

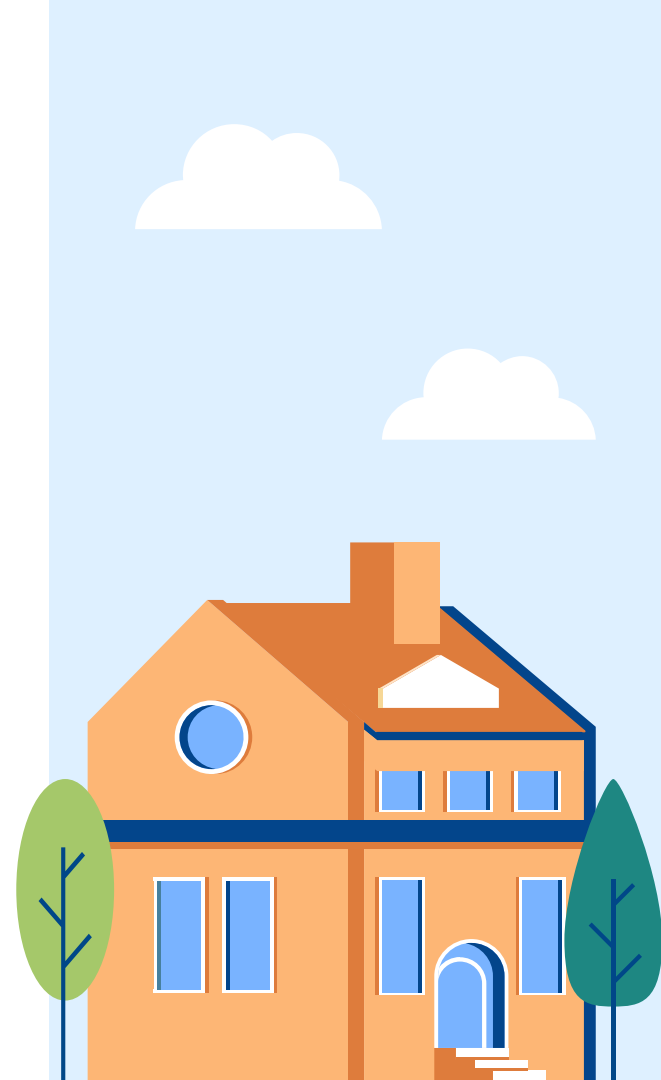
# February 2026

## MONTHLY MEETING



# Meeting Agenda

- Call to order
- Meeting Agreements
- Elected officials & candidates for office
- Super Neighborhood Officer Elections
- Super Neighborhood Business
- **Keynote topic:** HISD School Closures
- Super Neighborhood Updates
  - HCC Scholarship Opportunities
  - Grant Applications
  - Polk St Updates
  - Metro Fare Updates
  - Heavy Trash Pick Up Changes
  - What YOU say
- Open floor comments & announcements
- Adjourn Meeting





# Meeting Agreements

- **Assume Positive Intent** - We are all doing the best we can with what we have, avoid blaming others.
- **Speak with respect** - Refrain from profanity, use people's names/pronouns and be sensitive to different communication styles.
- **Be critical of the problem, not the person** - we want to create solutions, not enemies. It's okay to disagree!
- **Ponder what you hear and feel before you speak.**
- **Trust ambiguity** - We are not here to debate who is right and who is wrong.
- **Be mindful of time.** There's a lot to cover!

*What else should we add?*





# Elected Officials

If there are elected officials here, this  
is a time to give an update!

*Please keep your update to 1-2 minutes.*





# Candidates for Office

If you are running for office, this is a time to introduce yourself to the Super Neighborhood!

