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OVERVIEW

The following is a report of public service programming for the 2nd quarter of 2020. During which time, the top issues of community interest & concerns were found to be:

- Animal Welfare
- Community Events & Services
- Community Support
- Education & Literacy
- Environment
- Financial/Economics
- Government/Legal
- Health & Wellness
- Personal Development
- Social services, (e.g. public housing, social welfare, food subsidies, etc...)
- Youth Outreach

In order to meet these issues, KHPT-FM airs (2) locally produced 30-minute public affairs programs on Sundays called “Community Houston” between 5:00am – 6:00am. Additionally, KHPT-FM helps meet community issues through daily programming.

Thank you,

Linda Lynn

ISSUE-RELATED PROGRAMMING

ANIMAL WELFARE

DATE AND TIME AIRED	PROGRAM TITLE	GUEST	ORGANIZATION	DESCRIPTION OF DISCUSSION	DURATION
04/05/2020 5:00am	Community Houston	Natalie Freshour	Hot Mess Pooches	Hot Mess Pooches is a 501c3 charity focusing on rescuing dogs with special needs. The organization specializes in rescuing deaf dogs and placing them across the country. Natalie shared the mission, operations, and fundraising efforts of the organization, and how the public can help in the effort.	30:00
05/10/2020 5:00am	Community Houston	Natalie Freshour	Hot Mess Pooches	Hot Mess Pooches is a 501c3 charity focusing on rescuing dogs with special needs. The organization specializes in rescuing deaf dogs and placing them across the country. Natalie shared the mission, operations, and fundraising efforts of the organization, and how the public can help in the effort.	30:00
06/21/2020 5:30am	Community Houston	Meher Paysay	Texas 4000	Texas 4,000 is a 501c3 charity organization that raises money for cancer causes through an annual bicycle ride from Austin, Texas to Anchorage, AK. Meher Paysay discussed the organization's mission and discussed details of this year's "virtual" event	30:00

COMMUNITY EVENTS & SERVICES

DATE AND TIME AIRED	PROGRAM TITLE	GUEST	ORGANIZATION	DESCRIPTION OF DISCUSSION	DURATION
06/07/2020 5:30am	Community Houston	Claudia Gee Vassar	Houston Botanic Garden	Houston Botanical Garden is a 501c3 organization committed to operating a new center in near southeast Houston with a mission to provide green space, educational operations, and nature conservancy facilities. Dr Vassar discussed the funding, development progress, and timeline for the planned October opening, how the garden will serve the community, and opportunities for community involvement and support.	30:00

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

DATE AND TIME AIRED	PROGRAM TITLE	GUEST	ORGANIZATION	DESCRIPTION OF DISCUSSION	DURATION
04/26/2020 5:30am	Community Houston	Shannon Murray & Susan Leining	Big Love	Big love is a 501c3 organization that focuses on the needs of families of cancer patients. The organization provides hands-on assistance to families during hospital stays, treatments, and post hospital treatment. Services include all domestic needs, transportation, moral support and more.	30:00
06/14/2020 5:30am	Community Houston	Gina Spagnola	Galveston Chamber of Commerce	The Galveston Chamber of Commerce is a force for Galveston businesses, promoting commerce and providing various services to the business community including educational efforts to community youth. Spagnola discussed the chamber's work and how it helps the community. She also discussed how the chamber is helping business during the pandemic.	30:00
06/28/2020 5:30am	Community Houston	Robert Simpson	Houston Chamber Choir	The Houston Chamber Choir is a 501c3 charity organization that focuses on music education and exposure to the arts. Simpson discussed the choir's recent Grammy award and how the choir assists in educational initiatives. Also discussed was the choir's event schedule and need for sponsorships.	30:00

