



## Communications & Marketing

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### PRESS ADVISORY

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#### Update: City of Brownsville Contracted Employee Tests Negative for COVID-19

We have received the results from the contracted employee who was tested on 3/20/20 which involved the Brownsville Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and the Central Library Facility. The results have come back negative. We are pleased to learn our employee is healthy. The City of Brownsville and EOC is using this incident to examine potential vulnerabilities and explore additional steps we can take to adjust our continuity of operations over the long-term.

The EOC has been meeting (virtually) and working to determine how to support its employees and the community during this time of need. City Manager Noel Bernal stated, "It is in times of great disruption and uncertainty that our ability to stay grounded in our Aspirational Aim (Vision), Purpose Statement (Mission), and Behavioral Values is of the utmost importance."

We continue to encourage all city employees and community to follow the CDC guidelines to avoid the spread of the COVID-19 is a respiratory virus.

Please share and encourage others to:

Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are unavailable, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.

Avoid close contact with people who are sick.

Stay home when you are sick.

Cough or sneeze into your elbow or use a tissue to cover it, then throw the tissue in the trash.

Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

For the most up-to-date information on how City of Brownsville is handling the rapidly changing circumstances, please visit our website at [www.cob.us](http://www.cob.us)

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