



### Laredo Active Living



City of Laredo Health Department



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The City of Laredo through the Health Department is the regional lead for public health preparedness and response of any public health and healthcare emergency and disaster management including response to mass casualties and fatalities.

A request from the from the Webb County Medical Examiner for emergency support for fatality morgue needs due to a surge of drownings from persons crossing the Rio Grande. Therefore in response the state and federal supported regional mobile morgue under the auspices and responsibility of the CLHD will be activated and deployed to the county morgue under the responsibility of Dr. Corine Stern Medical Examiner and Webb County Judge Tano Tijerina

### RESPONSIBILITIES

#### City of Laredo through the Health Department:

- A. Is the owner of the mobile morgue.
- B. Will deploy the unit for temporary emergency use of mass fatalities.
- C. CLHD must request the mobile morgue to maintain the regional response to other mass fatalities or emergencies.

#### Medical Examiner's Office (ME)/County agrees to:

- A. Receive, store and upkeep the temporary use of the mobile morgue while it is the ME/County site in your possession
- B. Notify the CLHD of any mechanical, operational or physical issue
- C. Provide security for the unit
- D. The unit will be returned to the CLHD within 30 days
- E. Not make any changes or move the unit until discussed with the CLHD
- F. Accepts all responsibility for any damage while the unit is deployed to the county for the incident/emergency.

WEBB COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER

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Medical Examiner

Date 7-25-16

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