EDUCATION/LITERACY

DATE AND TIME AIRED	PROGRAM TITLE	GUEST	ORGANIZATION	DESCRIPTION OF DISCUSSION	DURATION
05/03/2020 5:00am	Community Houston	Becky Lau	Archeology Now	Archeology Now is an education-based organization providing services since 1967, focusing on the Houston area's past and the study of archeology in southeast Texas. Ms. Lau discussed the importance of historical education and connecting the past with the present. Also discussed was the organization's involvement in the local community and how it serves education initiatives	30:00
05/24/2020 5:00am	Community Houston	Joe Betar	Houston Safari Club	Houston Safari Club is a 501c3 charitable organization that focuses on education of hunting and conservation, assisting various conservation efforts, and providing a wide range of services to hunting and conservation advocacy groups. The organization also hosts an annual fundraising event to raise needed dollars for programs and services.	30:00
6/21/2020 5:00am	Community Houston	John Willis	MIAT Technical College	MIAT Technical College is a Houston area trade school with a focus on high skill trades, especially in the aviation maintenance field. Mr. Willis presented information on the shortage of certified	30:00

				aviation maintenance professionals and the growing gap between supply and demand of trained personnel. Willis discussed the school's efforts in meeting the increase in demand and how the school works with local charities, schools, and civic organizations to contribute to the community.	
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ENVIRONMENT/CONSERVATION

DATE AND TIME AIRED	PROGRAM TITLE	GUEST	ORGANIZATION	DESCRIPTION OF DISCUSSION	DURATION
4/19/2020 5:00am & 5:30am	Community Houston	Maryann Pianchantini	Katy Prairie Conservancy	The Katy Prairie Conservancy is a 501c3 organization dedicated to the preservation and development of prairie and wetland areas and the wildlife that thrive there. The organization focuses on education initiatives, active management of the prairie, and lobby efforts. Ms. Pianchantini provided an overview of the organization's history, mission, and current initiatives.	(2) 30 min. programs
05/03/2020 5:30am	Community Houston	Dr. Sarah Bernhardt	Bayou Preservation Association	The Bayou preservation Association is a 501c3 organization dedicated to the preservation and management of the 2500 miles of bayous in and around Houston. Dr. Bernhardt presented	30:00

				information about the association and how it works with community leaders, science entities, and others to protect the bayou system. She also discussed specific projects and an upcoming awards banquet to recognize significant contributions to the association.	
5/31/2020 5:00am & 5:30am	Community Houston	Maryann Pianchantini	Katy Prairie Conservancy	The Katy Prairie Conservancy is a 501c3 organization dedicated to the preservation and development of prairie and wetland areas and the wildlife that thrive there. The organization focuses on education initiatives, active management of the prairie, and lobby efforts. Ms. Pianchantini provided an overview of the organization's history, mission, and current initiatives.	(2) 30 min. programs

GOVERNMENT/LEGAL

DATE AND TIME AIRED	PROGRAM TITLE	GUEST	ORGANIZATION	DESCRIPTION OF DISCUSSION	DURATION
04/12/2020 5:30am	Community Houston	Mayor Jeff Wagner; Christina Womack, President Chamber of Commerce; Frank Bengochea, Emergency Management Coordinator	City of Pasadena - Coronavirus Response	Mayor Wagner, discussed his city's response to the Coronavirus pandemic and plans for recovery	30:00

HEALTH & WELLNESS

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04/26/2020 5:30am	Community Houston	Shannon Murray & Susan Leining	Big Love	Big love is a 501c3 organization that focuses on the needs of families of cancer patients. The organization provides hands-on assistance to families during hospital stays, treatments, and post hospital treatment. Services include all domestic needs, transportation, moral support and more.	30:00
5/10/2020 5:30am	Community Houston	Megan Martin and Clayton Goldberg	Teen and Family Services	Teen and Family Services is a 501©3 organization committed to providing teens and entire family the tools, skills, and knowledge to deal with substance abuse problems in a holistic way. They focus on fostering success that will continue after families graduate from our program and provide guidance and strength that will remain with you for a lifetime. At TAFS, our goal is to help your teen achieve continued abstinence, increased empathy, consistency in relationships, help leading a life of fulfillment and success, and improved communication.	30:00
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PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

