



Good Morning Rio Hondo Citizens,

These past few days have been trying to our city with the heavy rains we've had. Our city experienced great flooding in parts of the city. Some areas remained flooded.

Yesterday, along with staff and volunteers we delivered some pizzas and water to those residents that remain flooded. I would like to express my gratitude that made this possible. Special thanks to our Volunteer Fire Department, Police Department, Public Works Department, Office Staff, and all the volunteers.

We have seen first-hand the damage this storm has caused throughout our beautiful city. I pray for everyone's safety and I along with City staff will continue to help in whatever way possible.

On another note, if your home or property were damaged as a direct result of the storm, please go to TDEM's page and fill in the survey questionnaire. The links can be found on our website and on our Facebook page. Please take pictures, videos of the inside and outside of your property. Keep all receipts for any repairs, cleaning supplies, trash bags, and any storm-related purchases. This will help determine the amount of funding/assistance our city will receive to assist you in the recovery process. Those who submit a damage report are helping state and local officials assess the full scope of the disaster and determine what additional resources are needed in the community.

As always thank you for allowing me to serve you.

Gustavo "Gus" Olivares

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Mayor