



Harris County Hospital District

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Town Hall Meetings for HCHD's \$739 Million Budget

John A. Guest, President and CEO of the Harris County Hospital District, will present the organization's \$739 million 2004-05 budget to the community at three public town hall meetings in the next two weeks.

This year's budget is about \$52 million more than last year's and includes money for expanding hours of operation at neighborhood health centers and services at hospitals.

The hospital district budget is funded in part by \$359 million in county tax revenue, \$255 million in patient care charges and \$105 million in federal aid programs.

Time/Location	Time/Location	Time/Location
6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Feb. 9, Monday HCHD Administration 2525 Holly Hall Dr. Houston, TX 77054	6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Feb. 12, Thursday Strawberry Health Center 927 Shaw Road Pasadena, TX 77506	6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Feb. 17, Tuesday Aldine Health Center 4755 Aldine Mail Route Houston, TX 77039

Maps of locations available at www.mapquest.com

These are the last opportunities for public input before HCHD's governing body, the Board of Managers, adopts the budget on Feb. 26. Harris County Commissioners Court will consider final adoption of HCHD's budget on March 2.

The Harris County Hospital District is the fourth largest metropolitan public healthcare system in the U.S. It comprises three hospitals—Ben Taub General Hospital, Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital and Quentin Mease Community Hospital—11 neighborhood health centers, a dental center, an HIV/AIDS facility, four school-based clinics, 13 satellite homeless shelter clinics and five mobile health units.

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