



CITY OF
BEDFORD
Police Department

Jeff Gibson, Police Chief

Citizens of Bedford,

Today, Governor Abbott's Phase One of gradually reopening Texas goes into effect. This allows for retail stores, restaurants, and movie theaters to open, but are required to limit their capacity to 25%. As for City buildings, facilities, and events, the City council will hold a special work session on Tuesday, May 6 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss how Bedford can safely reopen its doors.

At this point, we are taking additional safety steps to continue to serve you professionally and responsibly. During the reopening phases, Bedford Police Officers will now be required to wear certain items of PPE, including eyewear protection and facial coverings. This is not indicative that they have COVID-19 or have even been positively exposed, but out of cautionary measures, as public contact increases due to reopening of businesses and restaurants.

I am proud of our Bedford community and the continued support and cooperation during this difficult time; you have shown that you understand just how serious this crisis has been. We continue to strongly encourage the community to follow CDC and state guidelines, as the virus is not gone.

We strongly discourage block parties, pool parties, and large gatherings during this phase, per the governor's recommendation. Although restrictions are loosening up, we ask that you to continue to be cautious and maintain social distancing in an effort to keep numbers low. Like you, the Bedford Police Department is doing all it can to keep you and your family safe. Stay safe and stay well.

Sincerely,

Jeff Gibson