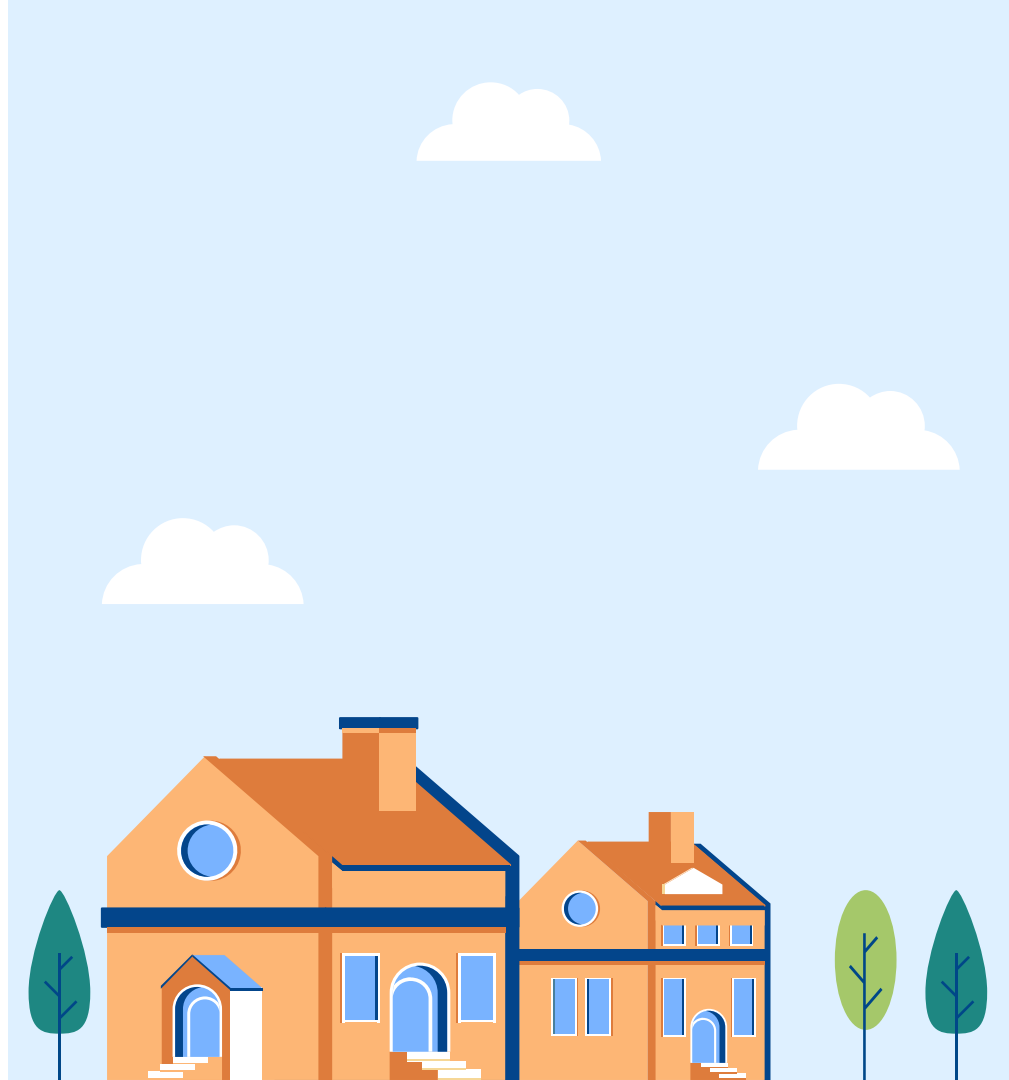
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# 2026 Officer Elections

A review of our 2026 Officer Elections.





# 2026 Officer Elections

We will be holding officer elections on February 25, 2026. The positions are:

- President
- Vice-President
- Secretary
- Treasurer

These are two year terms. You will need to be able to commit to ~5-10 hours per month to meetings and events with the Super Neighborhood

If you want to be elected into one of these positions, you will need to meet the following criteria:

- You need to live or work within the Super Neighborhood boundaries
- You need to have attended at least 2 meetings in the past 12 months

Officers will be voted in by simple majority.





# 2026 Officer Elections

## About the officer positions

- **President** - The president shall preside over all general meetings and any executive committee meetings. The president shall have the authority to conduct meetings and to maintain order. The president shall appoint all committee chairs.
- **Vice-President** - The vice-president shall preside at meetings in the absence of the president. This office shall assist the president and shall perform various duties and serve on committees as assigned by the president.
- **Secretary** - The secretary shall keep an accurate record of proceedings of all general meetings, attend to correspondence, act as custodian of current records, and file and maintain up-to-date membership lists and attendance records.
- **Treasurer** - The treasurer shall maintain up-to-date records of all financial transactions, receive all funds, and deposit them in the bank. This officer shall disburse money as authorized by the Council.





