

Greetings!

Our District 3 covers 52 square miles and is home to three distinct communities: West Dallas, Oak Cliff and Mountain Creek. With more than 50 neighborhood organizations in our district, it's clear that each area is engaged and taking an active role in working with City government to inform and empower their communities to improve quality-of-life issues.

Throughout the past year, I've been working to link our communities to each other — and to the rest of the City. Together, we've been able to better match City services such as Code Compliance, police patrol and animal control with our neighborhood needs. We also established a District 3 Partners Program that connects our business community with unmet neighborhood needs. It's been a great partnership — and it's getting results.

During this fiscal year, we will continue those efforts while expanding our focus. We are moving from Code Enforcement to Code Compliance by providing staff with the resources and tools to help educate residents on how to bring their properties into compliance and enhance the curb appeal of our neighborhoods. We are also working to obtain an additional police patrol for Mountain Creek, initiate a pilot program in Oak Cliff to move the entire district towards once-weekly garbage and recycling pick-up, reduce residential burglaries and redevelop the Wynnewood Village Shopping Center, among other projects.

As Chairman of the Trinity River Corridor Project, I continue to do everything possible to expedite the project's timetable. Once we reclaim our river, improve flood control, construct the Trinity Parkway and invest in new parks and trails, sustainable development will follow. Already we are seeing investors construct new, mixed-use developments for the next generation and we've recently opened the Trinity River Audubon Center and Trinity Overlook. You can keep track of our progress by signing up for My Trinity River News by writing mytrinityriver@dallascityhall.com

Please contact my office at 214-670-0776 or e-mail me at david.neumann@dallascityhall.com with any concerns, ideas or suggestions. Together, we can continue to build a strong, vibrant community and city.

Sincerely, Dave Neumann, District 3

Community champions

The Lone Ranger had Tonto. Batman had Robin. But who can help you fight chronic crime and complex code cases?

Contact a Community Prosecutor. They work in partnership with residents, law enforcement and Code Compliance staff to develop long-term, community-based solutions to quality-of-life issues such as code and noise violations, prostitution, alcohol offenses and transient crimes. In addition to three national awards from the Department of Justice, the Community Prosecution program continues to be recognized for its ability to use creative and applicable

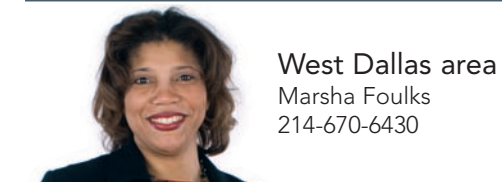
strategies to gain voluntary compliance with code violators, and its use of neighborhood partnerships to enact positive change in the community. Last year, the Community Prosecution team worked approximately 660 active egregious code cases, to gain compliance.

Community Prosecutors:

- Listen to community members' public safety concerns and take those concerns to the courthouse;
• Participate in neighborhood meetings that address crime and quality of life issues;
• Serve as a prosecutorial resource to law enforcement, City departments and community members; and
• Develop and implement innovative strategies to educate the public about the criminal justice system and to prevent crimes.

How can community members get involved with problem-solving efforts? Each targeted neighborhood has an A.C.T.I.O.N. team (for "All Coming Together In Our Neighborhood") that meets once a month. Contact a Community Prosecutor to learn about A.C.T.I.O.N. meeting times and locations.

District 3 Community Prosecutors

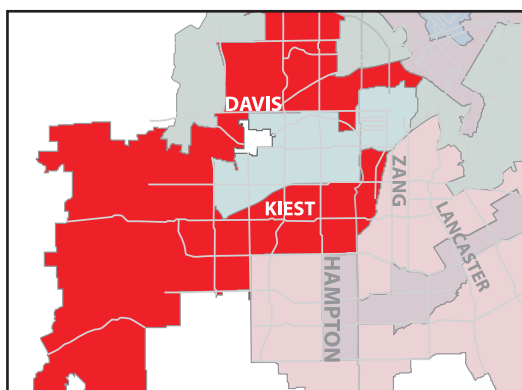


West Dallas area Marsha Foulks 214-670-6430



West Oak Cliff area Whitney (Blake) Sanderlin 214-671-0281

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Libraries:

Hampton-Illinois, 2951 S. Hampton Road 214-670-7646

Dallas West, 2332 Singleton Blvd. 214-670-6445

Mountain Creek, 6102 Mountain Creek Parkway 214-670-6704

Recreation Centers:

Arcadia, 5420 N. Arcadia Drive 214-670-1909

Kiest, 3080 S. Hampton Road 214-670-1918

Mattie Nash/Myrtle Davis, 3710 N. Hampton Road 214-670-6194

Park in the Woods, 6801 Mountain Creek Parkway 214-671-0218

Police Divisions:

Southwest: Sgt. Sharise Hadnot 214-670-6792

South Central: Sgt. Melissa Gregg 214-671-4532

Are you helping to build a Greener Dallas?



