

## Public Service Announcement

Date:	June 17, 2025
To:	All Media
From:	Martha McInnes, Director
	North Central Public Health District
Subject:	NCPHD Closed in Observation of Juneteenth

North Central Public Health District will be closed on Thursday, June 19, in observance of Juneteenth. NCPHD will reopen for regular business hours on Friday, June 20.

Officially called Juneteenth National Independence Day, Juneteenth is a federal holiday celebrated yearly on June 19 to commemorate the ending of slavery in the United States.

While the Emancipation Proclamation of Jan. 1, 1863 officially freed slaves, word did not reach enslaved people in the westernmost Confederate state of Texas until June 19, 1865. This day of freedom became known as Juneteenth.

To learn more about Juneteenth, please visit the National Museum of African American History & Culture at <u>nmaahc.si.edu/explore/stories/historical-legacy-juneteenth</u>



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