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TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

February 28, 2024, Agenda Item 24-543 - American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA): Reallocation and Reprogramming - Update

On February 28, 2024, the City Council approved the ordinance authorizing transfers and appropriation adjustments to the FY 2023-24 General Fund budget and the Grant, Trust, and Other budget to facilitate a reallocation and limited reprogramming of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF).

The item was amended and includes the reallocation of \$159.3 million in ARPA funding to the General Fund to support Dallas Fire Rescue emergency response payroll, making available \$159.3 million of General Fund funding to continue programs and projects previously approved by the City Council for ARPA funding. This item also reprograms \$18.5 million (of the \$28.1 million recommendation) to new uses. The table below provides a list of the source of funds for reprogramming, and the new projects approved by the City Council.

| Source of Funds | <u>Amount</u> |
|---|---------------|
| Interest Income & FEMA Reimbursement | \$7,615,878 |
| Digital Divide | 17,961,207 |
| Theatre Spaces | 550,000 |
| Cultural Programming | 325,000 |
| Personal Protective Equipment & Disinfection | 1,673,965 |
| Total Source of Funds | \$28,126,050 |
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| Use of Funds | <u>Amount</u> |
| Projects Approved by City Council - February 28 | |
| City Hall Maintenance (Generators \$6.5M and | \$7,659,542 |
| Electrical \$1.2M) | |
| Deferred Maintenance and Resilience (Grant | 6,400,000 |
| Match for Solar \$2M, Resilience at MLK Center | |
| \$1.4M, and Citywide Deferred Maintenance | |
| \$3M) | |
| Fire Station Alerting System | 3,237,908 |
| Demolition | 1,200,000 |
| Total Reallocation Approved - February 28 | \$18,497,450 |
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| ARPA Reallocation Fund - Projects to be | 9,628,600 |
| decided by City Council at a future meeting | |
| Total Use of Funds | \$28,126,050 |

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The City Council will continue discussion of ARPA reprogramming on the following dates:

- Government Performance and Financial Management Briefing April 22, 2024
- City Council Briefing May 1, 2024
- City Council approval of remaining reprogramming May 8, 2024

If you have any questions, please contact me or Janette Weedon, Director of Budget & Management Services.

Jack Ireland

Chief Financial Officer

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SUBJECT Bond Sale Results - General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2024A

On March 7, 2024, the City received bids in a competitive sale of its General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2024A (the "Bonds"). Despite an abundance of supply in the market, the City received an exceptional response to the Bonds, receiving 18 bids for a par amount of \$48.76 million with true interest costs (TIC) ranging from a low of 3.275179 percent to a high of 3.437904 percent. The winning bid submitted was from Truist Securities, Inc. with a cover bid submitted by Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc. at only 0.00045% higher, reflecting a very competitive bid. Final pricing for the Bonds resulted in an adjusted par amount of \$48.97 million and a bond premium of \$5.2 million.

On January 24, 2024, the City Council approved a resolution authorizing the preparation of plans and the payment of potential future costs for the issuance of the Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$55,000,000, for the purpose of refunding special obligations of the City as required by a judgment awarded to Trinity East Energy, LLC. Subsequently, an ordinance authorizing the issuance of the Bonds was approved by the City Council on February 14, 2024. Prior to the issuance of the bonds, S&P Global Ratings assigned its 'AA-' rating, and Fitch Ratings assigned its 'AA' rating to the Bonds. The Bonds are scheduled to close on March 26, 2024.

In spite of a recently volatile market and a surge in municipal issuances, the response to the City's Bonds was exceptionally positive and investor demand was very strong. The outcome of the City's bond sale benefited from sustained credit ratings and an anticipated shift in market rates following a congressional hearing of the House Financial Services Committee, which lowered the overall borrowing cost and made for a smooth transaction. I am pleased once again to report excellent results from a City of Dallas bond sale and look forward to continuing successful transactions this year.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Jack Ireland Chief Financial Officer

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TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT Cancellation of the 2024 Bond Informational Townhall Meetings

2024 Bond Program Background

As part of the City Council briefings in December 2023 and February 2024, the Office of Bond and Construction Management (BCM) provided a timeline with major milestones leading to a May 2024 election. The timeline shared in the City Council briefings included Informational Townhall Meetings in April 2024. On February 14, 2024, the City Council approved an ordinance approving a May 2024 Bond election.

Following the City Council approval of the May 2024 Bond Election on February 14, 2024. BCM began finalizing the project listing for the Bond program with members of Dallas City Council and working with multiple departments to coordinate the April Informational Townhall Meetings. Since beginning the planning for the 2024 Bond Informational Townhall Meetings has started, clarification has been provided which will result in the cancellation of the town hall meetings. The purpose of this memorandum is to provide additional details which led to the cancellation of the 2024 Bond Informational Townhall Meetings.

Memorandum of Rules of Political Activity and Advocacy

On March 1, 2024, the City Attorney's Office (CAO) provided a memorandum to the City Council Members and City Officials providing general information on applicable rules and regulations guiding political activity and advocacy as it relates to the bond program. Within that memorandum, it was stressed that City Council Members or City Officials cannot "knowingly spend or authorize the spending of public funds for political advertising" or for "communication describing a ballot measure in an election" that would reasonably likely influence a voter to vote for or against a proposition.

Additional Clarification on Bond Informational Townhall Meetings

Since the distribution of the CAO memorandum, BCM met with the CAO for clarification as it related to the informational townhall meetings. It was determined that discussions of individual projects at the informational townhalls would reasonably likely influence a voter to vote for or against a proposition. Any Informational Townhall Meetings would be restricted to the ballot language, proposition description, proposition amount and the payback amount for that proposition with no reference to individual projects.

As a result of the project listing discussion restriction, the informational townhalls for the 2024 Bond program have been cancelled. The Bond Office is working the CAO and bond counsel to determine when the individual project listing can be shared with the public.

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If you have any questions please contact Jenny Nicewander, Director, Office of Bond & Construction Management at jennifer.nicewander@dallas.gov.

Robert M. Perez, Ph.D. Assistant City Manager

Attachment: City Attorney Office Memorandum, Political Activities and Advocacy of City Council Members, City Officials, and City Employees for an Election Ordered by the City of Dallas for a measure or Proposition

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February 14, 2024

TO:

The Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers, City Officials, and City

Employees

SUBJECT

Political Activities and Advocacy of City Councilmembers, City Officials, and City

Employees for an Election Ordered by the City of Dallas for a Measure or

Proposition

This memorandum has been prepared in anticipation of the upcoming bond election for the 2024 Bond Program; this memorandum summarizes the applicable rules and regulations governing political activities and advocacy of city councilmembers, city officials, and city employees in an election ordered by the city for a measure or proposition. Some of these rules and regulations apply to all three categories of persons listed above, but some rules specifically apply to a category of persons. Therefore, this memorandum sets forth general information and then divides the three categories of persons for the specific applicable rules.¹

General Information

- 1. An officer or employee of a political subdivision may not knowingly spend or authorize the spending of public funds for political advertising.²
- 2. An officer³ or employee of a political subdivision *may not spend or authorize the spending of public funds* for a communication describing a ballot measure in an election ordered by the City of Dallas if the communication contains information that (1) the officer or employee knows is false and (2) is sufficiently substantial and important as to be reasonably likely to influence a voter to vote for or against the measure.⁴
- 3. A person violating Sections 1 and 2 above, 5 commits a Class A misdemeanor. 6

TEX. ELEC. CODE §255.003(a). Subsection (a) does not apply to a communication that factually describes the purposes of a measure if the communication does not advocate passage or defeat of the measure. *Id.* § 225.003(b).

TEX. ELEC. CODE § 255.003(b-1) (emphasis added).

Id. § 255.003(a), (b-1).

6 Id. §255.003(c).

This memorandum explains the requirements of the Texas Election Code and the Dallas Ethics Code but does not provide a "safe harbor" from the requirements of Texas Election Code and is not an ethics advisory opinion under DALLAS CITY CODE § 12-47(d) or TEX. ELEC. CODE § 255.003(e).

See Officer, Black's Law Dictionary (11th ed. 2019) ("Officer (14c) - Someone who holds an office of trust, authority, or command. In public affairs, the term refers especially to a person holding public office under a national, state, or local government, and authorized by that government to exercise some specific function.")

- 4. Neither the Texas Election Code nor the Texas Ethics Commission (TEC) specifically define public funds; however, the TEC has issued opinions concluding that the use of public funds means any use of a political subdivision's resources, including, but not limited to, public facilities, employees' work time, internal email system and other equipment, including printers and city phones, as well as the city's logo.⁷
- 5. "Political advertising" means:
 - (a) a communication supporting or opposing a candidate for nomination or election to a public office or office of a political party, a political party, a public officer, that:

 (A) in return for consideration, is published in a newspaper, magazine, or other periodical or is broadcast by radio or television; or (B) appears: (i) in a pamphlet, circular, flier, billboard or other sign, bumper sticker, or similar form of written communication; or (ii) on an Internet website; and
 - (b) a communication that advocates passage or defeat of a measure, and that: (A) in return for consideration, is published in a newspaper, magazine, or other periodical or is broadcast by radio or television; or (B) appears: (i) in a pamphlet, circular, flier, billboard or other sign, bumper sticker, or similar form of written communication.⁹

For more information, consult the Guide to the Prohibition Against Using Political Subdivision Resources for Political Advertising in Connection with an Election (attached).

City Councilmembers

- 1. A city councilmember is not prohibited from lending their name and official city title/office held in connection with any election ordered by the City of Dallas on a proposition or measure or any election for public office.¹⁰
- 2. A city councilmember may not, directly or indirectly, induce or attempt to induce any city subordinate to:
 - a. participate in an election campaign;
 - b. contribute to a political committee;
 - c. engage in any other political activity related to an issue; or
 - d. refrain from engaging in any lawful political activity.

A general statement merely encouraging another person to vote is allowed.¹¹

⁷ See Tex. Ethics Comm'n Op. No. 45 (1992); Tex. Ethics Comm'n Op. No.443 (2002); Tex. Ethics Comm'n Op. No. 532 (2015).

^{*} TEX. ELEC. CODE § 251.001(16).

A Short Guide to the Prohibition Against Using Political Subdivision Resources for Political Advertising in Connection with an Election, TEX. ETHICS COMM'N (Oct. 12, 2017), https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/resources/advertising/Bsub adv.php.

DALLAS CITY CODE § 12A-21(a)(1)(B) & (C).

¹¹ *Id.* § 12A-21(c).

- 3. A city councilmember shall not directly or indirectly accept anything of value for political activity relating to an item pending on the ballot of an election ordered by the City of Dallas, if the city councilmember participated in, or provided advice relating to, the exercise of discretionary authority by a city body that contributed to the development of the ballot item. "Anything of value" does not include a meal or other item of nominal value the city councilmember receives in return for providing information on an item pending on the ballot. 12
- 4. Political advertising.
 - a. A city councilmember may not knowingly spend or authorize the spending of public funds (including public resources) for political advertising.¹³
 - b. A city councilmember may not use the city's internal mail system for the distribution of political advertising. 14

City Officials

- 1. A "city official" includes:
 - a. city council members;
 - b. municipal judges;
 - c. the city manager, the chief of staff, assistant city managers, and chiefs;
 - d. the city auditor and first assistant city auditor;
 - e. the city attorney, first assistant city attorney, and inspector general;
 - f. the city secretary and first assistant city secretary;
 - g. all department directors and their supervisors;
 - h. members of city boards and commissions;
 - i. members appointed by the city council to boards of entities not created by the city council;
 - j. the chief financial officer; and
 - k. for purposes of Chapter 12A only, a volunteer on committees or task forces formed by boards or commissions. 15
- 2. A city official (who is a city official only because that person is an appointed member of a board, commission, or body) shall not use the prestige of their position with the city on behalf of a political committee. ¹⁶ A city official (who is a city official only because that person is an appointed member of a board, commission, or body) may, however, lend their name so long as the office held with the city is not mentioned in connection with the endorsement. ¹⁷

¹² Id. § 12A-21(d).