# 2026 Officer Elections

## Time for candidates!

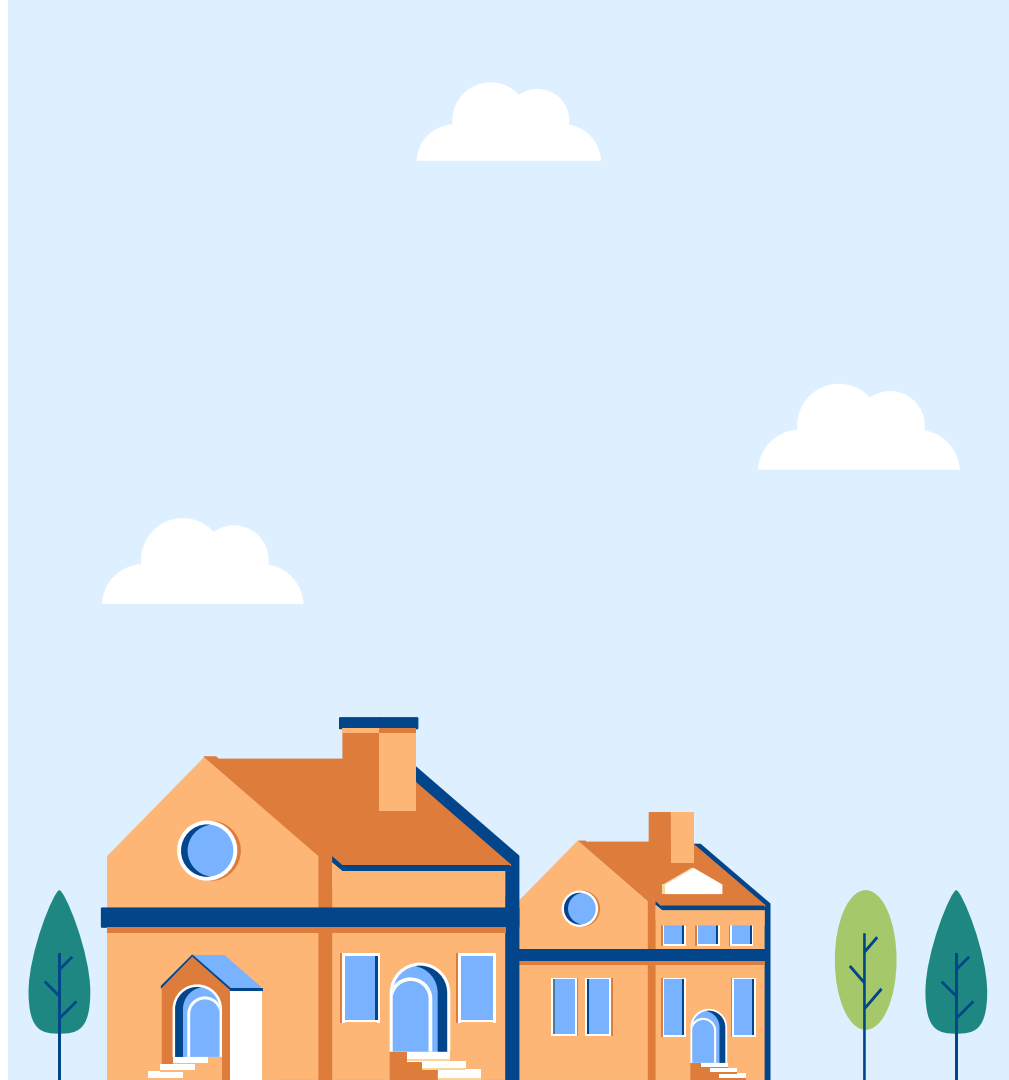
If you are interested in running for officer, please come introduce yourself and share why you want to be an officer with the Super Neighborhood.

President Candidates  
Vice-President Candidates  
Secretary Candidates  
Treasurer Candidates



# SN Business

Motions for SN Business





# SN Business

- **Motion 1** - The motion is to use up to \$1500 in administrative funds through the Department of Neighborhoods
  - The plan is to use these funds for printing cards for officers, a pamphlet we can hand out with information about our Super Neighborhood and other important numbers, and a handy card about reporting trains.
  - We also have the option to add a Zoom account to try virtual meetings - would love a show of hands for whether we want to try this.
- **Motion 2** - We are hearing rumors that CM Salinas will be putting forth an ordinance that will allow HPD to not enforce “Administrative” warrants that do not require a judge signature. She is likely going to need community support.



