare Ellington to launch space vehicles. Diaz believes the Bay Area is a fitting place for a commercial spaceport, especially with NASA Space Center and other space related companies close by.

Johnson Space Center Presentation to HFD Station 68

In June, thousands from the community and across the state attended a public memorial service at Reliant Stadium to remember four Houston Fire Fighters from stations 51 and 68 who lost their lives fighting a fire on Friday, May 31. During the procession NASA provided a jet fly-over in memory of each of those that lost their lives. At the same time, a professional photographer captured the images and created two framed montages of the incredible photographs taken. The images serve as a reminder to both stations of their dedicated service to our great city and the day that the four brave individuals gave the ultimate sacrifice to help others.



During a ceremony on Friday, September 20 the two frames were presented to HFD Stations 51 and 68. Council Member Martin had the honor of speaking to these fire fighters who bravely continue to put their lives on the line for the safety of the citizens of Houston. Council Member Martin and those from NASA Johnson Space Center voiced their appreciation for their service while continuing to recognize their loss. Captain Matthew Renaud, Engineer Operator Robert Bebee, Fire Fighter Robert Garner and Fire Fighter Anne Sullivan will always be remembered.

TAME Trailblazer and Boeing Proclamation Presentation at City Hall

On Tuesday, September 24, Council Member Martin had the opportunity to welcome Boeing's Deputy Program Director, Mark Mulqueen; Director of Safety and Mission Assurance, Darrell Warner; Director of State and Local Government Operations, Darcie Durham; Manager of ISS System Safety, Reliability and Maintainability, Michael Granberry; and Manager of



State and Local Government Operations, Brian Freedman to City Hall to accept an official city proclamation. Boeing has been committed to utilizing their experience and capabilities to support numerous education efforts. Specifically the sponsorship of the Texas Alliance for Minorities in Engineering's (TAME) mobile exhibit known as the Trailblazer, which is designed to help inspire the next generation of explorers to study science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) subjects and become Houston's future.

Council Member Martin has worked closely with Boeing to host the TAME Trailblazer at City Hall and within his council district. He thanks all those involved for providing an opportunity to showcase and highlight the STEM subjects to the teachers, students and future leaders in District E.

Bay Area Republican Women's Club Luncheon

Council Member Martin's Chief of Staff Allie Smart, and Director of Special Projects, Lauren Laake, attended the Bay Area Republican Women's Club luncheon held on Wednesday, September 25. Harris County Commissioner Jack Morman provided the membership with an overview of the portion of the county he represents as well as issues affecting the entire county as a whole. With shared constituencies, Council Member Martin looks forward to working with Commissioner Morman to better serve the



residents of Clear Lake and Southeast Houston.

Expedition 37 Launch

Council Member Martin and his staff joined Senator Larry Taylor's office for a tour of the Space Vehicle Mockup Facility at NASA Johnson Space Center on September 25. During the tour the offices learned about the current status of the International Space Station Program, Orion Program as well as where NASA stands with a Commercial Crew Program. Following the tour, the two offices had the opportunity to observe the Lift Off of Expedition 37, which took three new crew members to the International Space Station and will return March 2014.



New Orleans Coastal Barrier Tour

On September 4, Council Member Martin along with Bob Mitchell and Dan Seal from BAHEP, Dr. Bill Merrell from Texas A&M Galveston, and other elected officials from the area visited and toured the Greater New Orleans Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System that was installed by the United States Corps of Engineers following Hurricane Katrina. The purpose of the tour was to learn more about the successes following the installation of this system and how to mirror that with a similar system being proposed for Bay Area Houston known as the "Ike Dike"

The Ike Dike is a proposed plan to build a 17 foot wall along the coast's dune line which would, in essence, stop storm surge at the coastline. This wall would be built using the same, proven technology used in the Delta Works project in the Netherlands, which constructed gates and barriers along their coast. The wall would protect the entirety of Galveston, Galveston Bay, Houston, the Port of Houston, as well as the Ship Channel, Chambers County, and Brazoria County. The Governor's Commission on Recovery and Renewal reviewed the Ike Dike concept and recommended that a six county public corporation be formed on the upper Texas coast to deal with storm surge and regional recovery strategies.