TEX. ELEC. CODE § 255.003(a).

¹⁴ Id. § 255.0031(a).

¹⁵ DALLAS CITY CODE § 12A-2(22).

¹⁶ Id. § 12A-21(a)(1).

¹⁷ Id. § 12A-21(a)(1)(A).

- 3. A city official may not solicit or receive contributions for a political committee.¹⁸ A city official may serve on a steering committee to plan a program of solicitation. The city official's name may be listed, without reference to the city official's title, when the committee as a whole is listed.¹⁹
- 4. A city official may not, directly or indirectly, induce or attempt to induce any city subordinate to:
 - a. participate in an election campaign;
 - b. contribute to a political committee;
 - c. engage in any other political activity related to a particular issue; or
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- 6. A city official may display campaign bumper stickers on their personal vehicle but may not display campaign bumper stickers on a city vehicle. A city official must remove campaign bumper stickers from a city vehicle that is under the city official's control.²²
- 7. A city official may not use city facilities, personnel, equipment, or supplies for private purposes, including political purposes, except pursuant to city policies or to the extent and according to the terms that those city resources are available to the public.²³
- 8. Political advertising.
 - a. A city official may not knowingly spend or authorize the spending of public funds (including public resources) for political advertising.²⁴
 - b. A city official may not spend or authorize the spending of public funds for a communication describing a measure in an election ordered by the City of Dallas if the communication contains information that (1) the city official knows is false and (2) is sufficiently substantial and important as to be reasonably likely to influence a voter to vote for or against the measure.²⁵

20 *Id.* § 12A-21(c).

¹⁸ Id. § 12A-21(a)(3).

¹⁹ *Id*.

²¹ Id. § 12A-21(d).

²² *Id.* § 12A-21(e).

²³ Id. §§ 12A-20 and & 12A-21(h).

²⁴ TEX. ELEC. CODE § 255.003(a).

²⁵ *Id.* § 255.003(b-1).

c. A city official may not use the city's internal mail system for the distribution of political advertising. ²⁶

City Employees

- 1. A city employee includes any person listed on the City of Dallas payroll as an employee, whether part-time, full-time, permanent, or temporary.²⁷
- 2. A city employee may not use the prestige of their position with the city on behalf of any political committee. 28
- 3. A city employee may not, directly or indirectly, induce or attempt to induce any city subordinate to:
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- 5. A city employee may not use city facilities, personnel, equipment, or supplies for private purposes, including political purposes, except pursuant to city policies or to the extent and according to the terms that those city resources are available to the public.³¹
- 6. A city employee may not wear city council campaign buttons or distribute campaign literature while at work, in a city uniform, or in a City of Dallas building.³²
- 7. Political advertising.
 - a. A city employee may not knowingly spend or authorize the spending of public funds (or public resources) for political advertising.³³

²⁶ *Id.* § 255.0031(a).

DALLAS CITY CODE § 12A-2(16).

²⁸ *Id.* § 12A-21(f).

²⁹ *Id.* § 12A-21(c).

³⁰ *Id.* § 12A-21(e).

³¹ *Id.* §§ 12A-20 & 21(h).

DALLAS CITY CODE § 12A-10(g); DALLAS CITY CHARTER Ch. XVI § 16(b)(4).

³³ TEX. ELEC. CODE § 255.003(a).

- b. A city employee may not use the city's internal mail system for the distribution of political advertising.³⁴
- c. A city employee shall not directly or indirectly accept anything of value for political activity relating to an item pending on a ballot in an election ordered by the City of Dallas, if the city employee participated in, or provided advice relating to, the exercise of discretionary authority by a city body that contributed to the development of the ballot item. "Anything of value" does not include a meal or other item of nominal value the city employee receives in return for providing information on an item pending on the ballot.³⁵
- 8. A city employee may not spend or authorize the spending of public funds for a communication describing a measure in an election ordered by the City of Dallas if the communication contains information that (1) the city employee knows is false and (2) is sufficiently substantial and important as to be reasonably likely to influence a voter to vote for or against the measure.³⁶

Discussion of Matters Before Calling the Election

The Texas Election Code prohibits the use of public resources to advocate passage or failure of a ballot measure.³⁷ However, the Election Code does not specifically state when this prohibition applies. The TEC has recognized that this prohibition does not apply when city council members discuss whether to place an issue before the voters.³⁸ In TEC Advisory Opinion No. 456, the TEC determined that Section 255.003 was not "intended to inhibit discussion of matters pending before a governmental body. When a city council holds a meeting to discuss whether to place an issue before the voters, council members and members of the public are likely to voice opinions about the issues."³⁹ The TEC went on to say that the Election Code would not prohibit broadcasting such discussions if broadcasting is the customary practice of the city since the resource was not used "for" political advertising and broadcasting a statement in support or opposition to a ballot measure was incidental.⁴⁰

While the TEC opinion indicates that the governing body may allow discussion of the issues when debating whether to place the items before the voters, the Election Code and numerous TEC Advisory Opinions (cited earlier in this memo) make it clear that other uses of a public facility or publicly-funded newsletter sent through the city's email, are impermissible uses of public resources. Further examples of impermissible use of public resources include the use of a city letterhead, internal email system, city-contracted video production, and even a government owned vehicle for transportation to events for political advertising. And, because the Election Code is

³⁴ *Id.* § 255.0031(a).

DALLAS CITY CODE § 12A-21(d).

³⁶ TEX. ELEC. CODE § 255.003(b-1).

³⁷ *Id*.

³⁸ TEX. ETHICS COMM'N OP. NO 456 (2004).

³⁹ *Id*.

⁴⁰ *Id*.

TEX. ETHICS COMM'N OP. No. 550 (2019). See also TEX. ETHICS COMM'N OP. No. 456 (2004); TEX. ETHICS COMM'N OP. No. 556 (2020).

⁴² TEX. ETHICS COMM'N OP. No. 550 (2019).

silent as to *when* use of public resources to advocate on behalf of a measure, or a potential measure, are impermissible, our office cautions against any use of public resources at any time to advocate on behalf of or in opposition to an item that could become a measure on an upcoming ballot.

Please distribute this memorandum as you deem necessary or appropriate.

TAMMY L. PALOMINO

City Attorney

Attachment: Guide to the Prohibition Against Using Political Subdivision Resources for Political Advertising in Connection with an Election (Texas Ethics Commission)

c: Bertram Vandenberg, Chief of General Counsel Bart Bevers, Inspector General Baron Eliason, Chief Integrity Officer

T.C. Broadnax, City Manager



DATE March 6. 2024

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council

SUBJECT Affordable Connectivity Program Wind-Down Update

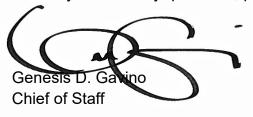
This memorandum serves as an update related to the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) wind-down as previously briefed to the Workforce, Education, and Equity Committee on February 12, 2024 and by memorandum on March 5, 2024. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has issued a Public Notice announcing that April 2024 will be the last fully funded month for the ACP benefit.

Staff and Dallas Innovation Alliance, the contacted service provider for the Digital Navigators Program, are working with other organizations across the city to ensure that current ACP participants are aware of the end of the ACP and understand the impact to their monthly subscription bill. In addition, Digital Navigators will work directly with individuals to assist them in exploring low-cost subscription options.

Staff is providing a summary of existing low-cost plans currently available through the two main internet service providers in Dallas: Access from AT&T and Spectrum Internet Assist. The table provided in Exhibit 1 is a high-level overview of each plan's offerings and for reference, the ACP's eligibility criteria is listed.

The FAQs in Exhibit 2 were developed in collaboration with community stakeholders following a recent roundtable hosted by the City and FCC representatives. The FAQs will be made available in various languages, distributed to community organizations, and made available in City facilities.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.



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SUBJECT Affordable Connectivity Program Update

EXHIBIT 1

| | Access from AT&T | Spectrum Internet Assist |
|----------------|--|---|
| Link | https://www.att.com/internet/access/ | https://www.spectrum.com/internet/spectrum- |
| | | <u>internet-assist</u> |
| Cost per month | \$30.00 | \$19.99 |
| Eligibility | 1. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program | National School Lunch Program (NSLP) |
| | (SNAP) | 2. Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) of |
| | 2. Supplemental Security Income (SSI) for | the NSLP |
| | California residents only | 3. Supplemental Security Income (for |
| | 3. Income (temporary)* | applicants age 65+ only) |
| | 4. National School Lunch program | |
| | *Based on 200% of Federal Poverty Level | |

Affordable Connectivity Eligibility Guidelines (meet at least one criteria below)

- Has an income that is at or below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines;
- Participates in certain assistance programs, such as SNAP, Medicaid, Federal Public Housing Assistance, SSI, WIC, or Lifeline;
- Participates in Tribal specific programs, such as Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance, Tribal TANF, or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations;
- Is approved to receive benefits under the free and reduced-price school lunch program or the school breakfast program, including through the USDA Community Eligibility Provision in the 2019-2020, 2020-2021, or 2021-2022 school year;
- Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year; or
- Meets the eligibility criteria for a participating provider's existing low-income program.

Your internet bill might increase by \$30 this May.

Congress may soon end the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP).

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

- ACP applications and enrollments are no longer being processed as of February 8, 2024.
- Households who have applied, been approved and are receiving the monthly internet discount before February 8, 2024 will continue to receive their ACP benefit until ACP funds run out, as long as the household remains enrolled in the program.
- After the ACP funds run out (projected in April 2024), households participating in the ACP will no longer receive the ACP discounts.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR YOU?

Be prepared for your internet bill to increase. You have the following options to soften the impact:

- Take no action and keep your existing internet service, but prepare to pay \$30 more each month.
- Call your internet service provider to ask for a cheaper plan. Some offer special "low-cost" plans for people who are eligible for the ACP.
- Remember that you have the right to change or cancel your ACP-discounted internet service plan with no penalty.

Enroll in the federal Lifeline program if you are not already participating.





HOW MUCH LONGER WILL MY ACP BENEFIT LAST?

Your ACP discount will continue through April. Starting in May, you will see a bill increase.

WHO WILL CONTACT ME?

Your provider will send three notifications: the first should have arrived by Jan. 25. 2024: the second follows the FCC's announcement of the final ACP month by 14 days, and the third coincides with the last billing cycle applying the full ACP benefit before the program ends.

The notifications will tell you:

- How your bill will change without the ACP discount.
- The date of the last bill that will include the ACP discount.
- How you may change plans, transfer to a different provider or cancel your service without penalty when the ACP ends.

FOR ASSISTANCE AND MORE INFORMATION:

To file a complaint, call: 888-CALL-FCC (888-225-5322)

Feel free to contact the Dallas County Connects Hotline at 469-946-9491 for any questions or concerns related to the ACP Wind-Down.





Frequently Asked Questions

What are the consumer protection requirements for Internet Service Providers (ISPs) participating in the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) during its wind-down phase?

