



## MEDIA ADVISORY

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### **Harvey-Impacted Houstonians Get Access to Critical Resources to Address Unmet Needs after Harvey** *Avenue and Houston Health Department Partner on Outreach Event at Northeast Restoration Center*

**WHAT:** On Saturday, May 26, **Avenue** and the **Houston Health Department** are partnering to host **Harvey Resource Connect**, an outreach event geared towards addressing the unmet needs that exist nine months after Hurricane Harvey. Located at the **Northeast Restoration Center**, the family-friendly event will offer Harvey-impacted Houstonians the opportunity to connect with valuable recovery resources including Avenue's home repair program, Kids Meals for the summer, tips for avoiding foreclosures and legal advice.

In addition to recovery resources offered through Avenue, Houston Food Bank, World Vision, SBP, Bread of Life, Recovery Houston, Legacy Community Health, Kids Meals, BuildAid Houston, YWCA and Wesley Community Center, residents attending Harvey Resource Connect will also be able to collect distributed food and household goods, take part in exercise classes and learn more about mortgage preparation through two one-hour classes.

**WHO:** Avenue  
Houston Health Department  
Houston Food Bank  
SBP  
World Vision  
Bread of Life  
BuildAid Houston  
Kids Meals  
Wesley Community Center  
YWCA  
Council Member Amanda Edwards

**WHEN:** Saturday, May 26  
10:00AM to 2:00PM

**WHERE:** 9720 Spaulding St.  
Houston, TX 77016

**Visuals:** Residents getting access to recovery support services, distribution of household goods, food distribution, exercise classes, mortgage preparation classes, family-friendly activities including arts and crafts.

**Interviews:** Avenue and Houston Health Department representatives (English and Spanish) and Harvey-impacted families who've benefited from service connection through Avenue and the Houston Health Department.

### **About Avenue**

Avenue's mission is to build affordable homes and strengthen communities. The organization enhances the quality of life of working families and works to promote healthy, vibrant and economically diverse neighborhoods that are essential to Houston's future as a world-class city. Avenue develops homes for purchase and rent as well as provides homebuyer education and counseling to help working families buy and maintain their own homes. They promote economic development and offer supportive services such as computer labs, after-school programs, and nutrition, fitness, and financial literacy classes that enrich the lives of the individuals and families they serve. Avenue is a member of the nationwide NeighborWorks® Network of more than 245 community development organizations working in nearly 4,358 urban, suburban and rural communities across America. Connect with Avenue on Facebook: <http://bit.ly/FBAvenueCDC> and Twitter: <https://twitter.com/AvenueCDC>.

### **Houston Health Department**

The mission of the Houston Health Department (HHD) is to work in partnership with the community to promote and protect the health and social well-being of all Houstonians. HHD is the first health department in Texas and the second in a large U.S. city to earn national accreditation. The department provides local disease surveillance, preventive health care, treatment for certain diseases, a wide range of environmental services and enforcement of certain city and state laws. Connect with HHD online at [houstonheath.org](http://houstonheath.org) and @houstonhealth on social media.

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