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Clean up effort underway for Nicholas

Neighbor helping Neighbor was widespread in Freeport today as the sun came up, and the damage wrought by Hurricane Nicholas became clear. City crews worked throughout the night and day clearing streets and alleyway.

At this point, most alleys have been made accessible except where downed powerlines continue to pose a danger to workers.

The City has been in contact with Centerpoint Electric and some of the critical infrastructure has been addressed but more remains, and many residents remain without power. According to word from Centerpoint, it may be a couple more days until power is fully restored.

We appreciate the efforts of residents throughout the day bringing debris to the curb, and the city plans to activate its emergency response debris removal contractor tomorrow. They will be in the City in the next few days to begin removing the vegetative debris from curbside. As you place debris at the curb, please keep vegetative debris separate from household and construction type debris.

Staff also began assessing damage to individual properties. We met with representatives from TDEM who may be able to provide assistance for those damaged by the storm. While at this point Federal Funding is unlikely as a state or federal declaration of disaster will likely NOT be issued for Nicholas, Mayor Brooks Bass issued a local emergency declaration on Sunday which may facilitate assistance through TDEM. Residents are encouraged to contact the city Call Center to report damage to homes or businesses and will be guided to the forms that will need to be filled out. The Call center number is 979-871-0188. Below is a QR code that will take you to the City's self-reporting damage assessment tool. Please fill out the form as completely as possible. This information helps the Cities Emergency Management Officials track the damage within the City and this information is shared with TDEM. City Hall will remain closed tomorrow. Regular trash service will resume on Thursday.

We will keep you informed through Everbridge Citizen Alert, Facebook and our website, www.freeport.tx.us.

Sincerely,
City of Freeport





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