ISPs must adhere to consumer protection requirements even during the wind-down phase of the ACP. This includes refraining from engaging in unjust and unreasonable acts or practices that would undermine the purpose, intent or integrity of the ACP. These requirements aim to protect consumers from financial harm and ensure that eligible households do not face additional financial burdens.

Will the consumer protection requirements remain applicable after subscribers cease receiving the ACP benefit?

Yes, some consumer protection requirements will continue to apply even after subscribers stop receiving the ACP benefit. This is to ensure that eligible households are not subjected to additional financial burdens and that ISPs fulfill their obligations to consumers.

Can ISPs mitigate financial burdens on consumers after the end of the ACP?

Yes, ISPs can help mitigate additional financial burdens on consumers after the end of the ACP by offering low-cost internet service plans specifically designed for low-income consumers or by transitioning consumers to existing low-cost plans. This aims to support households in maintaining affordable internet access.

What happens if an eligible household fails to pay the charges for ACP- supported service?

Under ACP rules, participating ISPs cannot terminate an eligible household's ACP-supported service due to non-payment until 90 days have passed since the bill payment due date. ISPs are permitted to switch the household to a lower-cost plan if they enter a delinquent status after the due date, with advance notice to the household.

Are early termination fees applicable to eligible households who terminate service plans subject to extended service contracts after the ACP ends?

No, ISPs cannot charge early termination fees to eligible households who terminate service plans subject to extended service contracts even after the ACP ends. This protects households from financial penalties for terminating service contracts early, even if they no longer receive the ACP benefit.

How are ISPs prohibited from engaging in unjust and unreasonable acts or practices related to the ACP?

ISPs are prohibited from engaging in any acts or practices that would undermine the purpose, intent or integrity of the ACP, even after households stop receiving the ACP benefit. This includes false or misleading advertising of the ACP or holding themselves out as ACP participating providers when they are not. Violations can be reported to the FCC.

How can consumers file a complaint regarding provider compliance with ACP rules and wind-down requirements?

Consumers with concerns about provider compliance with ACP rules and wind-down requirements can file a complaint with the Commission by visiting ConsumerComplaints.fcc.gov. Households with questions may contact the ACP Support Center at 877-384-2575 or acpinfo@fcc.gov. Consumers who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing may use the ASL Hotline at 844-432-2275.





Su factura de internet podría aumentar \$30 en el mes de mayo.

El Congreso podría poner fin pronto al Programa de Conectividad Asequible (ACP, por sus siglas en inglés).

LO QUE NECESITA SABER:

- Las solicitudes e inscripciones al ACP ya no se procesarán a partir del 8 de febrero de 2024.
- Los hogares que hayan solicitado, hayan sido aprobados y estén recibiendo el descuento mensual de internet antes del 8 de febrero de 2024 seguirán recibiendo su beneficio del ACP hasta que se agoten los fondos del ACP, siempre y cuando el hogar permanezca inscrito en el programa.
- Luego de que se agoten los fondos del ACP (proyectado para abril de 2024), los hogares que participan en el ACP ya no recibirán los descuentos del ACP.

¿QUÉ SIGNIFICA ESTO PARA USTED?

Prepárese para que su factura de Internet aumente. Tiene las siguientes opciones para aminorar el impacto:

- No realice ninguna acción y mantenga su servicio de internet actual, pero prepárese para pagar \$30 más cada mes.
- Llame a su proveedor de servicios de internet para solicitar un plan más económico. Algunos ofrecen planes especiales de "bajo costo" para personas que cumplen con los requisitos para el ACP.
- Recuerde que tiene derecho a cambiar o cancelar su plan de servicio de internet con descuento del ACP sin penalización alguna.
- Inscríbase en el programa federal Lifeline si aún no participa en él.





¿CUÁNTO MÁS DURARÁ MI **BENEFICIO ACP?**

Su descuento del ACP continuará hasta abril. A partir de mayo, verá un aumento en la factura.

¿QUIÉN ME CONTACTARÁ?

Su proveedor le enviará tres notificaciones: la primera debería haberse recibido antes del 25 de enero de 2024, la segunda llegará 14 días luego de que la FCC anuncie el último mes del ACP y la tercera coincidirá con el último ciclo de facturación en el que se aplique el beneficio completo del ACP antes de que finalice el programa.

Las notificaciones le indicarán:

- Cómo cambiará su factura sin el descuento del ACP.
- La fecha de la última factura que incluirá el descuento del ACP.
- Cómo puede cambiar de plan, cambiarse a otro proveedor o cancelar su servicio sin penalización alguna cuando finalice el ACP.

PARA OBTENER ASISTENCIA Y MÁS INFORMACIÓN:

Para presentar una denuncia, llame al: 888-CALL-FCC (888-225-5322)

No dude en comunicarse con la Línea Directa de Dallas County Connects al 469-946-9491 si tiene alguna pregunta o inquietud relacionada con la Finalización del ACP.





Preguntas frecuentes & ACP Affordable Connectivity Program





¿Cuáles son los requisitos de protección al consumidor para los proveedores de servicio de internet (ISP, por sus siglas en inglés) que participan en el Programa de Conectividad Asequible (ACP, por sus siglas en inglés) durante su fase de finalización?

Los ISP deben cumplir con los requisitos de protección al consumidor incluso durante la fase de finalización del ACP. Esto incluye, abstenerse de participar en actos o prácticas injustas e irrazonables que socaven el propósito, la intención o la integridad del ACP. Estos requisitos tienen como objetivo proteger a los consumidores de daños financieros y garantizar que los hogares que cumplen con los requisitos no enfrenten cargas financieras adicionales.

¿Seguirán aplicando los requisitos de protección al consumidor después de que los suscriptores dejen de recibir el beneficio del ACP?

Sí, algunos requisitos de protección al consumidor continuarán aplicándose incluso después de que los suscriptores dejen de recibir el beneficio del ACP. Esto es para garantizar que los hogares que cumplen con los requisitos no estén sujetos a cargas financieras adicionales y que los ISP cumplan con sus obligaciones con los consumidores.

¿Pueden los ISP mitigar las cargas financieras de los consumidores después del fin del ACP?

Sí, los ISP pueden ayudar a mitigar las cargas financieras adicionales de los consumidores después del final del ACP ofreciendo planes de servicio de internet de bajo costo diseñados específicamente para consumidores de bajos ingresos o cambiar a los consumidores a planes de bajo costo existentes. Su objetivo es ayudar a los hogares a mantener un acceso asequible a internet.

¿Qué sucede si un hogar que cumple con los requisitos no paga los cargos por el servicio respaldado por el ACP?

Según las reglas del ACP, los ISP participantes no pueden cancelar el servicio respaldado por el ACP de un hogar que cumple con los requisitos debido a la falta de pago hasta que hayan pasado 90 días desde la fecha de vencimiento del pago de la factura. A los ISP se les permite cambiar al hogar a un plan de menor costo si entran en un estado de morosidad después de la fecha de vencimiento, con previo aviso al hogar.

¿Se aplican cargos por cancelación anticipada a los hogares que cumplen con los requisitos que cancelan los planes de servicio sujetos a contratos de servicio extendido después de que finalice el ACP?

No, los ISP no pueden cobrar cargos por cancelación anticipada a los hogares que cumplen con los requisitos que cancelen planes de servicio sujetos a contratos de servicio extendido, incluso después de que finalice el ACP. Esto protege a los hogares de sanciones financieras por rescindir anticipadamente los contratos de servicio, incluso si ya no reciben el beneficio del ACP.

¿Cómo se prohíbe a los proveedores de servicio de internet participar en actos o prácticas injustas e irrazonables relacionados con el ACP?

Los ISP tienen prohibido participar en cualquier acto o práctica que socave el propósito, la intención o la integridad del ACP, incluso después de que los hogares dejen de recibir el beneficio del ACP. Esto incluye publicidad falsa o engañosa del ACP o presentarse como proveedores participantes del ACP cuando no lo son. Las violaciones pueden ser reportadas a la FCC.

¿Cómo pueden los consumidores presentar una queja sobre el cumplimiento del proveedor con las reglas del ACP y los requisitos de la finalización?

Los consumidores que tengan inquietudes sobre el cumplimiento de los proveedores con las reglas del ACP y los requisitos de finalización pueden presentar una queja ante la Comisión visitando ConsumerComplaints.fcc.gov. Los hogares que tengan preguntas pueden comunicarse con el Centro de Apoyo del ACP al (877) 384-2575 o enviando un correo electrónico a acpinfo@fcc.gov. Los consumidores con discapacidad auditiva o con problemas de audición pueden usar la línea directa de ASL al (844) 432-2275.



DATE March 8, 2024

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of Council

SUBJECT 2024 Community Survey (Residential)

Budget & Management Services (BMS) is partnering with ETC Institute (ETC) for the Community Survey, which will launch March 2024. The purpose of the Community Survey is to assess resident perceptions of Dallas and understand community priorities regarding City services. On October 23, 2023, Government Performance and Financial Management (GPFM) Committee was invited to provide feedback regarding the survey design (survey questions) by December 30, 2023. City Council authorized a two-year service contract, for resident and business surveys with ETC Institute (Resolution 23-2725) on November 8, 2023.

The survey and its administration are standardized to ensure high-quality survey methods and results that are statistically significant. ETC selects participating households at random, and the household member who responds is selected without bias. Mailings and follow-up phone calls give each randomly selected household more than one chance to complete the survey. Materials are mailed in English, and assistance is available for Spanish speakers to complete the survey. All survey responses remain anonymous. Although the selected sample is reflective of the demographics of the City, certain groups (by age, race, or gender) may be over or under-represented in the final results, depending on who chooses to respond. However, ETC will ensure at least 150 responses are collected from each City Council district.

The survey is customized for Dallas and developed in close cooperation with City staff to ensure comparability with previous Community Surveys (conducted in 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2011, 2013, 2014, 2016, 2018, 2023) and allow for trend analysis. ETC has also partnered with 24 of the 34 cities in the U.S. with populations greater than 500,000 and provides comparisons with those jurisdictions.

DATE March 8, 2024

SUBJECT 2024 Community Survey

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ETC will administer the survey and we plan to brief City Council on the results in June. We have attached digital materials for you to share with your constituents prior to the survey launch to encourage them to complete the survey if they are selected.

Please contact me or Janette Weedon, Director of Budget & Management Services, if you have questions.

Jack Ireland

Chief Financial Officer

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Community SURVEY

March - May

You're our most important customer!

Let us know how we're doing!
Check the mail to see if you were randomly selected to participate in the City of Dallas 2024 Community Survey.





DallasMeasures@dallas.gov





Encuesta comunitaria

Marzo a mayo

¡Usted es nuestro cliente más importante!

¡Háganos saber qué piensa de nuestros servicios! Revise su correo para ver si fue elegido al azar para participar en la Encuesta Comunitaria de la Ciudad de Dallas de 2024.

¿Necesita más información? ¡No dude en preguntar!



DallasMeasures@dallas.gov



DATE March 8, 2024

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

City Council Listening Sessions in Advance of FY 2024-25 Budget Development - Revised Schedule

On Friday, March 1, 2024 Budget & Management Services distributed the schedule for the upcoming City Council Listening Sessions that are scheduled for March 25 through March 28.

Council District 3 requested to add two listening sessions:

- Monday, March 25, 2024 meeting to be held in person at Thurgood Marshall Recreation Center
- Thursday, March 28, 2024 meeting virtually, details at bit.ly/dallasbudgettownhall

For more information on budget town hall meetings, including the full schedule, please visit the <u>Financial Transparency website</u>.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Janette Weedon, Director of Budget and Management Services.