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06/07/2020 5:00am	Community Houston	Steve Lufburrow	Goodwill Industries	Goodwill Industries is a non-profit organization that assists needy persons in job skills, education, and lifestyle support. Mr. Lufburrow discussed the Goodwill mission, history, and how the organization impacts the community	30:00

SOCIAL SERVICES

DATE AND TIME AIRED	PROGRAM TITLE	GUEST	ORGANIZATION	DESCRIPTION OF DISCUSSION	DURATION
04/05/2020 5:30am	Community Houston	Brandon Casa	Attack Poverty	Attack poverty is a 501c3 organization that focuses on assisting poverty-stricken citizens in educational, vocational, and social initiatives. Mr. Casa explained the mission and how the organization connects with clients, sponsors, and government agencies to coordinate the needs of the community.	30:00
05/17/2020 5:00am	Community Houston	Brandon Casa	Attack Poverty	Attack poverty is a 501c3 organization that focuses on assisting poverty-stricken citizens in educational, vocational, and social initiatives. Mr. Casa explained the mission and how the organization connects with clients, sponsors, and government agencies to coordinate the needs of the community.	30:00

YOUTH OUTREACH

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04/05/2020 5:00am	Community Houston	Kevin Hattery	Boys & Girls Club	Boy & Girls Clubs is a longstanding 501c3 focusing on youth development for kids between 6 and 17 years old. Kevin discussed the organization's reach across the community and the many ways it helps youth develop life skills. He also shared success stories and how the public can get involved.	30:00
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5/17/2020 5:30am	Community Houston	Gay Jackson	Lemonade Day Houston	Lemonade Day Houston is a 501c3 organization with a mission to teach children entrepreneurship and essential skills by operating lemonade stands. The organization provides leadership and resources for program participants and establishes partnerships to assist in funding efforts.	30:00
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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

(PSA's are :15 and :30 spots that run Midnight to Midnight)

DATES AIRED	ORGANIZATION	TOPIC	ISSUE / CATEGORY	NUMBER OF TIMES AIRED
April 1-June 30, 2020	Ad Council-D	Job Training & Employment	Personal Development	66
April 1-June 30, 2020	Communities in Schools-A	PSA Back To School Season	Education	140
April 1-June 30, 2020	Cy-Hope-D	Hou Food Bank Dist.	Social Services	10
April 1-June 30, 2020	NAB Education Foundation-D	COVID19 PSA	Health & Wellness	58
April 1-June 30, 2020	TAB - Texas Association of Broadcasters-D	AIR FORCE RESERVE	Military	24
April 1-June 30, 2020	TAB - Texas Association of Broadcasters-D	Army National Guard Campaign '19-'20	Military	109
April 1-June 30, 2020	TAB - Texas Association of Broadcasters-D	GOV. ABBOTT/DSHS CORNAVIRUS PSA	Health & Wellness	21
April 1-June 30, 2020	TAB - Texas Association of Broadcasters-D	TX ARMY NATIONAL GUARD '20-'21 GRADUATE	Military	30
April 1-June 30, 2020	TAB - Texas Association of Broadcasters-D	TXDOT BE SAFE `20 #2	Health & Wellness	18
April 1-June 30, 2020	YMCA of Greater Houston-A	YMCA PSA.	Community Services	39

**KHPT Morning Show 5a-10a
April 1-June 30, 2020**

April:

4-1-20 – President Trump warns that the next few weeks may be difficult with the peak of Coronavirus related deaths expected during this time - Harris County Judge Linda Hidalgo extends “Stay-at-home” order from the original date of April 3rd to April 30th

4-2-20 – Almost 4,000 confirmed Coronavirus cases in Texas with 1,500 in the Houston area

4-3-20 – Over 6.6 million Americans have filed for unemployment benefits this week, there are more than 1,700 confirmed cases of Coronavirus in Houston with 22 deaths

4-6-20 – Nearly 2,500 confirmed case of Covid-19, with 39 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area – Texas Troopers are now screening travelers from Louisiana where they will have to complete a travel form under the new executive order of Governor Abbott