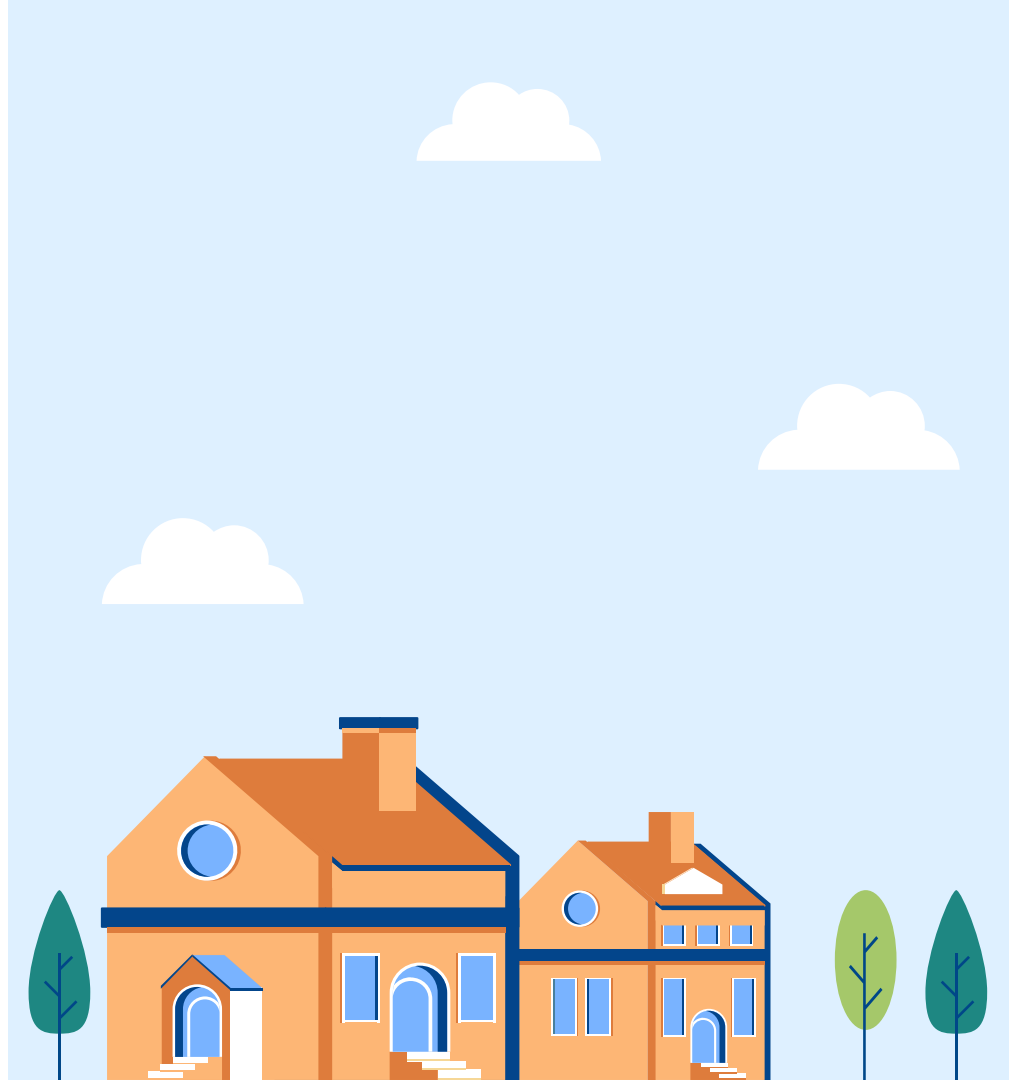


# HISD Closures

Recently, HISD announced school closures at the end of the year. Many are in the East End and impact us.

