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City of San Antonio workers thank Houston residents for hospitality during debris cleanup

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HOUSTON — On Sept. 3, the City of San Antonio Solid Waste Management Department sent workers to help with debris cleanup in Houston following Hurricane Harvey.

Many Houston residents have thanked the workers for their help, including Houston city workers themselves. However, one SWMD worker is flipping the script and thanking Houston residents for their service to him and his coworkers.

"Good Morning Kingwood! It's coming down to our final days being here. I want to personally Thank you for being gracious and opening up your hearts to us. You have made this experience one I'll never forget. I felt as if I didn't "work" a single day being here. And when you do what you love (helping others in need) it's not "work". We were Deeply saddened after seeing the disaster that was left behind and it made an emotional impact on me as I spoke with a resident. We are so happy that we are helping such a Great community. All the kindness, the drinks, the food, coming up and thanking us, at the traffic light giving us the thumbs up. Made All this worth it! You all are Great people and wish yall the best. God Bless," Albert Barrera said in a Facebook post.

The crew provided over 50 pieces of heavy debris collection equipment and 50 professional operators to help with the cleanup.

"SWMD is honored and stands ready to help our neighbors in Houston," said David W. McCary, SWMD Director. "Houston needs to know that they are not alone. Staff members have volunteered for this undertaking and we are proud to be able to provide the assistance to Houston."

Barrera said they will return on Monday.



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