



Mayor Turner, City Council, state and federal lawmakers celebrate grand opening of Houston's new crime lab

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Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner will join Dr. Peter Stout, CEO and president of the Houston Forensic Science Center, on Tuesday October 22 for a ribbon-cutting ceremony celebrating the grand opening of the city's new crime laboratory.

They will be joined by City Council members, state legislators, Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee, Houston Police Chief Art Acevedo and Harris County District Attorney Kim Ogg for a tour of the new forensic laboratory.

WHERE: 500 Jefferson St.

Houston, Texas 77002

WHEN: 10:50 a.m. to noon, October 22, 2019

SCHEDULE: 10:50 a.m.: Ribbon-cutting, 500 Jefferson St., 18th floor

11:10 a.m.: Tour, 18th floor

11:35 a.m.: News conference, concourse level

The news conference will be followed by a small reception in Suite 250 on the concourse level of 500 Jefferson St.

Paid parking is available at 500 Jefferson

HFSC is a local government corporation that provides forensic services to the City of Houston and other local agencies. HFSC is overseen by a Board of Directors appointed by the Mayor of Houston and confirmed by the Houston City Council. Its management structure is designed to be responsive to a 2009 recommendation by the National Academy of Sciences that called for crime laboratories to be independent of law enforcement and prosecutorial branches of government.

HFSC operates in seven forensic disciplines.

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