On average, the Houston/Galveston area is hit by a hurricane every 15 years. Hurricane Ike caused about \$30 billion in damages, loss of life, and considerable damage to the natural environment, however, future hurricanes have the potential of being a great deal more destructive. It is thought that a "Katrina-like" storm would cause aggregate losses to the Texas economy of \$73 billion in gross product, \$61.3 billion in income, and 863,000 jobs. Also, the Houston/Galveston area is home to the largest and most important concentration of petroleum refining and petrochemical processing plants in the United States.

Council Member Martin believes that it is our responsibility to lessen our vulnerabilities and protect our coastal investments, as well as our city. He

believes that the coastal spine technology is technically feasible, economically sound, environmentally friendly, and socially just.

Southwest Airlines' International Terminal Ground Breaking Ceremony

On Monday, September 30, Council Member Martin joined Mayor Parker and the rest of his City Council colleagues at Hobby Airport to celebrate the ground breaking of Southwest Airlines' new international terminal. The new terminal, which was voted on and approved by Houston City Council last year, will add five new gates to an international terminal servicing Mexico, the Caribbean and northern South America. The additional gates are expected to accommodate nearly one million more passengers as well as to add \$1.5 billion to the local economy and 10,000 new jobs.



Constitution Amendments on Ballot

There are several constitutional amendments on this November's ballot, two of which are important for District E.

Prop 3: The proposed constitutional amendment will increase the number of days business inventory, such as aircraft parts, may be warehoused in Texas without being subject to the property tax. With voters' approval, local governments can permit Texas aerospace and aircraft manufacturing companies to warehouse parts in Texas for two years without penalty, instead of the current six-month limit. Today, Texas is one of only 11 states that levy a general property tax on inventory. More inventory means more jobs and more local revenue.

Prop 6: The proposed constitutional amendment would establish a State Water Implementation Fund for Texas (SWIFT). Contingent on the passage of the amendment, \$2 billion will be transferred from the State's Economic Stabilization Fund to the SWIFT.

New Voter ID Law in Effect

On behalf of Harris County Clerk Stan Stanart, Council Member Martin would like to remind District E constituents about the new Texas Voter ID law which now requires voters to present an approved form of photo identification to vote in person. Acceptable credentials for voting include a Texas drivers license, Texas Election



Identification Certificate issued by DPS, Texas personal identification card issued by DPS, Texas concealed handgun license issued by DPS, United States military identification card containing the person's photograph, United States citizenship certificate containing the person's photograph or a current United States passport. The law is now in effect and will be in place during the November 5, 2013 election.



Please contact Harris County Clerk Stanart's office at (713) 755-6411 should you have any questions or need further clarification.

Mobile Stations to Issue Election Identification Certificates Across Texas Beginning Oct. 1

Texas Public Safety Commission Chair Cynthia Leon and Texas Secretary of State John Steen announced last month that Election Identification Certificates (EIC) will be available at 25 EIC mobile stations, which will begin deploying across the state the first week of October. These mobile stations, which will issue EICs only, are part of an ongoing effort to provide EICs to Texans in need of photo identification now required to vote in elections in Texas.

To view the current schedule of EIC mobile station locations and for updates to the schedule, visit www.VoteTexas.gov.

Free Fall 2013 Immunizations

The Houston Fire Department (HFD) and the Care Van Program are teaming up again to provide Houston area children with free childhood immunizations for children birth up to 18 years whose families have no insurance, are underinsured or are on Medicaid. Children with CHIP (Children's Health Insurance Program) or private insurance will not be accepted. Remember: For each clinic, a parent or adult guardian must accompany the child(ren) and provide the updated immunization records for each child.



To see a complete list of all fall 2013 clinics in English and Spanish, visit www.houstontx.gov/citizensnet/2013fallimmunizationschedules.pdf.

For additional information visit www.houstonfire.org, www.carevan.org or contact Paul Box at paul.box@houstontx.gov or 832.394.6636.