4-7-20 – Nearly 7,300 confirmed cases of Covid-19, with 140 deaths, have been reported in Texas. Almost 3,000 of those cases are in the Houston area – 24 HPD and 19 HFD first responders have tested positive for Covid-19 - Halliburton announced layoffs for Texas and Oklahoma due to reduced consumer demand, it has not been reported how many at this time. They have already furloughed 3,500 employees in North Houston

4-8-20 – Nearly 3,400 confirmed case of Covid-19, with 50 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area – The “Stay Home, Work Safe” order has saved a reported 4,500 Houstonian lives and has kept over 48,000 people out of the hospital according to a study done by the Kinder Institute – New projections indicate that Texas will peak earlier than previously thought according to Baylor College of Medicine, April 19th date for Covid-19 cases in the state, with the original date being set for May 2nd

4-9-20 – Nearly 3,800 confirmed case of Covid-19, with 64 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area – Warmer weather may not do more than slow the spread of Covid-19

4-10-20 – 27-year veteran HPD Detective Ray Cervantes in critical condition with covid-19 and has been in intensive care for a week – 4,550 confirmed cases of Covid-19, with 72 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area – Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner will close all 300 parks over Easter weekend

4-13-20 – At least 18 people have been killed after severe storms hit several southern states yesterday and early this morning, at least 11 people in South Mississippi and 6 in Georgia were killed – Governor Abbott will hold a press conference at 11am this morning to discuss plans on how to reopen Texas – Nearly 5,400 confirmed cases of Covid-19, with 86 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area

4-14-20 – The tornados that hit several southern states yesterday have killed at least 31 people and damaged over 1 million homes and business from Texas to the Carolinas – Over 5,500 confirmed cases of Covid-19, with 93 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area

4-15-20 – Nearly 5,900 confirmed cases of Covid-19, with 105 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area – A \$25 Billion bail-out for the airline industry has been approved, meaning that the government will have partial ownership

4-16-20 – President Trump is expected to unveil guidelines for reopening the US economy, while Governor Abbott is expected to announce a plan Friday when and how Texas businesses will reopen

4-17-20 – President Trump revealed his 3-phase, “Opening Up America Again” plan yesterday. This allows state Governors, who feel their states meet the guidelines, to move to phase 1 as early as today, however he did stress that there is no timeline for his plan – Governor Abbott will give a press briefing today on his plan to reopen Texas given the new federal guidelines – Nearly 6,500 confirmed cases of Covid-19, with 122 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area

4-20-20 – Nearly 7,300 confirmed cases of Covid-19, with 146 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area – Bassist Matthew Seligman passes away due to Covid-19

4-21-20 – Nearly 7,600 confirmed cases of Covid-19, with 153 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area– No bare bottom farting according to Austrian scientists, Covid-19 can be spread in a number of ways previously thought impossible – Sex scenes in movies might be a thing of the past due to Covid-19

4-22-20 – Nearly 7,800 confirmed cases of Covid-19, with 157 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area – The head of CDC warns of a second wave of Covid-19, expected this winter, which could be even more devastating then the one we are currently experiencing – There are reports of new symptoms of Coronavirus, dubbed Covid toes, where blue and purple lesions start to appear on a victims feet and toes that are painful to the touch which are developed before other symptoms – The Senate has approved \$484 Billion more for small businesses

4-23-20 – Over 8,000 confirmed cases of Covid-19, with 160 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area – Harris County residents will be required to wear a mask, which must cover both one’s nose and mouth, starting this Monday, those who don’t could be fined up to \$1,000 – The FDA has approved the first at home Covid-19 testing kit, which will be distributed in the next few weeks, a doctor’s prescription is necessary to acquire a kit

4-24-20 – Over 8,250 confirmed cases of Covid-19, with 171 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area – Harris County Judge Lina Hidalgo is being sued, by a Houston area doctor, for her face mask requirement which supersedes Gov. Abbott’s more relaxed order

