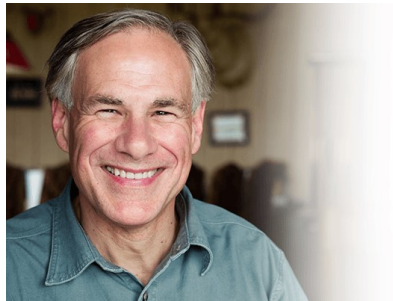


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ABBOTT ALERTS

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"The Abbott Alerts newsletter allows you to stay up to date on the latest news, and I'll let you know what we are doing to keep Texas the most exceptional state in America."

Greg Abbott

TEXAS' RESPONSE TO THE HUMANITARIAN CRISIS AT THE SOUTHERN BORDER



The current crisis at the southern border is a direct result of the

Biden Administration's open border policies. Over 800 criminal aliens have been apprehended in Texas this year, including sex offenders and gang members, and many of those individuals had been deported before.

Cartels are ramping up trafficking and smuggling along the border and overwhelming border patrol resources — a strategy of the organizations to bring more dangerous elements across the border including violent criminals, contraband, and individuals from special interest countries.

Border security is the federal government's responsibility, but the State of Texas will not allow the administration's failures to endanger the lives of innocent Texans. Instead, Texas is stepping up to fill the gaps left open by the federal government to secure the border, apprehend dangerous criminals, and keep Texans safe.

DPS LAUNCH OPERATION LONE STAR

This week, the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) launched 'Operation Lone Star' to respond to the border crisis.

The Operation integrates DPS with the Texas National Guard and deploys air, ground, marine, and tactical border security assets to high threat areas to deny Mexican Cartels and other smugglers the ability to move drugs and people into Texas.

The crisis at our southern border continues to escalate because of Biden Administration policies that refuse to secure the border and invite illegal immigration.

Texas supports legal immigration but will not be an accomplice to the open border policies that cause, rather than prevent, a humanitarian crisis in our state and endanger the lives of Texans. We will surge the resources and law enforcement personnel needed to confront this crisis.

DHS MASS VACCINATION CLINIC IN THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY

Late, but great news— the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) announced that they will hold a mass vaccination clinic

next week in the Rio Grande Valley to vaccinate Border Patrol agents in Texas.

I'm glad to hear that the Biden Administration is finally stepping up and holding a mass vaccination clinic for Border Patrol agents in the Rio Grande Valley who had been left vulnerable and exposed to COVID.

It's unfortunate that, after months of inaction, we had to publicly call on the federal government to protect these brave men and women and provide the necessary vaccine allocations.

These agents risk their lives every day on the front lines of our nation, and they deserve the same level of commitment from those they serve. We look forward to the Biden Administration following through and fully vaccinating each and every Border Patrol agent in Texas.

PREPOSITIONING STATE FIREFIGHTING RESOURCES IN RESPONSE TO DANGEROUS FIRE WEATHER CONDITIONS

The Texas Division of Emergency Management, Texas A&M Forest Service, and the Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System have prepositioned resources in response to the risk of wildfires in the Panhandle, Western Plains, Trans Pecos, and the South Texas Plains.

We urge Texans to be mindful of any outdoor activity that may cause a spark. Texans should pay attention to county burn bans and avoid all outdoor burning until conditions improve.

The State of Texas is working alongside local officials and emergency management leaders on the ground to keep our communities safe and mitigate the threat that wildfires pose.

TCCRI BLACK TIE AND BOOTS GALA



On Thursday, I joined the Texas Conservative Coalition Research Institute (TCCRI) for their Black Tie and Boots Gala.

Thank you to TCCRI for your role in shaping policy decisions in Austin to ensure that Texas remains the freedom and prosperity capital of America.

TRCCA INAUGURAL GALA



Great to be with the Texas Republican County Chairmen's Association (TRCCA) last night.

As we look ahead to the next election cycle, Republican County Chairs will again play a pivotal role in the future of Texas.

We know that the Democrats are dead set on turning Texas blue. They will continue to pour hundreds of millions of dollars

into our state to fund far-left candidates up and down the ballot.

But Republican County Chairs are the leaders on the frontlines who will make sure that doesn't happen.

Working together, we will keep Texas red, we will keep Texas a beacon of freedom, and we will keep Texas the most exceptional state in America.

THANK YOU, TEXAS!

In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way Governor Greg Abbott is handing his job as Governor?

Code		Weighted	Dem.	Ind.	Rep.	Hisp.	Black	White
5	Strongly Approve	22%	10%	14%	39%	17%	8%	27%
4	Approve	30	23	30	34	23	26	34
3	Neither	17	15	22	15	27	20	12
2	Disapprove	13	17	15	8	13	19	12
1	Strongly Disapprove	18	34	19	5	20	28	15
	Total =	1181	373	369	440	257	150	674

Thanks, Texans, for your continued support through the recent storm.

Texans know that we will reform electric power agencies and the grid to ensure we never experience what happened in February.

We will winterize the grid and mandate communication.

NATIONAL K9 VETERANS DAY



Today is National K9 Veterans Day.

We are grateful for our military and working dogs who serve our

great nation. us 🐶

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, CHUCK NORRIS!



Wednesday was Chuck Norris' 81st birthday.

Wishing a happy birthday to my friend and a great legend who calls Texas home!

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