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WE WANT YOUR INPUT ON THE CITY'S BUDGET!



Join us at a budget town hall meeting.

We invite all Dallas residents to weigh in on how the City's tax dollars are spent for **Fiscal Year 2024-25**.

Residents can voice their opinion **virtually or in person.**



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| | March Town Ha | all Meetings Sch | nedi | ule |
| DAY / DATE / TIME | HOSTED BY | MEETING TYPE | | PARTICIPATION INFO |
| Monday, March 25 | | | | |
| 6:00 p.m. | Council Member Jesse Moreno District 2 | Virtual | * | Find details on how to join by scanning QR code or visiting bit.ly/dallasbudgettownhall |
| 6:00 p.m. | Council Member Adam Bazaldua District 7 | In Person | | Skyline Branch Library 6006 Everglade Road |
| 6:00 p.m. | Mayor Pro Tem Tennell Atkins District 8 | In Person | * | Kleberg Rylie Recreation Center 1515 Edd Road |
| 6:30 p.m. | Council Member Zarin Gracey District 3 | In Person | | Thurgood Marshall Recreation Center 5150 Mark Trail Way |
| 6:30 p.m. | Council Member Jaime Resendez District 5 | In Person | | Dallas College Pleasant Grove Center 802 South Buckner Boulevard |
| 6:30 p.m. | Council Member Gay Donnell Willis District 13 | In Person | | Walnut Hill Recreation Center 10011 Midway Road |
| Tuesday, March 26 | 0 | I B | * | Martin M. C. C. |
| 5:30 p.m. | Council Member Chad West District 1 | In Person | * | Martin Weiss Recreation Center 1111 Martindell Avenue |
| 5:30 p.m. | Council Member Jesse Moreno District 2 | In Person | * | KB Polk Recreation Center 6801 Roper Street |
| 6:00 p.m. | Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Carolyn King Arnold District 4 | Virtual | | Find details on how to join by scanning QR code or visiting bit.ly/dallasbudgettownhall |
| 6:00 p.m. | Mayor Pro Tem Tennell Atkins District 8 | In Person | * | Singing Hills Recreation Center 6805 Patrol Way |
| 6:00 p.m. | Council Member Paula Blackmon District 9 | In Person | | Ridgewood Recreation Center 6818 Fisher Road |
| 6:00 p.m. | Council Member Jaynie Schultz District 11 | In Person | | Prism Center 5580 Peterson Lane Suite 160 |
| 6:00 p.m. | Council Member Paul E. Ridley District 14 | Virtual | | Find details on how to join by scanning QR code or visiting bit.ly/dallasbudgettownhall |
| Thursday, March 28 | | | | |
| 6:00 p.m. | Council Member Jesse Moreno District 2 | In Person | * | Harry Stone Recreation Center 2403 Millmar Drive |
| 6:00 p.m. | Mayor Pro Tem Tennell Atkins District 8 | In Person | * | Polk Wisdom Library 7151 Library Lane |
| 6:30 p.m. | Council Member Zarin Gracey District 3 | Virtual | * | Find details on how to join by scanning QR code or visiting bit.ly/dallasbudgettownhall |
| 7:00 p.m. | Council Member Cara Mendelsohn District 12 | Virtual | | Find details on how to join by scanning QR code or visiting bit.ly/dallasbudgettownhall |

¡QUEREMOS CONOCER SU OPINIÓN SOBRE EL PRESUPUESTO DE LA CIUDAD!



Acompáñenos en una de las próximas reuniones.
Invitamos a todos los residentes de Dallas a dar su
opinión sobre cómo se invertirá el dinero recaudado por impuestos en el año **fiscal 2024-25.**



Calendario de Reuniones sobre el Presupuesto

Los residentes pueden participar de forma **virtual o en persona**.

| | Calendario de Reur | liones sobre el Pr | esu | puesto |
|---------------------|--|--------------------|-----|--|
| FECHA/HORA | ORGANIZADO POR | TIPO DE REUNIÓN | | LUGAR |
| Lunes, 25 de marzo | | | | |
| 6:00 p.m. | Concejal Jesse Moreno Distrito 2 | Virtual | * | Para información sobre cómo participar escanee el código QR o visite bit.ly/dallasbudgettownhall |
| 6:00 p.m. | Concejal Adam Bazaldua Distrito 7 | En persona | ^ | Skyline Branch Library 6006 Everglade Road |
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| Jueves, 28 de marzo | | | | |
| 6:00 p.m. | Concejal Jesse Moreno Distrito 2 | En persona | * | Harry Stone Recreation Center 2403 Millmar Drive |
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DATE March 8, 2024

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

Dallas Online Reporting System (DORS) Expansion to address Minor-Hit and Run Collisions

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform the City Council of some additional changes the Dallas Police Department (DPD) will make to enhance their service to residents.

As part of the DPD's continued efforts to improve operational efficiency and increase patrol officer availability for higher-priority calls, minor hit-and-run collisions with no injuries have been identified as incidents that will be added to the Dallas Online Reporting System (DORS). Adding this incident type to the online reporting process will allow DPD to reallocate up to 15,000 patrol hours per year to higher-priority calls.

This information was provided to the Public Safety Committee on March 5, 2024, and these new changes went into effect on March 6, 2024.

Should you have questions, or need additional information, please contact 911 Communications Administrator Robert Uribe at robert.uribe@dallaspolice.gov.

Jon Fortune

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Overview of the Dallas Online
Report System (DORS)
Expansion to Address Minor-Hit
and-Run Collisions

Public Safety Committee March 5, 2024

Administrator Robert Uribe
Dallas Police Department
City of Dallas

Overview



- Purpose
- Online Eligible Hit and Runs
- Agencies Offering Online Hit and Run Reporting
- Efficiencies Gained
- Online and Phone Reporting Update
- Next Steps



Purpose



 Provide the Public Safety Committee and the residents of Dallas information on the expansion of the Dallas Online Reporting System (DORS), in line with the 2020 KPMG study recommendations, to include minor hit-and-run collisions beginning March 2024.



Online Eligible Hit and Runs



- No injuries
- A wrecker is not needed
- Occurred within the city limits of Dallas
- Involving damage to an occupied vehicle
- Involving an unattended vehicle
- Involving striking a structure, fixture, or highway landscaping



Agencies Currently Offering Online Reports for Hit-and-Runs



- Austin Police Department
- Fort Worth Police Department
- Richardson Police Department
- Plano Police Department
- Los Angeles Police Department
- Oakland Police Department
- Various departments around Texas and the nation



Efficiencies Gained



- Citizens will be able to begin the report immediately rather than wait for an officer to arrive.
- Same investigative process.
- Patrol officers may be able to reallocate up to 15,000 hours towards higher priority calls.



Online/Phone/Virtual Reporting Effort Update



• Since the required online/reporting/virtual initiative began in July 2023, 46,553 patrol hours have been reallocated to higher-priority calls.

| July 2023 - February 2024 | Reports Written | Increase From Previous Year |
|---------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| Phone Reports | 13,260 | 16.89% |
| Online Reports | 15,469 | 67.23% |

| Virtual Report Eligible Auto Theft Reports | Number of Incidents Diverted |
|--|------------------------------|
| December 18, 2023 - February 2024 | 2,306 |



Next Steps



- Community Awareness
 - Continued social media releases
 - Neighborhood Police Officers (NPO) outreach
 - Press release
- 911 staff training underway
- Launch the initiative March 5, 2024





Overview of the Dallas Online
Report System (DORS)
Expansion to Address Minor-Hit
and-Run Collisions

Public Safety Committee March 4, 2024

> Administrator Robert Uribe Dallas Police Department City of Dallas



DATE March 8, 2024

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT Public Safety Dashboards - February 2024

Due to the timing of March's Public Safety Committee meeting date and the closing of February data was not available to complete the dashboards in time for posting. Attached you will find a copy of the February Public Safety Dashboards for your awareness and review.

Should you have any questions or concerns please contact me at (214) 670-5299.

Jon Fortune

Deputy City Manager

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Dallas Police Department Dashboard February 2024 FY23-24 BUDGET CRIME REPORTING* February Top 10 OT Activity Codes (By Hrs.)* **Total Budget Total Arrests Sworn Overtime** Year to Date Crime (NIBRS) January 1, 2024 - February 29, 2024 60.000 3,000 Sum total of all Feb Hrs. = 43,970 11,494 50,000 FY23-24' Feb Budget Target ≈ Hrs = 38,984 \$656.9 4,191 3,640 3,554 3,411 2,411 2,360 1,907 1,630 DIFF Change Offense 2023 Rate \$42.5 2,000 40.000 Assault Offenses 4,167 -9.3% \$500 1,500 Agg Assault FV 234 275 -14.9% 30,000 Simple Assault FV 1,566 1,640 -4.5% -23.4% 20.000 7,729 -10.3% 10,000 man Trafficking 0.0% et ette the trad na Maich Rail May ine in Mare the Kidnapping / Abduction 105.3% The state of the s Sub-Total 3,925 61.8% 4,392 ■ Net Reimburse & Revenue ■Total Budget ■ 2023 Arrests ■ 2024 Arrests Burglary / Breaking & Entering **■ EOY Estimate ■ EOY Estimate** 965 1,003 -3.8% 8.2% -35.4% 12.9% **SWORN STAFFING AND HIRING FISCAL YEAR****** PATROL PERFORMANCE CALENDAR YEAR TO DATE 8.9% Destruction / Vandalism 1,354 1,525 11.29 mbezzlement 17.7% FY 23-24 YTD FY 22-23 YTD Function **Crime Change by Division** Response time FY 21-22 xtortion / Blackmail CBD 80 **MTD Total** Person **Property YTD Total** Priority 1 **Priority 2** 329 375 62.3% raud 12.39 Larceny / Theft 3,601 4.460 4.8% Central 167 168 180 1.13% -1.23% -2.06% -0.64% 6.94 32.86 Motor Vehicle Theft 2,627 2,245 6.4% 272 274 311 22.2% -14.94% -9.42% 9.59 obberv 347 328 -1.02% -5.38% 95.42 5.8% Stolen Property Offenses 130 143 114.6% 254 256 279 -11.68% -4.98% 0.48% -3.45% 10.88 109.04 Sub-Total 9,423 10,201 10.4% 22.2% SW 238 241 265 -19.51% 2.55% -13.16% -6.24% 11.11 63.12 Drug / Narcotics 1,732 61.7% 1.623 ٧W 229 228 236 -3.87% -16.51% -18.90% -12.80% 8.28 39.54 12.5% nography / Obscene Mater 193 47.93 175.0% 189 214 -0.74% -22.07% -24.13% 9.59 -16.97% 81.8% 247 238 264 -15.10% -14.23% -7.66% -7.55% 10.99 78.96 353 391 69 1% Weapon Law Violations 9 10 CBD crime and response time data included in Central Nuisance Abatement 62.9% Sub-Total 2.167 2.122 102 92 15.515 16.715 Community Affairs (NPO) 109 **INTERNAL AFFAIRS******** Right Care 22 23 18 1,822 1,948 **COMMUNICATIONS** 1,818 **Complaint Type Patrol Total** 2024 YTD 2023 YTD % Change 126 119 118 911 Call Center Information nvestigations Completed 53 36 47.2% Support Administrative 184 182 136 Use of Force Complaints Received 18 -61.1% 911 Calls MTD Feb Avg Answer **Feb Service Level** Investigations Over 200 Days ******* 498 500 462 92.23% **Investigations** 135,117 4 Seconds **Tactical and Special Ops** 272 275 256 911 Operator Staffing Active Investigations 43 Awaiting Chief of Police Hearing 6 135 164 164 Trainees nvestigation suspended 9 Awaiting Bureau Chief Hearing Trainee Operator Actual Authorized 3.037 3.058 3.084 **Awaiting Corrective Action** 18 82 96 103 Total 130 FY 23-24 Hiring and Attrition **FY23-24 Hiring Goal : 250** Top 911 Calls **February Reports** Calls YTD February-2024 February-2023 **Expeditor Reports DORS Reports** 300 90 Major Disturbance 15,519 7,797 8,128 2,142 821 250 80 250 7,974 4,091 3,910 ther Incidents 70 **Dispatched Calls and Response Time** 60 200 Other Escalated 9,252 4,626 4,645 50 Priority 2 3,860 2,014 1,960 ispicious Person 40 150 Response Dispatched Date 3.556 1.819 1.826 911 Calls Minor Accident 100 3,069 1,321 1,287 Business Alarm 60 3,008 1,583 1,460 Feb-24 61.68 191.47 224.39 10,669 Major Accident 50 2,591 1,459 1,414 oud Music YTD 2024 9.75 68.10 195.11 218.20 76.595 211 287 Burg Motor Veh 101 0 10,794 Feb-23 10.13 86.93 575.28 581.11 1,971 1,045 1,038 Crisis Intervention Goal **Hired YTD** YTD 2023 500.57 528.52 9.78 80.52 84,335 616 308 461 911 Hang-up

Notes:

*DPD recently refined its >180 OT activity codes. New overtime activity codes further improve internal management opportunities as well as improve clarity/transparency to City Council. Results of these changes are now reflected in this report. Reimbursement hours are taken out.