## Speakers:

- Dani Hernandez
  - Amy Erickson
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NQ Henderson ES → Bruce ES  
Port Houston ES → Pleasantville ES  
Fleming MS → Mickey Leland YMCPA (co location)  
McReynolds MS → Mickey Leland YMCPA (co location)  
Ross ES → Roosevelt ES or C. Martinez ES  
Burrus ES → Kennedy ES  
Franklin ES → Gallegos ES  
Alcott ES → Mading ES  
Hobby ES Pre-K and K → MLK Early Childhood Center  
Hobby ES 1st-5th → Lawson MS (co location)  
Cage ES → Lantrip ES (co location)  
Briscoe ES → Carillo ES  
Gulfton Middle College → Liberty HS

# HISD Closures

## to take effect August 2026

### FEBRUARY 2026

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 1   | 2   | 3   | 4   | 5   | 6   | 7   |
| 8   | 9   | 10  | 11  | 12  | 13  | 14  |
| 15  | 16  | 17  | 18  | 19  | 20  | 21  |
| 22  | 23  | 24  | 25  | 26  | 27  | 28  |

Recommended by Superintendent Miles

Board of Managers called a Special Meeting to vote on closures

# HISD Closures in the East End



via Fashion St and Telephone Rd 12 min

0.5 mile

[Details](#) [Preview](#)



via Canal St and N 74th St

15 min

0.7 mile

[Details](#) [Preview](#)



via Capitol St and Hwy 90 Alt E

29 min

1.3 miles

[Details](#) [Preview](#)



<https://arcg.is/ObKfvT>

# What can you do?

1

Email the Board of Managers

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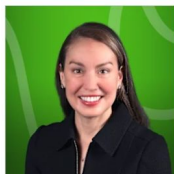
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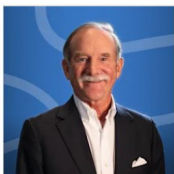
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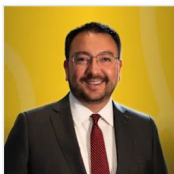
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Marty Goossen



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Lauren Gore



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Marcos Rosales

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The following local elected officials can advocate for our schools and children.

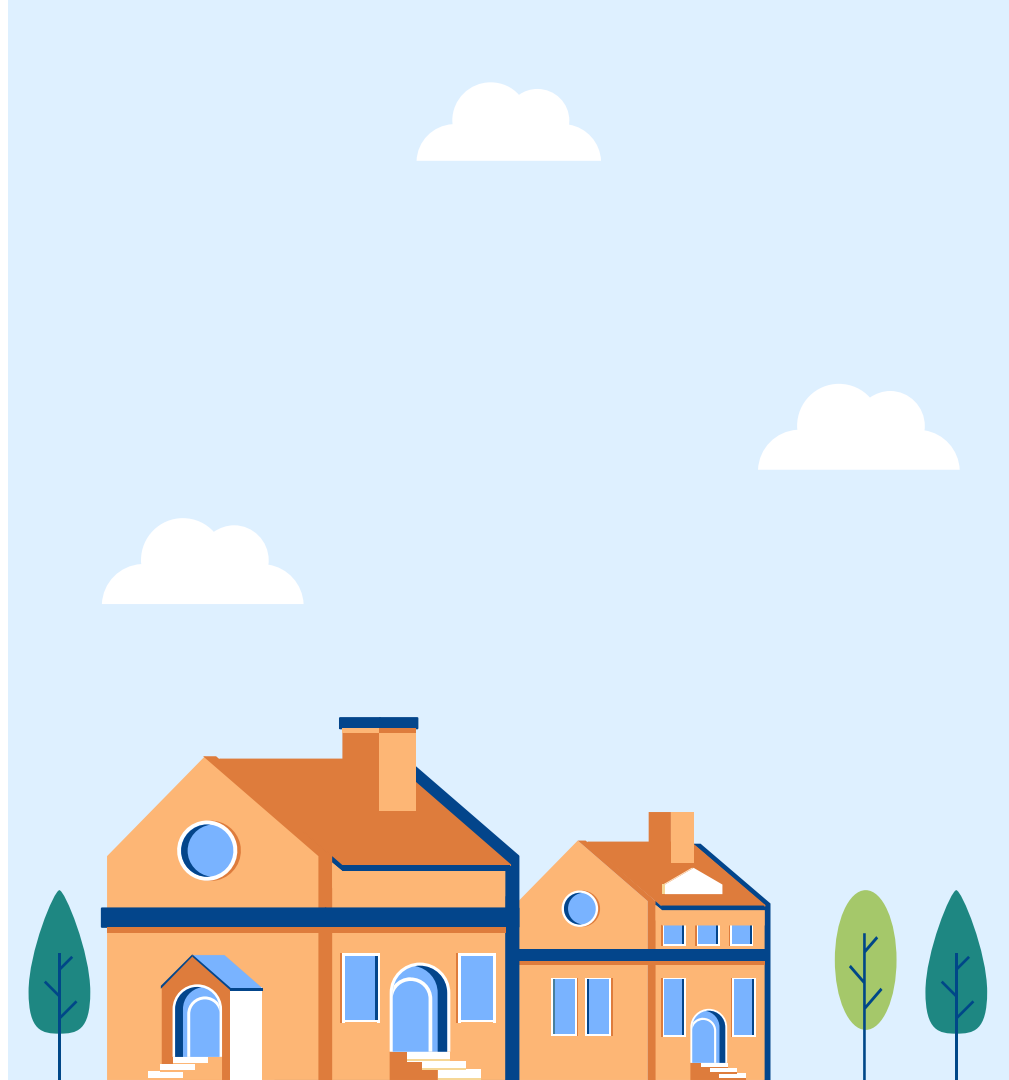
Council Member Martinez  
[districti@houstontx.gov](mailto:districti@houstontx.gov)  
832-393-3011