Take the first step and make a commitment to recycle by joining the City's "Too Good To Throw Away" program. In District 3, each household participating in the program is recycling an average of 8 pounds per household per month! That's a really good start — but the City's goal is to increase that amount to 30 pounds for each household each month. Want to help? Call 311 to get a Big Blue recycling cart delivered to your home.

Mission: possible



Code department focuses on relationships, solutions in District 3

District 3 South Central Division



Division Manager Steven Williams 469-441-5900



Neighborhood Code Representatives Opal White • 214-994-0566 Sherri Steele • 214-693-0888

One of our big successes is attending career days at elementary schools to teach kids about Code Compliance and what we do. - Travella King, Southwest Division NCR

District 3 Southwest Division



Division Manager Paul Ramon 214-415-8969



Neighborhood Code Representatives Travella King • 972-998-4608 Janet Huerta • 214-597-0704 Harry Christle • 214-864-6995

District 3 looks



It's been a year since the City of Dallas launched www.GreenDallas.net as part of its commitment to environmental responsibility. This comprehensive site is dedicated solely to environmental issues.

Dallas is well on its way to becoming one of the greenest cities in the nation. But such an effort requires the involvement of government and residents alike in District 3.

Here are five simple ways to build a greener Dallas:

- 1. RECYCLE, RECYCLE, RECYCLE Dallas offers single-stream recycling — that means no sorting. It all goes in the same Big Blue container. If you don't have yours already, then call 311 and order your recycle roll-cart today.
2. GREEN YOUR GROCERIES Have you noticed the latest fashion accessory? It's the reusable bag. Next time you're asked "Paper or plastic?" just say "Neither." Many stores now offer their own cloth reusable bags.
3. SAVE A TREE By paying your bills online, you'll not only save a tree, but also time

and postage. Of course, you can always make the world a little greener by planting a tree.

- 4. MAKE EVERY DROP COUNT Although 70 percent of Earth's surface is covered in water, we need to conserve all that we can. Run your dishwasher and washing machine only when you've got a full load; water your lawn in the evening (less water will evaporate); take shorter showers; and turn off the faucet when brushing your teeth.
5. CLEAN THE AIR BY GREENING YOUR RIDE Did you know you can help clean the air by doing routine maintenance on your vehicle? Inflate your tires — you'll get better gas mileage and spew fewer emissions from your tailpipe. Fuel up in the evening — the gas fumes won't bake in the Texas sun all day and cause smog/ozone. Consider carpooling, riding DART, biking to work or telecommuting.

This approach recently worked in a blighted area of West Dallas, where the City surveyed citizens about concerns. Crime was the first issue cited, but vacant homes, open structures, high weeds and litter were also high on residents' lists of concerns.

"In one week's time, we went into this area and we addressed about 340 locations," he says. "We went in and eliminated all the code violations, and police did drug arrests and traffic stops. If you send one firefighter to a house on fire, you may succeed," he adds. "But if you send a brigade, which Code did with the Streets and Sanitation departments as well as police, you're really more effective. Then all you really have to do is maintain."

Code also sees a need for a more citizen-friendly approach, with an emphasis on education and the occasional helping hand. Because homeowners and business owners often do not know every ordinance that applies to their properties, a neighborhood representative will inform a noncompliant citizen of a violation, offer solutions and, if necessary, suggest resources he or she can call for help.

"If someone is elderly, disabled, has money issues and can't resolve the problems, our Code reps step in and try to

The new neighborhood representatives are putting a face on the department by acting as liaisons between citizens and Code.

find resources to help them alleviate the problems without taking compliance action against them," Mr. Ramon says. "Because really, you're not helping the situation [by fining them], you're just creating another burden."