**YE estimate based on FY23's YTD expenditure trends.

*** Reimbursement and Revenue for DPD

****Staffing shown is end of fiscal year actuals, Right Care officers and NPO tracked separately starting FY 20-21.

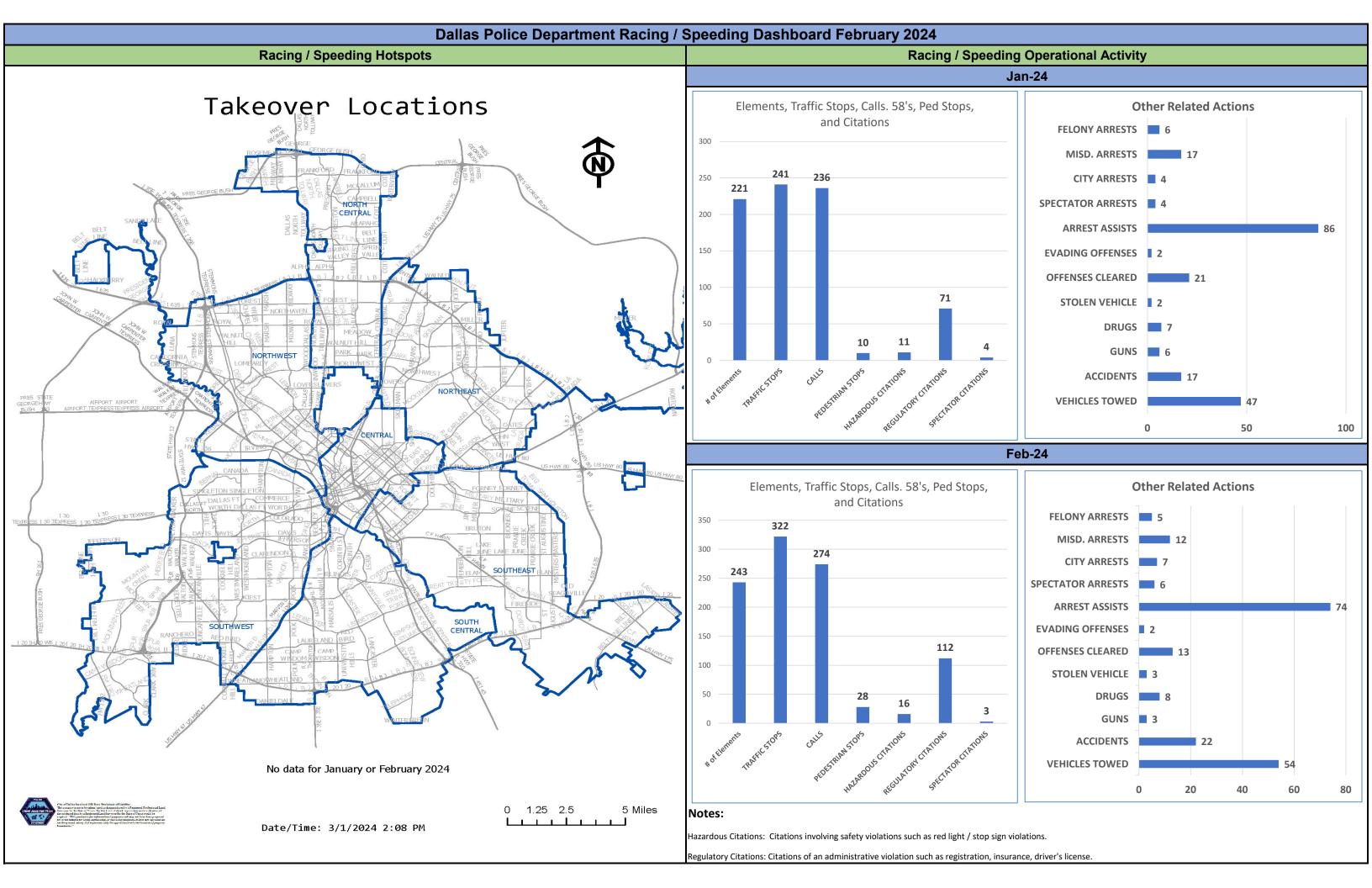
Support: Youth Outreach, Communications, Staff Review, Academy, Auto Pound, Detention Services, Crime Analysis, Property Recovery.

*****Other Incident Calls - used when a call is received but does not fit into any other category of signals. Ex. harassing phone calls, criminal trespass, death notifications

******Other Escalated Calls - used when a call is received but does not fit into any other category of signals and is a priority in nature. Ex. person walking on the shoulder of freeway, suspicious activity that could lead to an offense.

****** Crime reporting now includes NIBRS data. Data is preliminary.

******* Investigations suspended: Awaiting criminal investigation. Awaiting Corrective Action: Cases not involving



9-1-1 Communications Dashboard (February) 2024







YTD Level Jan 1 – Feb 29, 2024

93.34%





February 2024 Total 9-1-1 Calls

135,117





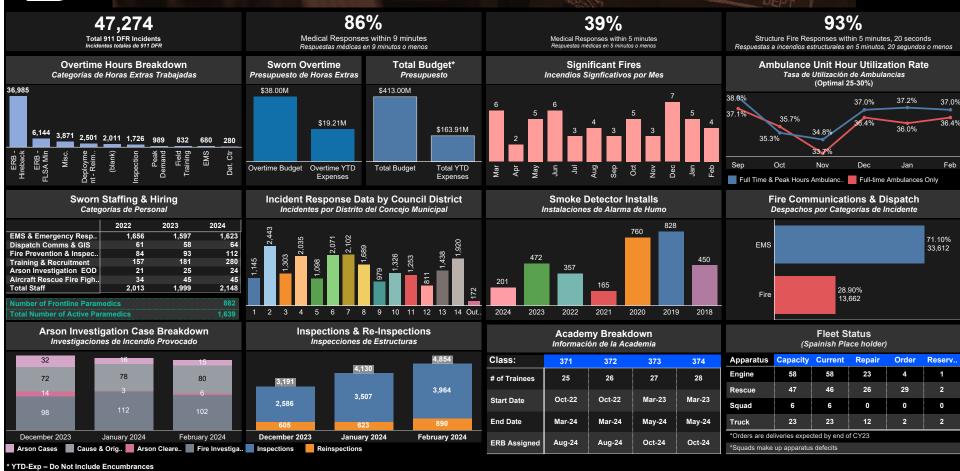
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|-------------------|--------------------------|--------|--------|--|--|
| Month | FY'24 | FY'23 | FY'22 | | |
| October | 94.70% | 98.40% | 88.83% | | |
| November | 95.10% | 98.58% | 94.57% | | |
| December | 92.21% | 97.84% | 97.60% | | |
| January | 94.39% | 98.25% | 98.07% | | |
| February | 92.23% | 98.25% | 99.01% | | |
| March | | 97.05% | 98.16% | | |
| April | | 94.23% | 97.87% | | |
| May | | 75.04% | 97.82% | | |
| June | | 91.12% | 97.48% | | |
| July | | 93.10% | 94.39% | | |
| August | | 95.96% | 96.92% | | |
| September | | 92.16% | 98.26% | | |
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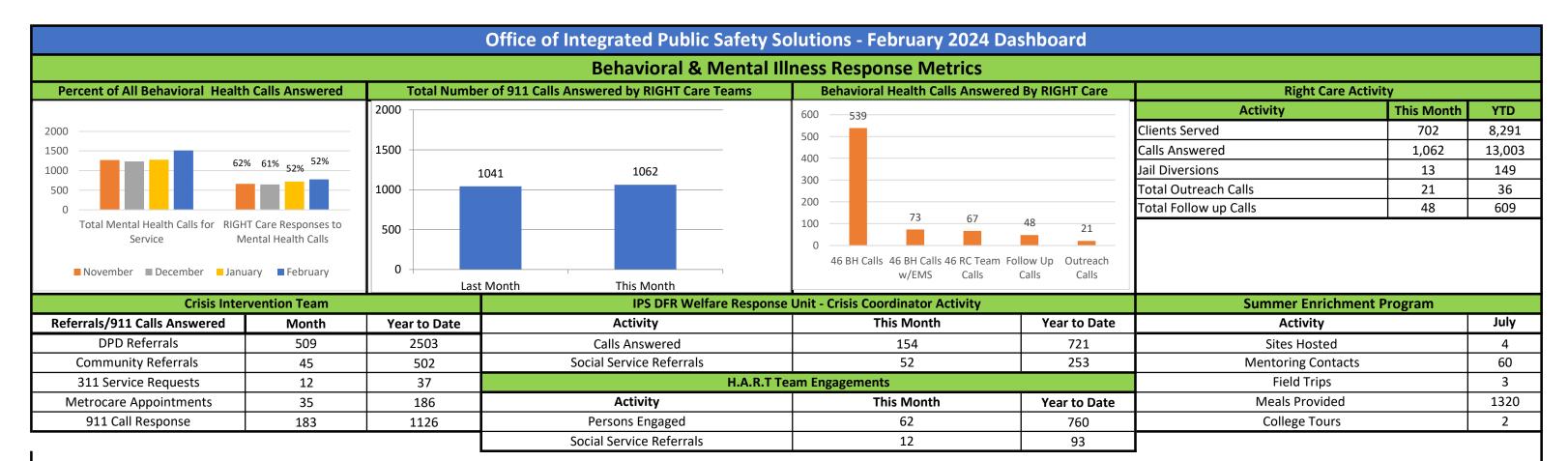
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|-----------|---------|-----------------------|---------|--|--|--|
| Month | FY' 24 | FY' 23 | FY' 22 | | | |
| October | 153,609 | 152,305 | 169,217 | | | |
| November | 138,000 | 139,556 | 146,055 | | | |
| December | 145,062 | 153,187 | 155,427 | | | |
| January | 140,401 | 146,772 | 142,329 | | | |
| February | 135,117 | 137,468 | 126,752 | | | |
| March | | 162,022 | 149,460 | | | |
| April | | 162,761 | 154,103 | | | |
| May | | 195,513 | 162,569 | | | |
| June | | 183,954 | 154,464 | | | |
| July | | 174,320 | 167,423 | | | |
| August | | 159,472 | 156,616 | | | |
| September | | 154,748 | 152,545 | | | |