State Representative Christina  
Morales  
713-718-5915

State Senator Carol Alvarado  
713-926-6257

# SN Updates

Sharing updates in the community and area.



Spring 2026

# HCC Connect 2 Workforce Scholarship

*Get a new skill and increase your earning potential in weeks!*

Houston City College – Southeast | 713.718.7947 | [se.connect@hccs.edu](mailto:se.connect@hccs.edu)

# The Opportunity



## Hundreds

**of jobs in Houston's economy**

Require more than a HS diploma but less than a college degree



## As Few as 3

**college courses required**

Many good-paying jobs can be completed in under 16 weeks



## Limited Funds

**available now**

Scholarships cover course fees for eligible students – apply early

# How Does It Work?

1

**Connect** Reach out to an advisor or the Connect 2 Workforce Initiative at 713.718.7947 or [se.connect@hccs.edu](mailto:se.connect@hccs.edu)

2

**Contact Program** Connect directly with your chosen program contact for eligibility details and requirements

3

**Enroll & Get Paid** Your program contact helps you enroll and covers your course fees (limited funds available)

4

**Complete & Credential** Finish your short-term credential and launch your new career

# Available Programs



## Architectural Design & Construction

AutoCAD Draftsman  
Air Conditioning Technician  
Motor Control  
Construction Framers  
Plumbing Technician  
Construction Project Management  
Drywall Installation & Repair  
Residential Construction



## Digital & Information Technology

Advanced Cyber Security  
Cyber Security Program  
Cisco CCNA  
Data Analytics  
Cloud Computing



## Business and Logistics

Contact HCC for current program offerings



## Material Science & Manufacturing

CNC Operator  
CNC Programmer  
Manual Machinist  
Structural Welding  
Welding Technician



## Transportation

Truck Driving



## Health Sciences

Certified Nurse Aide (CNA)  
Comprehensive Coding  
EKG Technician  
Medical Business Office Professional  
Patient Care Technician  
Phlebotomy Technician  
Telemetry Technician  
Pharmacy Technician

# Ready to Get Connected?

*Apply now — limited scholarship funds available for Spring 2026*

## General Inquiries



713.718.7947



se.connect@hccs.edu

## HCC Southeast Contact

Nahaira Hernandez



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# 2026 Community Change

Grant

**America Walks Community Change Grant** *CDC Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity & Obesity*

- Awards **6 grantees \$2,000 each** for projects that create healthy, active, and walkable communities
- Backed by the CDC's **Active People, Healthy Nation<sup>SM</sup>** initiative
- Program goal: help **27 million Americans** become more physically active by 2027





# Polk St. Update

When City Council approved the closure of Polk Street and 6 other public streets, they also approved a Memorandum of Understanding to bring some benefit to the East End. We think there are many opportunities for improvements.

| Issue                              | Approved MOU                                      | MOU 2.0 (Proposed)                                                                                                  |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Advisory board appointments</b> | All seats appointed by council members            | 10 of 13 seats appointed by <b>neighborhood &amp; business groups</b>                                               |
| <b>Advisory board authority</b>    | Advisory only, no power                           | <b>Veto authority:</b> nothing proceeds without written community approval                                          |
| <b>Access during construction</b>  | Pedestrian access only, 1 year post-closure       | Continuous vehicular, METRO, pedestrian & bike access required; <b>alternatives must exist before closure</b>       |
| <b>Leeland Street</b>              | "Work toward" with no timeline, no funding        | <b>Binding 180-day implementation</b> timeline with funding, construction & grade separation milestones             |
| <b>Street sale proceeds</b>        | Unaddressed; Assumed to flow to City General Fund | Dedicated to <b>East End mobility improvements</b> in an effort to mitigate the loss of this Major Connector Street |
| <b>Community legal standing</b>    | None                                              | Districts D, H & I residents named as <b>third-party beneficiaries</b> with right to enforce                        |
| <b>Binding effect</b>              | Not stated                                        | "Legally binding to the fullest extent permitted by law," <b>binding on successors</b>                              |