4-27-20 – Over 9,000 confirmed cases of Covid-19, with 188 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area – Today is the first day of the mandatory face mask order, issued by Judge Lina Hidalgo, it will be in effect for the next 30 days – Galveston beaches are back open for limited times per day

4-28-20 – Over 9,250 confirmed cases of Covid-19, with 196 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area – Gov. Abbott will allow his stay at home order to expire this Thursday April 30th then phase one of his plan to reopen Texas will begin on Friday May 1st where restaurants, malls, retail stores, and movie theaters will be allowed to reopen, but only if they admit

25% capacity, while places such as gyms, barber shops, and bars will remain closed for the time – Oxford college says that the Covid-19 vaccine they are developing can be ready as soon as September if the British Government approves it
4-29-20 – Over 9,500 confirmed cases of Covid-19, with 211 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area while the US has exceeded 1 million confirmed cases

4-30-20 – Over 9,800 confirmed cases of Covid-19, with 221 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area – The FDA is to announce the first drug cleared for use against Covid-19, which was originally developed to combat Ebola

May:

5-1-20 – Over 10,130 confirmed cases of Covid-19, with 230 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area – Phase one of Gov. Abbott's plan to reopen Texas begins today, restaurants, malls, and movie theaters can reopen but must only admit a maximum of 25% capacity and must observe social distancing guidelines...strip clubs, bars, and tattoo parlors don't apply – Coronavirus is not manmade, though investigations are still being conducted in Wuhan to see if Covid-19 originates from a local research facility

5-4-20 – Over 10,900 confirmed cases of Covid-19, with 260 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area while the US has exceeded 1.2 million confirmed cases and nearly 68,000 deaths. President Trump has said that the death toll could reach 100,000 – Harris County Judge Lina Hidalgo has issued a stay-home-work-safe order effective through May 20th

5-5-20 – Over 11,140 confirmed cases of Covid-19, with 271 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area – Harris County Judge Lina Hidalgo is asking citizens to report businesses that are not complying with the stay-home-work-safe order to the authorities, 450 verified reports have already been issued – 5 Houston area malls open today, Baybrook, Deerbrook, Willowbrook, First Colony, and the Woodlands open at 11AM with some stores remaining closed

5-6-20 – Over 11,400 confirmed cases of Covid-19, with 280 deaths, have been reported in the Houston area – Friday May 8th hair salons, barber shops, tanning salons, and cosmetology institutes can reopen, but must observe social distancing guidelines – The Blue Angels are planning a series of fly overs of various local hospitals today

5-7-20 – Texas AG Ken Paxton calls for the release of a Dallas salon owner who was sentenced to 7 days in jail for violating the stay-home-work-safe order by opening early, AG Paxton called the sentence "Outrageous" – Gov. Abbott has launched a murder hornet task force to protect honey bees

5-8-20 – The entire White House staff, including President Trump and VP Pence, will be tested for Covid-19 after a Navy valet that was reported to be close to the president tested positive for Coronavirus – The US lost 5 million jobs in April, which is the greatest month to month decline in history. Unemployment rose to almost 15% - You are permanently barred from joining the military if you contract Covid-19, unless a waiver is acquired

5-11-20 – Jerry Stiller has died at the age of 92 – VP Pence’s press secretary Katy Miller and 11 Secret Service members has been diagnosed with Covid-19 – Google and Facebook will allow employees to work from home for the rest of the year – The FDA has approved the first at home saliva test for Covid-19, which is available now

5-12-20 – All Texas nursing home residents and staff will be tested for Covid-19 as ordered by Gov. Abbott – A 107 year old Washington woman has survived two pandemics, the 1918 Spanish Flu and now Covid-19

5-13-20 – Dr. Anthony Fauci warns of serious consequences with states reopen too soon, saying it could lead to an outbreak that is uncontrollable – Following his press secretary’s diagnosis of Covid-19 VP Pence will keep his distance from President Trump as a cautionary measure