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DFR Executive Summary for Month Ending: February 2024





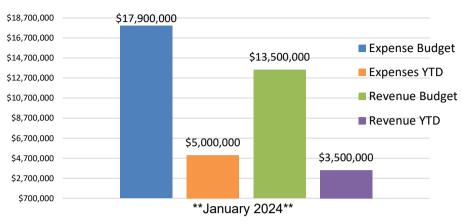
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| | 74 | | Total LED Streetlights | 140 | 154 | 10.0% | | Violent Crime Victims | 1,040 | 841 | -19.1% |
| Streetlight Enhancement Requests | 9 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Violations Reported | 87 | | Total Streetlights | 241 | 241 | 0.0% | | Night Time Violent Crime Victims | 477 | 412 | -13.6% |
| 120-Day Violation Compliance | 29 | | | | | | | E-E-E-E-E-E-E-E-E-E-E-E-E-E-E-E-E-E-E- | | | |
| Community Engagement 2 | 252 | | Percent of Streetlights that | 58.1% | 63.9% | 10.0% | | Night Time Violent | 45.9% | 49.0% | 6.8% |
| Coordination Services Provided 4 | 119 | | are LED | | | | | Crime Rate | | | |

| GOAL | YTD | Last YTD | % Change |
|--|------|----------|----------|
| Reduce incidents of gun violence in high-risk areas by 5% | 84 | 97 | -15% |
| Increase number of social services provided by Violence Intervention programs by 10% | 784 | 1129 | 120% |
| Decrease rate of night crimes in lighted areas by 10% | 2430 | 2350 | -30% |
| Increase Social Service Referrals by 10% | 6038 | 1071 | 563% |
| | | | • |

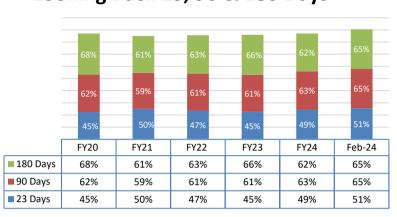
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| | Increase RIGHT | Care response rate | to behavioral health calls b | y 5% |
| | Calls Answered | <u>Behavioral</u> | Health Calls Answered | Rate of Calls Answered |
| | 2874 | 1475 | | 51% |
| | Expand the Number of | ies Initiative | | |
| | <u>Current</u> | | <u>Upcoming</u> | <u>Goal</u> |
| | 28 | | 7 | 6 Simultaneous |
| | Decrease PD Calls for Service | and Criminal Offens | ses at Public Safety Nuisance | Properties by 10% |
| | YTD Calls for Service | YTD Offenses | | |
| | -14% | -54% | | |

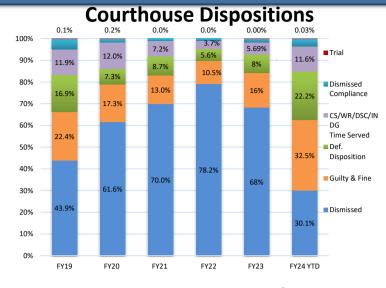
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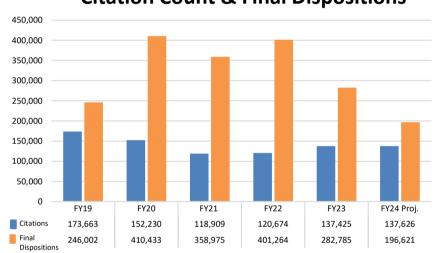


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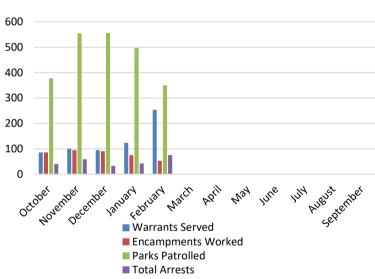




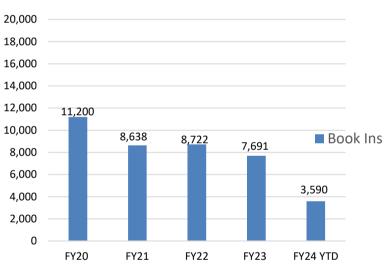
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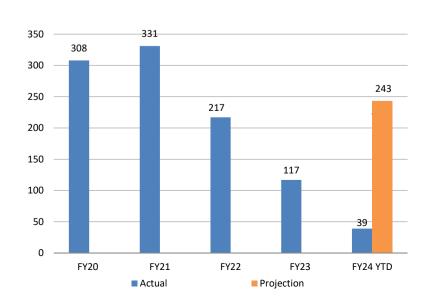
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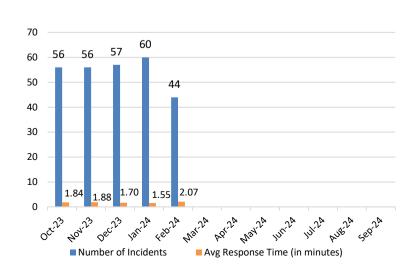
City Detention Center Book-Ins



Environmental Cases Filed



Security Incidents and Response Time



Sobering Center Performance



| Date | Admissions | Admissions Interviewed | Interviewed Homeless | Total Interviewed | Homeless Percentage | Provided Services | Percentage | Repeat Offenders | |
|----------|------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|------------|---------------------|---|
| Feb-24 | 90 | 89 | 19 | 98.89% | 21.35% | 8 | 8.99% | 4 | |
| FY24 YTD | 482 | 463 | 131 | 96.1% | 28.3% | 63 | 13.6% | 13 | ī |

Memorandum



DATE March 08, 2024

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

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In this week's issue of Taking Care of Business are the following topics:

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NEW INFORMATION

"Leaps & Bounds" Educational Event

In an innovative collaboration, the Dallas Airport System (DAS) and the Dallas Independent School District (DISD) presented the first-ever "Leaps & Bounds" all-day educational event on February 28, 2024. This workforce development initiative aimed to inspire approximately 250 middle and high school students by displaying firsthand the valuable opportunities combining aviation and technology.

Headlining the event was Captain Barrington Irving, a living legend in aviation and a two-time Guinness World Records holder. As the youngest and first Black pilot to complete a solo flight around the world, Captain Irving shared his extraordinary journey and insights with students, DISD administrators, and DAS staff as the keynote speaker. The event addressed a common question among students: "When will I ever use what I learned in school in real life?" Attendees had a chance to engage with Captain Irving through a Q&A

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and received giveaways geared to motivate the students, including an autographed copy of his autobiography book "Touch the Sky."

Should you have any questions, please contact Patrick Carreno, Director of Aviation, at

patrick.carreno@dallas.gov or 214-670-6149.



Dallas Nighttime Economy Survey

The spending at restaurants, bars, clubs, and other nightlife and entertainment establishments contribute significantly to job creation and generate tax dollars in economic activity for our local community. Tourism Economics is currently conducting a study to define the nightlife economic activity in Dallas. The <u>City of Dallas</u>, Visit Dallas, and 24HourDallas are working together to distribute specific surveys to four important groups: <u>General Consumers</u>; <u>Business Owners</u>; <u>Employees</u> and <u>Artists and Entertainers</u>.

Please help collect information by taking and sharing these surveys through Friday, March 15. All survey data will be handled with strict confidentiality. Results will be shared at the Responsible Hospitality Institute Sociable City Summit at The Adolphus in April. Should you have questions, please contact Nathan Armstrong, Nighttime Economy and Responsible Hospitality Manager for Convention and Event Services, at nathan.armstrong@dallas.gov.

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Development Services Self-Certification Program

Development Services is pleased to announce the Self-Certification Provider (SCP) Program has been implemented. Property owners and design professionals now have the option to fast-track qualifying projects through the plan review process by certifying their own projects are in compliance with local building codes and regulations, thereby reducing plan review timelines and maintaining high safety standards.

Information regarding the qualifications required to become an SCP may be found by reviewing <u>Service First Bulletin #103</u> on the Development Services website. Additional information, including the <u>Program Registration Packet</u>, may be found on the <u>Self-Certification webpage</u>. Should you have any questions, please contact Andrew Espinoza, CBO, MCP, CFM, CCEA, Chief Building Official/Director of Development Services, at <u>buildingofficial@dallas.gov</u>.

IDC Smart Cities 2024 Award!

The City is recognized for its efforts in Civic Engagement. This is a huge nod to our mission to create accessible, transparent, and innovative online resources. Please <u>Vote for the City of Dallas</u> by March 8, 5:00 pm EST. Winners will be announced on March 27 in an awards ceremony on May 9 in Raleigh, NC.

Should you have any questions, please contact Dr. Bria Andercheck, Chief Data Officer, Data Analytics and Business Intelligence, brita.andercheck@dallas.gov.

Dallas Financial Empowerment Center - Consumer Protection Week

This week is National Consumer Protection Week. Across the nation, consumer advocacy organizations, local, state and federal government agencies are coordinating their efforts to raise awareness on the many ways residents can stay vigilant to spot, avoid and report common scams and to help understand their consumer rights. The Office of Community Care Dallas Financial Empowerment Center has joined forces with the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) to host events and share information related to financial protections, specifically targeting older adults and recent refugees and immigrants. On Tuesday, the team held an event at the West Dallas Multipurpose Center, focused on providing important information on consumer protections for older adults.

On March 7th, The Financial Empowerment Center and FTC will be cohosting an event at Northwest Community Center focusing on recent refugees, immigrants and asylum centers. This event will have translation services with the assistance of the Language Access team and International Rescue Committee. Translations will be provided in Dari, Arabic, Spanish and Swahili. No registration is required to attend.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Jessica Galleshaw, Director for the Office of Community Care, at Jessica.galleshaw@dallas.gov

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North Texas Community Cleanup Challenge

Keep Dallas Beautiful and the Department of Code Compliance has kicked off the North Texas Community Cleanup Challenge! From March 1st to May 31st, let's work together to make Dallas the cleanest city in North Texas! How can you help?

- Organize a cleanup event in your neighborhood, park, or any public space.
- Join an existing cleanup event find them on the Keep Dallas Beautiful website or app.
- Pick up litter while you're out and about every little bit counts!

Every piece of trash you pick up makes a difference for our environment, our community, and our city's pride! Should you have any questions, please contact, Kevin Mondy, Manager for Code Compliance, at kevin.mondy@dallas.gov.



Code Compliance Community Clean Trash-Off Event

On March 9, Code Compliance will host a Community Clean Trash-off event. Staff will be onsite at the West Dallas Community Center (2828 Fish Trap Road Dallas, Texas 75212) from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. We will be discarding bulk trash, hazardous waste, tires, and safely shredding documents for free. Join us as we continue to help make Dallas a cleaner city. Should you have any questions, please contact, Kevin Mondy, Manager for Code Compliance, at kevin.mondy@dallas.gov.

Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) Wind- Down FAQ's

The City has prepared a FAQ flyer in response to the impending wind-down of the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) in both English and Spanish. These flyers contain information from the FCC aimed at educating residents about the implications of the ACP wind-down and crucial details regarding their consumer protections. Departments are encouraged to share the flyers with their networks and disseminate them among Dallas residents. For more information on our digital inclusion efforts, visit: bit.ly/dallasdigitaldivide or get in touch with Estefania Ramirez, Digital Equity Coordinator, at estefania.ramirez@dallas.gov.

