



Press Release

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SEN. LUCIO HOSTS COVID-19 TELEPHONE TOWN HALL

Leading Public Health & Medical Professionals Join to Answer Public Questions

Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr., (D-Brownsville) will host a Telephone Town Hall for residents of South Texas to ask questions of leading public health and medical professionals on the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. The first-of-its-kind Telephone Town Hall for South Texas is scheduled for:

Friday, March 27 at 7:30 p.m.

"This is an excellent opportunity for our South Texas constituents to have their questions answered directly by state and local public health and medical experts working to stop the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19) in our communities," said Sen. Lucio.

Leading the call:

- Dr. John Hellerstedt, Commissioner of Texas Department of State Health Services

Joined by local experts:

- Dr. James Castillo II, Cameron County Health Authority;
- Ms. Esmeralda Guajardo, Health Administrator at Cameron County Public Health;
- Dr. Joseph McCormick, Epidemiologist at UTHealth School of Public Health Brownsville; &
- Dr. Linda Villarreal, Chair of the Board of Trustees for the Texas Medical Association.

Labor Commissioner Julian Alvarez III of the Texas Workforce Commission will be a special guest to respond to employment-related questions.

"I encourage the public to register by texting **TX 27** to 833-TXT-LIVE (that is, 833-898-5483) to be called automatically at the start of the call, or dial in to 855-962-1297," concluded Sen. Lucio.

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Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr. (D – Brownsville) represents Cameron, Hidalgo, Kenedy, Kleberg, and Willacy Counties. He is the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations; Vice Chairman of the Senate Committee on Education; Member of the Senate Committees on State Affairs; Veteran Affairs & Border Security; and of the Select Committees on Redistricting; and, Texas Ports. He is member of the Sunset Advisory Commission and has been an ex-officio member of the DSHS Task Force of Border Public Health Officials since 2017. Elected in 1991, Lucio is third in seniority in the Texas Senate.

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