

City of Corpus Christi / Nueces County
Local Emergency Planning Committee - LEPC
3 March 2026
3rd Floor Training Room, 2406 Leopard, Corpus Christi, Texas 78408

Antonia McLaren	Joanne Salge	Amanda Wolf
Brandon Wade	Joseph Cantu	William Thompson
Roosevelt Shaver	Jonathan Hawkins	Kevin Craft
Victor Cano	Amy Karl	Rebekah Diaz
Deacon Mark Cazalas	Adison Long	Raul Cardona
Sharon Bailey-Murphy	Mikael Khan	Kathy Ard-Blattner
Emily Garcia	Josh Salazar	Ron Parks
Danielle Hale	Sam Garibay	Philip Woods
Joseph Cantu	Christine Logan	Randy Brock
Jonathan Weseloh	Vincent Harris	Scott Walker
Daniel Diaz	Gavanda Cadena	Ruben Perez
Dee Hawkins	Jordan Strait	Howard Pierpont
Ryan Barbato	David Cantu	Zach Purdue
Keith Muhlestein	Denzel Ototunin	Juan A Perez (Tony)
Cory Mottice	Raul Vasquez	Jace Johnson
David Dean	Rob Reina	

- I. Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions: Brandon Wade, LEPC Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:34 am. Joseph Cantu provided the meeting safety briefing for the attendees.
- II. Acceptance of Minutes: 6 January 2026 minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Joseph Cantu and second by Jace Johnson, to approve of the minutes as presented. Motion passed.
- III. New Business/Old Business: LEPC received a donation from International Association for Disaster Preparedness and Response (DERA). Thank you to those that have donated and continue to donate. // There is a lot going on in the world right now; Corpus is a major energy hub so just to remind everyone, keep your eyes open. If things seem strange, contact the local authorities. Let's try our best to keep everyone safe.
- IV. Upcoming Training in the Community/Conferences: 2026 Union Pacific Railcar training event is March 17-20. It will take place at O.N. Stevens Water Treatment Plant. It is free and comes with CE credit. If you want the digital version of the flyer, please reach out to Joanne. // There will be the Coastal Bend Hurricane Conference on May 6-7. They are looking for sponsors, vendors, and presenters. Please reach out to Kathy Ard-Blatner for more information. Registration for the conference opens this week and will be closed April 30th. // This week there will be the tri-annual drill at the airport so there may be extra traffic out there. // The Port, Coast Guard, and Chenire are hosting a preparedness exercise the week of March 23rd concentrating on the La Quinta area. // Tomorrow is the NWS drill at 11am. This is an opportunity to practice your tornado shelter in place actions.
- V. Coordinator's Report: The LEPC Annual Report is now available. // Joanne and Antonia attended the Corpus Christi Community Advisory Council and presented on shelter in place. // March 10th is the quarterly rail briefing. This will be with the city manager and other responders in the area for an overview of any concerns on rail activity. // We are still actively taking tier 2 reports, thank you to those who have sent them in. Please only send digitally. // During the last Executive Committee meeting we decided to send a letter to the new Bishop in support of KLUX from Chief Wade. That was sent out last week. KLUX also just completed a successful campaign week raising over \$54k.
- VI. Subcommittee Reports:

1. Finance Subcommittee: Amanda Wolf provided the financial report. 34% of the budget has been expended to date. Jace Johnson made the motion to approve the financial report, and it was seconded by Philip Woods. The LEPC grant from Magellan ONEOK was funded for \$2,500 to purchase 66 new radios. LEPC has received \$90,200 to date in donations. They just received the \$4k grant from Flint Hills Resources. It will go to Council for approval for the shelter in place kits. Next meeting is on 4 May 2026 at 3pm on Webex.
 2. Risk Awareness Subcommittee: Sharon Bailey-Murphy gave the update. The numbers are going down for attendance. If you can make the meetings, please attend. The TV spots have been completed and are now on KIII TV. Reverse Alert numbers: total of 37,706. There has been a new request for Shelter in Place kits from Hicks Elementary. Next meeting is on 28 May 2026 at 11:30am.
 3. Pipeline Damage Prevention Subcommittee: Randy Brock gave the update. Gas line strikes are up this year but currently less than 2024. The Safe Digging Workshop will be on July 9th at the FEMA Dome. Proclamations are scheduled for Safe Digging month. The City proclamation will be on March 31st and at the County on April 15th. Amanda Wolf is sending out invoices for the annual Pipeline Ordinance fee this month. Next meeting is 5 May 2026 at 9:30am. Please invite your pipeline representatives to attend.
 4. Emergency Response and Communications Subcommittee: Tony Perez gave the update. ICS 300 took place last week and ICS 400 has been postponed. Next week they will be doing a facility tour with Flint Hills Resources. TEEX class schedule has been added to the packet. The Union Pacific Railcar Training is scheduled for March 17-20, 2026. LEPC is partnering with ON Stephens to make this successful. Please send in your Tier 2 reports if you haven't yet. Next meeting will be 22 April 2026 at 11:30am.
- VII. Presentation: Keith Muhlestein, Director National Spill Control School, Conrad Blucher Institute, TX A&M-CC
- VIII. Public Comment/Announcements: n/a
- IX. Motion to Adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made by Kathy Ard-Blattner and seconded by Philip Woods. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 11:38 am. The next meeting date is 5 May 2026 at 10:30 am, 3rd Floor Training Room, 2406 Leopard, Corpus Christi, 78408.


LEPC Chairperson, Chief Brandon Wade