5-14-20 – A new report from the CIA claims that the Chinese Government did in fact pressure the WHO to down play the seriousness of Covid-19 back in January, which gave them time to stockpile supplies before the pandemic hit – A massive chunk fell off of a Chinese rocket and fell back to Earth, it weighed 20 tons and was 15 minutes from smashing New York

5-15-20 – The CDC has sent out new Covid-19 guidelines specifically with children’s wellbeing in mind – A new report issued by an international team of scientists says that mouthwash might help prevent Coronavirus because it damages the membranes the virus needs to thrive

5-18-20 – Today gyms, offices, and manufacturing resources can reopen across Texas if they observe social distancing, require face masks, and admit no more than 25% capacity, Gov. Abbott is expected to give further information on Texas gradual reopening in a press meeting at 2PM today

5-19-20 – Gov. Abbott’s phase 2 for reopening Texas continues with bars, breweries, bingo halls, Ect. being able to reopen this Friday if they observe social distancing, require face masks, and admit no more than 25% capacity, with restaurants now being able to seat 50% capacity during phase 2

5-20-20 – All Texas voters, regardless of age, can apply to vote by mail during the pandemic – Two people were injured when an oil tanker exploded in Galveston – ADT is being sued by hundreds of Texans after it was discovered that a former employee had been looking at private security footage for over 7 years

5-21-20 – Harris County Judge Lina Hidalgo is extending the Stay-Home-Work-Safe order until at least June 10th – The Chinese city of Wuhan, where it is believed that the pandemic started, has banned eating wild animals – The US birth rate has fallen to the lowest it has been in 30 years and continues a 12 year downward trend

5-22-20 – President Trump has ordered that flags fly at half mast in honor of the Americans that have died due to Covid-19 – NOAA is predicting an above average hurricane season this year, with 19 named storms, with 3 to 6 of those becoming major hurricanes, could be expected between June 1st through November – Bars and breweries can reopen today – City owned water attractions will remain closed throughout the summer this year

5-22-20 Through 5-29-20
The Show is on Vacation

June:

- 6-1-20 – Gov. Abbott declared a state of disaster in Texas after several days of protests following the death of Houston native George Floyd at the hands of a Minneapolis police officer – Today is the first day of hurricane season, it is predicted that this season will be more active than usual with 16 named storms, 8 hurricanes, with 3 to 6 of those being major storms
- 6-2-20 – Mayor Turner is beefing up police presence in preparation for protest march scheduled to begin this afternoon – Protests from around the world turn violent, with 4 police officers shot in Saint Louis, one police officer is dead and another is on life support in Las Vegas, President Trump has threatened to call in the military if the states can't get their protests under control
- 6-3-20 – An estimated 60,000 protestors peacefully marched in honor of George Floyd yesterday through the streets of downtown Houston – Day 3 of hurricane season and we're on the 3rd named storm, with tropical storm Christabel – Coronavirus is a blood vessel disease not just a respiratory one claims Swedish researchers
- 6-4-20 – Minnesota AG has increased the charge leveled against the police officer accused of killing George Floyd from 2nd degree to 1st degree murder, while the three other officers at the scene have been charged with aiding and abetting – An autopsy performed on George Floyd's corpse has found that Mr. Floyd was infected with Covid-19 – Phase 3 of Gov. Abbott's plan to reopen Texas is in effect, Bars can now serve at 50% capacity in Texas
- 6-5-20 – Tropical storm Christabel is a tropical depression now and is expected to make landfall in Louisiana this Sunday after gaining strength in the Gulf of Mexico
- 6-8-20 – The public viewing of George Floyd will be held today from Noon until 6PM at the Fountains of Praise Church on Hillcroft Avenue, only 15 viewers will be allowed in at a time and will only be allowed to stay 10 minutes
- 6-9-20 – Over 6,000 mourners played their respects to George Floyd yesterday at his public viewer service, the family will hold a private funeral today – Texas set a record high for Coronavirus cases with 1,935 new cases reported in a single day, new infections state-wide have increased by 71% over the past two weeks
- 6-10-20 – Many members of the Washington DC National Guard, who were called in to quell protests around the White House, have become infected with Covid-19 – AMC movie theaters will reopen in July
- 6-11-20 – Texas has passed 2,000 Covid-19 hospitalizations this week for the first time, and reported a record of over 2,500 new cases in a single day
- 6-12-20 – Harris County Judge Linda Hidalgo unveiled a new Coronavirus threat level system, which has 4 color-coded levels, where level 1 is the most severe, and we are currently at level 2 where citizens do not HAVE to stay at home, but should do so if possible – Houston bar 5015 exploded near the museum district just before 5AM this morning damaging several businesses in the area, investigations into why the bar exploded are still being conducted
- 6-15-20 – Texas had another record setting day for new Covid-19 cases, with 2,287 reportedly hospitalized yesterday – The Harris County Sheriff's Office has lost a second deputy to Covid-19 – The national and local increase of Covid-19 cases is