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WEEKLY UPDATES

Convention and Event Services Weekly Event Report

Each week, Convention and Event Services will provide a report featuring two weeks of upcoming events that are either coordinated with the Office of Special Events or hosted at the Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center Dallas. The report highlights the dates, location, and Council District for each event, and is attached for your convenience. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Rosa Fleming, Director of Convention and Event Services at rosa.fleming@dallas.gov.

Office of Procurement Services New Opportunities

The Office of Procurement Services (OPS) is excited to announce the following new contract opportunities. More information can be found on the City's electronic bid portal:

| Opportunity No. | Opportunity Name |
|--------------------|--|
| CIZ24-BCM- 3073 | Architectural & Professional Consulting Services for the Dallas Police Training Academy (DPTA) |
| CIZ24-TRN-3071 | Traffic Signal Design Professional Engineering Services |
| BF24-00024086 | Non-Emergency Wrecker Services |
| BF24-00024272 | Vehicle and Equipment Rental |
| BIZ24-00024228 | Economic Analysis, Forecasting, and Research Services |
| BIZ24-00024286 | Drug and Alcohol Testing and Medical Services |

We are also pleased to share the latest, <u>Procurement Quarterly</u> listing citywide opportunities for the current quarter (of the fiscal year) and published on the OPS <u>website</u>. The City of Dallas Office of Procurement Services will host in-person and virtual meetings to engage business and non-profit vendors with technical assistance regarding "Doing Business with the City of Dallas". For more information about the City of Dallas Office of Procurement Services or to schedule an appointment, please contact Angela Akins, at Angela.akins@dallas.gov or call 972.243.2127

Please be advised that once an opportunity is advertised, it is considered an open procurement until the City Council awards the contract. The Code of Ethics prohibits communication between councilmembers and vendors/suppliers on open procurements. Should you have any questions, please contact Danielle Thompson, Director of Procurement Services at Danielle.thompson@dallas.gov.

Office of Homeless Solutions Updates

R.E.A.L. Time Rehousing

The R.E.A.L. Time Rehousing (RTR) team of homeless service providers, co-led by the Office of Homeless Solutions (OHS) and Housing Forward has successfully rehoused

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<u>2,700 (and counting) unique individuals as of October 17, 2023</u>. The City and its partners now have a new goal of housing 6,000 unique individuals by 2025 across the expanse of the metroplex.

OHS Street Outreach Update

Outreach is currently targeting several encampments, which will result in closure through the housing of those unsheltered individuals throughout the year via RTR. The team will outreach to these sites and meet with various persons experiencing homelessness to assess their needs in preparation for site closure via housing. During this time, the OHS Street Outreach Team will continue to engage with unsheltered residents through normal street outreach, connecting people with the needed resources, such as: getting IDs, working with Community Courts on expunging eligible tickets and offenses from their records, identifying medical needs, and getting them access to the Coordinated Access System (CAS). The RTR Community Dashboard is live and may be found here.

Please see the attached schedule for homeless encampment cleaning the week of March 4 through March 8, 2024. Please note that these will be for debris removal and outreach only. All encampment cleaning requests are being resolved as time and weather allows and are subject to modification in response to special requests by City leadership.

Give Responsibly Campaign Outreach Update

The Office of Homeless Solutions and Code Compliance work together to promote the Give Responsibly Campaign (GRC). This initiative aims to prevent street charity and illegal solicitation in the community through education and engagement. While providing alternative solutions for our residents experiencing homelessness.

The Office of Homeless Solutions Community Liaison and Code Compliance Neighborhood Code Representatives are partnering to visit businesses in hot spots across all districts. This joint effort aims to address issues related to homelessness and the adverse effects street charity and illegal solicitation have on the community. It will provide education on sustainably supporting those in need while ensuring a safer and more comfortable environment for businesses and their patrons. For more information on the GRC, to request GRC materials, or to request event/meeting presence, please reach out to the OHS Community Liaison, Marci Jackson, at Marci.Jackson@dallas.gov.

H.A.R.T/eam Update

The Homeless Action Response Team (H.A.R.T/eam) is led by the Office of Homeless Solutions (OHS) and encompasses four teams comprised of a core team of the following: Crisis Intervention Team (CIT), Dallas Animal Services (DAS), Dallas Marshals, and Code Compliance (Code). This team is supplemented by Parks and Recreation, Dallas Fire & Rescue, and Public Works as needed. The purpose of H.A.R.T/eam. is to provide a quick response to immediate safety concerns around homeless encampments and hot spots. To report a critical issue regarding an encampment or panhandling, please submit a service request to 311 or the OurDallas smartphone app. For any questions or concems

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please reach out to the H.A.R.T. Supervisor, Anthony Virgil, at Anthony.Virgil@dallas.gov.

The teams are assigned and respond to time-sensitive, critical issues received via 311 and via email which are defined as:

- Issues raised by City Leadership and members of City Council requests
- Issues presenting an immediate safety concern (the presence of firearms, uncontrolled fires, reports of threatening behavior)
- Any issues which would derail the normal street outreach service resolution process
- Panhandling

Please see the attached the H.A.R.T/eams performance measures for the week of February 26 through March 2, 2024. The H.A.R.T/eams encampment resolution is scheduled on a rolling basis to address Mayor and City Council-identified (MCC) emergencies, 311-identfied hotspots, and continuous engagement of unsheltered individuals. OHS staff will also send individual H.A.R.T. encampment resolution reports bi-weekly to applicable Districts for a more comprehensive report out on the data outside of the TCB.

OHS continues to urge people who see an encampment to report it via 311 or 311's OurDallas smartphone app to ensure strategic alignment with comprehensive OHS outreach. The OHS Service Request dashboard can be utilized to track the progress of encampment resolution efforts. Please visit the <u>dashboard</u> and feel free to share this tool with residents. If you have any questions please reach out to Christine Crossley, Director of the Office of Homeless Solutions, at <u>Christine.Crossley@dallas.gov</u>.

Media Inquiries

As of March 5, 2024, the Communications, Outreach, and Marketing (COM) Department has received various media inquiries available to view here.

Should you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Brown, Assistant Director (I), of Communications, Outreach and Marketing, at Jennifer.Brown@dallas.gov.

Dallas Fire-Rescue Media Inquiries

The following storylines reference the major media inquiries addressed by Dallas Fire-Rescue (DFR) during the period dating from February 27th – March 4th. A more detailed account of the department's responses to those inquiries, and others, can be viewed at this link. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Fire Chief, Dominique Artis, at dominique.artis@dallasfire.gov.

- Kitchen Fire Closes Beloved BBQ Restaurant
- DFR Deploys Resources to Assist with Pandhandle Wildfires

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Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Genesis D. Gavino, Chief of Staff.

c: Tammy Palomino, Interim City Attorney Mark Swann, City Auditor Bilierae Johnson, City Secretary Preston Robinson, Administrative Judge Kimberly Bizor Tolbert, Deputy City Manager

Jon Fortune, Deputy City Manager

Majed A. Al-Ghafry, Assistant City Manager M. Elizabeth (Liz)Cedillo-Pereira, Assistant City Manager Dr. Robert Perez, Assistant City Manager Jack Ireland, Chief Financial Officer Genesis D. Gavino, Chief of Staff to the City Manager Directors and Assistant Directors





How to Spot, Avoid and Report Scams

Learn more about the warning signs of a scam and how to report them.

- Focused on the immigrant and refugee community in Dallas; there will be live Spanish, Dari and Arabic interpretation
- Refreshments and light snacks will be provided

March 7, 2024 | 6 to 7 p.m.

Northwest Community Center

5750 Pineland Dr.

Dallas TX 75231

Hosted by







Your internet bill might increase by \$30 this May.

Congress may soon end the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP).

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

- ACP applications and enrollments are no longer being processed as of February 8, 2024.
- Households who have applied, been approved and are receiving the monthly internet discount before February 8, 2024 will continue to receive their ACP benefit until ACP funds run out, as long as the household remains enrolled in the program.
- After the ACP funds run out (projected in April 2024), households participating in the ACP will no longer receive the ACP discounts.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR YOU?

Be prepared for your internet bill to increase. You have the following options to soften the impact:

- Take no action and keep your existing internet service, but prepare to pay \$30 more each month.
- Call your internet service provider to ask for a cheaper plan. Some offer special "low-cost" plans for people who are eligible for the ACP.
- Remember that you have the right to change or cancel your ACP-discounted internet service plan with no penalty.

Enroll in the federal Lifeline program if you are not already participating.





HOW MUCH LONGER WILL MY ACP BENEFIT LAST?

Your ACP discount will continue through April. Starting in May, you will see a bill increase.

WHO WILL CONTACT ME?

Your provider will send three notifications: the first should have arrived by Jan. 25. 2024: the second follows the FCC's announcement of the final ACP month by 14 days, and the third coincides with the last billing cycle applying the full ACP benefit before the program ends.

The notifications will tell you:

- How your bill will change without the ACP discount.
- The date of the last bill that will include the ACP discount.
- How you may change plans, transfer to a different provider or cancel your service without penalty when the ACP ends.

FOR ASSISTANCE AND MORE INFORMATION:

To file a complaint, call: 888-CALL-FCC (888-225-5322)

Feel free to contact the Dallas County Connects Hotline at 469-946-9491 for any questions or concerns related to the ACP Wind-Down.





Frequently Asked Questions

What are the consumer protection requirements for Internet Service Providers (ISPs) participating in the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) during its wind-down phase?

ISPs must adhere to consumer protection requirements even during the wind-down phase of the ACP. This includes refraining from engaging in unjust and unreasonable acts or practices that would undermine the purpose, intent or integrity of the ACP. These requirements aim to protect consumers from financial harm and ensure that eligible households do not face additional financial burdens.

Will the consumer protection requirements remain applicable after subscribers cease receiving the ACP benefit?

Yes, some consumer protection requirements will continue to apply even after subscribers stop receiving the ACP benefit. This is to ensure that eligible households are not subjected to additional financial burdens and that ISPs fulfill their obligations to consumers.

Can ISPs mitigate financial burdens on consumers after the end of the ACP?

Yes, ISPs can help mitigate additional financial burdens on consumers after the end of the ACP by offering low-cost internet service plans specifically designed for low-income consumers or by transitioning consumers to existing low-cost plans. This aims to support households in maintaining affordable internet access.

What happens if an eligible household fails to pay the charges for ACP- supported service?

Under ACP rules, participating ISPs cannot terminate an eligible household's ACP-supported service due to non-payment until 90 days have passed since the bill payment due date. ISPs are permitted to switch the household to a lower-cost plan if they enter a delinquent status after the due date, with advance notice to the household.

Are early termination fees applicable to eligible households who terminate service plans subject to extended service contracts after the ACP ends?

No, ISPs cannot charge early termination fees to eligible households who terminate service plans subject to extended service contracts even after the ACP ends. This protects households from financial penalties for terminating service contracts early, even if they no longer receive the ACP benefit.

How are ISPs prohibited from engaging in unjust and unreasonable acts or practices related to the ACP?

ISPs are prohibited from engaging in any acts or practices that would undermine the purpose, intent or integrity of the ACP, even after households stop receiving the ACP benefit. This includes false or misleading advertising of the ACP or holding themselves out as ACP participating providers when they are not. Violations can be reported to the FCC.

How can consumers file a complaint regarding provider compliance with ACP rules and wind-down requirements?

