

# Urgent Press Release



**For Immediate Release**  
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## TORNADO DAMAGE

**Lancaster, TX** - At approximately 1:15 p.m. the City of Lancaster activated its outdoor warning system due to an approaching tornado. The City immediately activated its Emergency Operations Command Center and has subsequently the Lancaster City Council declared a local disaster.

Early assessment reports approximately 300 structures have been damaged; approximately 150 of these structures were severely damaged. At this time no fatalities have been reported.

Streets are clear; however, a city-wide curfew will be in effect from 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. A blockade has been established north at Telephone Road to south at Bayport Drive, east to Pebble Beach Drive and west to Sunny Meadow Drive. No one will be allowed within the blockade area.

A shelter has been established at the Lancaster Recreation Center located at 1700 Veterans Memorial Parkway.

For more information contact the City of Lancaster Emergency Operations Center Public Information Office at 972-218-2630.

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