thankfully NOT the Second Wave experts have been warning about, that in fact we are still currently feeling the effects of the First Wave

6-16-20 – Texas continues an upward trend of Covid-19 related hospitalizations setting another one day record which is the 7th time in 8 days – 24 Hour Fitness has filed for bankruptcy and plan to close over 130 clubs across the country with 12 closing in the Houston area – A video shows a local man skateboarding down Westheimer rd. while hanging on to the back of a pickup truck

6-17-20 – Texas has halted the first execution planned since the pandemic began one hour before it was scheduled to occur – Texas saw another day of record high Covid-19 hospitalizations, and in response Gov. Abbott said that hospital space is plentiful so people shouldn't panic

6-18-20 – Gene Kennedy Smith, the last surviving sidling of President JFK, has passed away at 92 – Gov. Abbott says that local business are within their rights to require customers and employees to wear face masks when visiting or working at their stores, with Mayor Turner and Judge Hidalgo considering an executive order to make masks mandatory throughout the state. Masks are already required in Austin and San Antonio

6-19-20 – Texas Covid-19 hospitalizations have reached a record high every day for a week. The 7th day saw 2,947 new hospitalizations – Harris County could have a mandatory face mask order issued today, Judge Hidalgo is hoping to finalize the order by the end of the day – Gov. Abbott says that kids will return to schools, in person, this Fall. Students and teachers will be required to wear face masks and any homes with health concerns will have the option of keeping that student home for remote teaching

6-22-20 – At least 12 states, including Texas, has seen record high number of new Covid-19 cases over the weekend – Harris County Judge Linda Hidalgo's mask order goes into effect today, businesses must always require customers and employees to wear face coverings while visiting their stores. The order is expected to lapse next week

6-23-20 – Gov. Abbott is urging citizens to take voluntary measures to prevent the spread of Covid-19, saying closing the state again would be a last resort – Houston reported yet another record setting day for Covid-19 hospitalizations – Researchers say that human waste/waste water might help spread Covid-19

6-24-20 – Texas broke another Covid-19 record hitting 5,000 new cases in a single day for the first time, while hospitalizations again hit record numbers – Gov. Abbott has expanded the authority of local officials to place restrictions on outdoor gatherings of over 100 people leading up to the 4th of July holiday – Fort Bend County has a new mask order similar to Harris County order, where businesses must require their customers and employees to wear face coverings. This order goes into effect tonight

6-25-20 – Texans traveling to New York, New Jersey, or Connecticut are required to quarantine for 14 days according to a new joint travel advisory – Texas reports another day of record high new Covid-19 cases, with 5,551 new cases added – The IRS is trying to get millions of dollars in stimulus checks they mistakenly sent to prisons back, but might not be legally able to do so according to tax attorneys

6-26-20 – Gov. Abbott has suspended all elective surgeries in counties that have high Covid-19 numbers, which does include Harris County. He has also stated that he is halting the reopening of Houston businesses – Texas reports another day of record high new Covid-19 cases, with over 6,000 new cases added