# Metro Fare Update

The METRO Q® Fare Card is being phased out and replaced by the new RideMETRO card. Reloads will be allowed through March 1, 2026, and full discontinuation will occur on April 4, 2026.

Riders should switch to the new RideMETRO card or app, which allows tapping with credit/debit cards, phones, or new physical cards, while maintaining the 10-ride-for-free benefit.

## Key Updates and Actions

- **Transition Period:** Current Q Cards can be used until April 4, 2026, but cannot be reloaded after March 1, 2026.
- **New System:** The new RideMETRO system features tap-to-pay using credit cards, smartphones (Apple/Google Pay), or a new physical RideMETRO card.
- **Rewards:** The free ride benefit continues: after 10 paid trips, additional trips are free.
- **How to Switch:** Create a new account at the METRO Online RideStore or use the new RideMETRO app.
- **Existing Balance:** Use up the balance on your old Q Card, as it cannot be transferred online.
- **Q-Ticketing App:** The old Q-Ticketing app is being phased out in favor of the new RideMETRO app.

For the most up-to-date information, visit [www.ridemetro.org](https://www.ridemetro.org).





# Heavy Trash Pickup Changes

## Houston Heavy Trash — New On-Demand System (launching ~March 2)

The city is moving away from the old route-based schedule where crews drove every street regardless of whether trash was set out.

### Here's what's new:

- Instead of scheduled collection days, residents now call **311** to request heavy trash pickup.
- Each address will be allowed **up to 4 heavy trash pickups per year**.
- Collection is expected within **5 working days** of the scheduled date, and a dedicated Solid Waste employee will answer calls between 8 AM and 5 PM.
- The old system was deemed unsustainable — crews were driving streets with no trash set out, contributing to delays and backlogs citywide.

**Use the 311 app or call 713-887-0311**





# What YOU say

We have been asking for feedback so we can elevate your concerns. This is what we are seeing so far...

## **Transportation & Infrastructure**

- Railroad improvements are a top priority — quiet zones and grade separations have been long overdue and residents are frustrated by the lack of progress
- Better and safer roadways for all users, including improved sidewalks, bike paths, and speed reduction measures
- Opposition to disruptive downtown/EaDo construction impacting the area

## **Police & Traffic Accountability**

- Residents want law enforcement held accountable for traffic violations they commit or ignore, including speeding, running red lights, and failing to enforce traffic laws for others

## **Immigration & Federal Enforcement**

- Strong, repeated call for the neighborhood to take a clear stance against ICE activity in the East End and advocate for community protection





# What YOU say

## **Community Building**

- More events that bring residents together face to face and foster genuine connection
- Empowering local civic associations and finding shared priorities so the community can speak with a unified voice

## **Homelessness & Park Safety**

- Concerns about homeless individuals and stray dogs impacting safety in parks and public spaces

## **Elected Official Accountability**

- Residents want actual, meaningful civic representation from elected officials — not just acknowledgment





# **Public Safety Phone Numbers**

**Houston Police Non- Emergency Line - 713-884-3131**

**Precinct 6 Constable - Dispatch - 713-274-3400**

**Houston Tow & Go Program - 713-881-3333**





# Announcements

Upcoming meetings and  
announcements from everyone.





# **Neighbor Comments**

## **Raising Issues, Concerns, Announcements**

Open floor for comments, announcements, or to flag issues for upcoming discussion or action.





# How did this meeting go?

We want to hear from you! Was the meeting helpful and informative?

1 through 5

1 - it didn't sit well with me and 5 - I loved it!

(hold up your fingers)





## **Next Meeting**

- Date: Wednesday March 25
- Time: 6:30 PM
- Location: Right here!





# THANKS!

**DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?**

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Scan or upload this QR code using the WhatsApp camera to join this group