Consumers with concerns about provider compliance with ACP rules and wind-down requirements can file a complaint with the Commission by visiting ConsumerComplaints.fcc.gov. Households with questions may contact the ACP Support Center at 877-384-2575 or acpinfo@fcc.gov. Consumers who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing may use the ASL Hotline at 844-432-2275.





Su factura de internet podría aumentar \$30 en el mes de mayo.

El Congreso podría poner fin pronto al Programa de Conectividad Asequible (ACP, por sus siglas en inglés).

LO QUE NECESITA SABER:

- Las solicitudes e inscripciones al ACP ya no se procesarán a partir del 8 de febrero de 2024.
- Los hogares que hayan solicitado, hayan sido aprobados y estén recibiendo el descuento mensual de internet antes del 8 de febrero de 2024 seguirán recibiendo su beneficio del ACP hasta que se agoten los fondos del ACP, siempre y cuando el hogar permanezca inscrito en el programa.
- Luego de que se agoten los fondos del ACP (proyectado para abril de 2024), los hogares que participan en el ACP ya no recibirán los descuentos del ACP.

¿QUÉ SIGNIFICA ESTO PARA USTED?

Prepárese para que su factura de Internet aumente. Tiene las siguientes opciones para aminorar el impacto:

- No realice ninguna acción y mantenga su servicio de internet actual, pero prepárese para pagar \$30 más cada mes.
- Llame a su proveedor de servicios de internet para solicitar un plan más económico. Algunos ofrecen planes especiales de "bajo costo" para personas que cumplen con los requisitos para el ACP.
- Recuerde que tiene derecho a cambiar o cancelar su plan de servicio de internet con descuento del ACP sin penalización alguna.
- Inscríbase en el programa federal Lifeline si aún no participa en él.





¿CUÁNTO MÁS DURARÁ MI **BENEFICIO ACP?**

Su descuento del ACP continuará hasta abril. A partir de mayo, verá un aumento en la factura.

¿QUIÉN ME CONTACTARÁ?

Su proveedor le enviará tres notificaciones: la primera debería haberse recibido antes del 25 de enero de 2024, la segunda llegará 14 días luego de que la FCC anuncie el último mes del ACP y la tercera coincidirá con el último ciclo de facturación en el que se aplique el beneficio completo del ACP antes de que finalice el programa.

Las notificaciones le indicarán:

- Cómo cambiará su factura sin el descuento del ACP.
- La fecha de la última factura que incluirá el descuento del ACP.
- Cómo puede cambiar de plan, cambiarse a otro proveedor o cancelar su servicio sin penalización alguna cuando finalice el ACP.

PARA OBTENER ASISTENCIA Y MÁS INFORMACIÓN:

Para presentar una denuncia, llame al: 888-CALL-FCC (888-225-5322)

No dude en comunicarse con la Línea Directa de Dallas County Connects al 469-946-9491 si tiene alguna pregunta o inquietud relacionada con la Finalización del ACP.





Preguntas frecuentes & ACP Affordable Connectivity Program





¿Cuáles son los requisitos de protección al consumidor para los proveedores de servicio de internet (ISP, por sus siglas en inglés) que participan en el Programa de Conectividad Asequible (ACP, por sus siglas en inglés) durante su fase de finalización?

Los ISP deben cumplir con los requisitos de protección al consumidor incluso durante la fase de finalización del ACP. Esto incluye, abstenerse de participar en actos o prácticas injustas e irrazonables que socaven el propósito, la intención o la integridad del ACP. Estos requisitos tienen como objetivo proteger a los consumidores de daños financieros y garantizar que los hogares que cumplen con los requisitos no enfrenten cargas financieras adicionales.

¿Seguirán aplicando los requisitos de protección al consumidor después de que los suscriptores dejen de recibir el beneficio del ACP?

Sí, algunos requisitos de protección al consumidor continuarán aplicándose incluso después de que los suscriptores dejen de recibir el beneficio del ACP. Esto es para garantizar que los hogares que cumplen con los requisitos no estén sujetos a cargas financieras adicionales y que los ISP cumplan con sus obligaciones con los consumidores.

¿Pueden los ISP mitigar las cargas financieras de los consumidores después del fin del ACP?

Sí, los ISP pueden ayudar a mitigar las cargas financieras adicionales de los consumidores después del final del ACP ofreciendo planes de servicio de internet de bajo costo diseñados específicamente para consumidores de bajos ingresos o cambiar a los consumidores a planes de bajo costo existentes. Su objetivo es ayudar a los hogares a mantener un acceso asequible a internet.

¿Qué sucede si un hogar que cumple con los requisitos no paga los cargos por el servicio respaldado por el ACP?

Según las reglas del ACP, los ISP participantes no pueden cancelar el servicio respaldado por el ACP de un hogar que cumple con los requisitos debido a la falta de pago hasta que hayan pasado 90 días desde la fecha de vencimiento del pago de la factura. A los ISP se les permite cambiar al hogar a un plan de menor costo si entran en un estado de morosidad después de la fecha de vencimiento, con previo aviso al hogar.

¿Se aplican cargos por cancelación anticipada a los hogares que cumplen con los requisitos que cancelan los planes de servicio sujetos a contratos de servicio extendido después de que finalice el ACP?

No, los ISP no pueden cobrar cargos por cancelación anticipada a los hogares que cumplen con los requisitos que cancelen planes de servicio sujetos a contratos de servicio extendido, incluso después de que finalice el ACP. Esto protege a los hogares de sanciones financieras por rescindir anticipadamente los contratos de servicio, incluso si ya no reciben el beneficio del ACP.

¿Cómo se prohíbe a los proveedores de servicio de internet participar en actos o prácticas injustas e irrazonables relacionados con el ACP?

Los ISP tienen prohibido participar en cualquier acto o práctica que socave el propósito, la intención o la integridad del ACP, incluso después de que los hogares dejen de recibir el beneficio del ACP. Esto incluye publicidad falsa o engañosa del ACP o presentarse como proveedores participantes del ACP cuando no lo son. Las violaciones pueden ser reportadas a la FCC.

¿Cómo pueden los consumidores presentar una queja sobre el cumplimiento del proveedor con las reglas del ACP y los requisitos de la finalización?

Los consumidores que tengan inquietudes sobre el cumplimiento de los proveedores con las reglas del ACP y los requisitos de finalización pueden presentar una queja ante la Comisión visitando ConsumerComplaints.fcc.gov. Los hogares que tengan preguntas pueden comunicarse con el Centro de Apoyo del ACP al (877) 384-2575 o enviando un correo electrónico a acpinfo@fcc.gov. Los consumidores con discapacidad auditiva o con problemas de audición pueden usar la línea directa de ASL al (844) 432-2275.



Convention and Event Services Weekly Events Report March 8, 2024

| Event Type | Name | Dates | Location | District |
|-------------------|--|-----------|-----------------------------|----------|
| Special Event | USMS Fallen Heroes Honor Run | 3/8/2024 | 1014 Main St. | 2, 14 |
| Special Event | Better Block - Greening Dallas Initiative | 3/9/2024 | 10600 Black Walnut Dr. | 10 |
| Special Event | Lunar Light: Discovery Ext. #1 & #2 | 3/10/2024 | 5743 Lyndon B. Johnson Fwy. | 11 |
| Special Event | Pleasant Grove Better Block Ext. #11 - #13 | 3/12/2024 | 2019 N. Masters Dr. | 5 |
| Special Event | Free Food Distribution and Health Fair Ext. #1 | 3/15/2024 | 3751 Merrell Rd. | 13 |
| Special Event | St. Patrick's Day - Milo Butterfingers Parade Party | 3/16/2024 | 5645 SMU Blvd. | 9 |
| Special Event | St. Patrick's Day - Block Party | 3/16/2024 | 2900 Greenville Ave. | 14 |
| Special Event | St. Patrick's Day - Dash 5k - Dash Down Greenville | 3/16/2024 | 4925 Greenville Ave. | 9 |
| Special Event | St. Patrick's Day - Dallas Parade & Festival | 3/16/2024 | 5803 E. Northwest Hwy. | 13, 14 |
| Special Event | St. Patrick's Day - Barley House After Parade Party | 3/16/2024 | 5612 SMU Blvd. | 9 |
| Special Event | St. Patrick's Day – Ozona Grill & Bar Parade Day Parking | 3/16/2024 | 4615 Greenville Ave. | 9 |
| Special Event | St. Patrick's Day - Life's Good Bar & Grill Party | 3/16/2024 | 3619 Greenville Ave. | 14 |
| Special Event | St. Patrick's Day - Sundown Parking Lot Picnic | 3/16/2024 | 3520 Greenville Ave. | 14 |
| Special Event | St. Patrick's Day - Truck Yard | 3/16/2024 | 5624 Sears St. | 14 |
| Special Event | St. Patrick's Day - Rusty Taco | 3/16/2024 | 4805 Greenville Ave. | 9 |
| Special Event | St. Patrick's Day - Awshucks Party | 3/16/2024 | 3601 Greenville Ave. | 14 |
| Special Event | Mike Modano Unveiling - Street Closure Only | 3/16/2024 | 3090 Nowitzki Wy. | 2 |
| Special Event | Shamieh Law Grand Opening Party | 3/16/2024 | 2612 Thomas Ave. | 14 |
| Special Event | Deep Ellum Outdoor Market #29 | 3/16/2024 | 100 - 199 N. Crowdus St. | 2 |
| Special Event | Adopt and Shop DFW Ext. #1 | 3/17/2024 | 3111 Throckmorton St. | 14 |
| Special Event | St. Patrick's Day - Dubliner | 3/17/2024 | 2818 Greenville Ave. | 14 |
| Special Event | St. Patrick's Day - Harwood Arms | 3/17/2024 | 2850 N. Harwood St. | 14 |
| Special Event | DIFFA Dallas Patron 2024 | 3/20/2024 | 1601 Main St. | 14 |
| Special Event | TBRU Party Events | 3/21/2024 | 525 S. Riverfront Blvd. | 1 |

KBHCCD Schedule of Events

| KBHCC | 2024 Spring Convention | 3/11/2024 | 650 S. Akard St. | 2 |
|-------|--------------------------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| KBHCC | 2024 International Leadership Summit | 3/21/2024 | 650 S. Akard St. | 2 |
| KBHCC | SGI Spring Meeting | 3/21/2024 | 650 S. Akard St. | 2 |

Encampment Resolution (Cleaning) Schedule March 4 – March 8, 2023

| Location | District |
|---------------------|----------|
| 1100 Pentagon | 4 |
| 100 E Colorado | 1 |
| 1866 Chalk Hill | 6 |
| 4299 Fort Worth Ave | 1 |
| 6368 E NW Highway | 13 |
| 18953 Lina St | 12 |
| 3733 Timberglen | 12 |

H.A.R.T. Outreach and Advocacy February 26 – March 1, 2023

| Performance Measure | Total |
|---|-------|
| Number of Service Request Closed within 10 days | 11 |
| Number of Service Request still open (pending | |
| closure) | 7 |
| Number of MCC's received for the week | 14 |
| Number of Locations Visited | 34 |
| Number of Individuals Engaged | 36 |
| Number of HMIS Entered | 0 |
| Number of Panhandlers Engaged | 6 |

H.A.R.T. Encampment Resolution (Cleaning) Schedule March 4 – March 9, 2023

| Location | District |
|------------------------------------|------------------|
| Locations are scheduled on a rolli | ng basis to |
| address MCC-identified emergencies | , 311-identified |
| hotspots, and continuous engag | ement of |
| unsheltered individuals | _ |