The City of Houston Partners with the Houston Furniture Bank

The City of Houston's Solid Waste Management Department (SWMD), in partnership with The Houston Furniture Bank, has launched a pilot program to recycle mattresses. Instead of going to the landfill, mattresses dropped off at two of the City's six Neighborhood Depository and Recycling Centers (depositories), will be delivered to The Furniture Bank where the mattresses will be deconstructed and the materials recovered will be recycled into new products. The two containers used to house the mattresses were generously donated by BBVA Compass Bank to The Houston Furniture Bank.

Mattresses are accepted at all six depositories; however, only the mattresses dropped off at the 2240 Central Street, Houston 77017 and 5565 Kirkpatrick, Houston 77028 depositories are diverted for recycling. Other locations for mattress drop off may be added in the future.

All depositories are open:

Wednesday through Sunday 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. (Daylight Savings Time)
9 a.m. - 6 p.m. (Non-Daylight Savings Time)

Houston residents may use the depositories four times per month and are encouraged to arrive at least 30 minutes before closing time to allow adequate time to unload. Each user must provide a Texas Drivers License or ID and a current utility bill or city property tax receipt as proof of residency.

To learn more about SWMD, visit www.houstonsolidwaste.org.

Junk Waste Month

As a friendly reminder, the city of Houston's Solid Waste Management will pick up "Junk Waste" during the month of October. "Junk Waste" is defined as items such as furniture, appliances and other bulky material.



Placement Instructions:

- Junk Waste should be placed adjacent to the front curb in a location easily accessible to the collection vehicle between the hours of 6:00 p.m. the Friday before and 7:00 a.m. on the scheduled collection day.
- Junk Waste should not be stacked under low overhead electrical wires or other cabling, signs, or mailboxes; next to fences or posts; or on top of water meters, gas meters, fire hydrants, or other exposed utility components.
- Materials should not be placed in the street, on the sidewalk, or other right-of-way, or in any manner which would interfere with pedestrian or vehicular traffic.
- Junk Waste collection is limited to occupied residential units and vacant residential lots only if the waste generated is in connection with the maintenance of the property.

Restrictions:

- No more than eight cubic yards of Junk Waste may be placed at the

curb for collection.

- A maximum of four cubic yards of building material (not to include roofing shingles, brick, plaster or concrete) generated by the resident in connection with the maintenance of the residential property may be collected by Solid Waste Management Department crews.
- Appliances containing refrigerant must have a tag attached to them certifying a qualified technician has removed the refrigerant.
- The SWMD is not allowed to collect any material that was generated by contractors who were retained by a resident to perform work on his or her residential property. It is the responsibility of the contractor to remove all debris that may arise from the contractor's activities. These contractor-related activities include, but are not limited to: trimming and removal of trees, remodeling, new construction and roofing.
- If authorized items placed for collection are mixed with unauthorized items, department personnel shall not be obligated to sort the materials and may refuse the entire load.

Solid Waste Management Department collection services are not available to multi-residential structures of more than eight units.

Upcoming Events

Please refer to Council Martin's District E [website](#) for location, time and more event details. Email the District E office if you would like us to include your upcoming event in future newsletters!



City Wides

October 1

National Night Out

October 12

Houston Fire Department's Youth Fire Ops: Intro to Firefighting

October 19

Houston Fire Department's Youth Fire Ops: Fire Fest Field Day

October 26

Emancipation Park Ground Breaking

Kingwood

October 2

Lake Houston Area Chamber of Commerce's Elected Officials Reception

October 9

Kingwood Chamber of Commerce's Wild Card Luncheon

October 9

Kingwood Area Republican Women's Club Meeting

October 9

KSA Public Safety Meeting

October 10

Kingwood Town Hall Meeting

October 10

Lake Houston Area Chamber of Commerce's Tasting the Town

October 13

Lake Houston Area Chamber of Commerce's Third Tuesday Luncheon

October 17

Kingwood Chamber of Commerce's Monthly Breakfast

October 26

Kingwood B.O.P.A.

October 26

Medication Take Back Event

Southeast Houston/Clear Lake

October 7

Clear Lake Town Hall Meeting

October 10

South Belt Ellington Chamber of Commerce's Evening of Cuisine

October 12

Clear Lake City Community Association's Fall Festival

October 26

Space Center Rotary's Shrimporee

October 26

Medication Take Back Event

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