

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE August 12, 2022

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Taking Care of Business – August 11, 2022**

Pop Up Permit Saturday

The Development Services Department will host another Pop-Up Permit Saturday event on August 20, 2022 at the Oak Cliff Municipal Center located at 320 E. Jefferson Blvd. Dallas, TX 75203. The Permit Service Center will be open from 8:00 AM until 2:00 PM to assist City of Dallas residents and stakeholders with over-the-counter permits, residential permit consultations and general permit inquiries. Should you have any questions, please contact Robyn Gerard, Senior Public Information Officer for Development Services, at robyn.gerard@dallas.gov.

Back to School Festivals at MLK & West Dallas Multipurpose Center

The Office of Community Care will host two back to school fairs this weekend in West Dallas and Southern Dallas. On Friday, August 12th from 10am to 1pm, come to the West Dallas Multipurpose Center to receive backpacks, school supplies, and much more. On Saturday August 13th from 9am to 11am, the MLK Jr. Community Center will also feature back to school items for students from Pre-K to twelfth grade, but you must register to attend [here](#). Please see the attached flyers for details. Should you have any questions, please contact Jessica Galleshaw, Director of the Office of Community Care at jessica.galleshaw@dallas.gov.

2022 Best Place for Working Parents Designation

The City of Dallas has received the 2022 Best Place for Working Parents by the Dallas Chamber of Commerce, in recognition of our commitment to supporting working parents through our family-friendly policies and practices, such as Paid Parental Leave and Childcare Subsidy. For your convenience, the certificate of designation from the Chamber of Commerce is attached.

An award badge will be placed on the City's HR website and a communication will go out to all employees within the next week. We are proud to be recognized as one of the Dallas businesses leading the way in family-friendly policies. For more information, contact Nina Arias, Director of Human Resources, at nina.arias@dallas.gov.

Dallas' Chief Data Officer Recognized by National Magazine

Chief Data Officer (CDO) Magazine recognized City of Dallas Chief Data Officer Dr. Brita Andercheck among [State & Local Leading Data Executives 2022](#). *CDO Magazine* recognizes the efforts of data, analytics, and digital leaders in transforming the world for the better. Dr. Andercheck and 40 other executives across the country were recognized with special distinction for their commitment and contribution to implementing data strategies to improve effective governance and growth of their regions. These top local data executives take the lead in pursuing collaborative, data-driven innovations that benefit their constituents. Should you have any questions, please contact Jack Ireland, Chief Financial Officer, at jack.ireland@dallas.gov.

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Dallas Youth Commission Launches New Youth Magazine

This week, The City of Dallas Youth Commission launched the inaugural edition of the Dallas Youth Magazine. The magazine's mission is to elevate the perspectives and voices of Dallas youth and inspires them to become more involved and engaged with their community and local government. New editions of this magazine will be released bi-annually, with our next edition coming out this winter. This issue will be received by over 40,000 high school students during the first two weeks of school. You can learn more about the Dallas Youth Commission's initiative [here](#) as well as register to receive your own copy. Should you have questions, please contact Youth Commission coordinator Taylor Moody, at taylor.moody@dallas.gov.

Summer of Safety Celebration

On Saturday, August 27th, Mayor Johnson is hosting a City of Dallas Summer of Safety Celebration located at the UNT Dallas Campus (7300 University Hills Blvd Dallas, Texas 75241) from 9:00 a.m-1:00p.m. This is a family-friendly community-building event that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. The Summer of Safety Celebration will also educate our youth on police strategies, provide interactive activities, and offer a great opportunity to showcase additional city services. While the emphasis of the event will be centered on safety, several departments will be providing on-site booths/tables with giveaways, department information, and other displays. We are expecting 2,000 people to attend, in addition to the various vendors, on-stage speakers, special guests, high school drumlines, food, musical entertainment, and other family-friendly activities. Flyers in both English and Spanish are attached. Should you have any questions, please contact Victoria Moe, Senior Project Manager in the City Manager's Office at Victoria.moe@dallas.gov.

City of Dallas Employee Health Expo 2022

Please join the City of Dallas and Well-Being First for the Employee Health Expo on August 25 from 9:00am-1:00pm. The goal of the Health Expo is to increase employee engagement through showcasing the availability of internal and external health offerings and resources. There will be several wellness vendors that will offer interactive activities such as chair massages, bodyfat testing, and a destressing demonstration. Please note, there are a few services that require appointments.

You may sign up for the City Blood Care drive at this link prior to the expo: https://ww3.greatpartners.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/133082. The mammogram unit is also requesting employees to schedule appointments by calling 214-645-2560 or 866-277-0710; additional information is attached. Lastly, should you wish to receive a complimentary pain and injury assessment please schedule an appointment at the following link: <https://go.airrosti.com/scheduler/event/G336X5GEBCU>, a flyer with additional information is also attached. For those employees that are not located at City Hall parking will be available in the city hall garage, metered parking, and we are working on convention center parking for employees. In addition, this year we will have a drive-thru option for employees who are mobile and cannot attend in-person.

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Should you have any questions, please contact Carmel Fritz, Assistant Director of Human Resources, at carmel.fritz@dallas.gov.

OHS Street Outreach Update

The DRTRR team of homeless service providers, co-led by OHS and MDHA, is currently targeting several encampments, which will result in closure through the housing of those unsheltered individuals throughout the year. 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 DRTRR Community Dashboard is live and may be found [here](#).

Please see the attached schedule for homeless encampment cleaning the week of August 8 through August 12, 2022. Please note that these will be for debris removal and outreach only. All encampment cleaning requests are being resolved as time allows. We appreciate everyone's patience.

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.

Encampment Resolution (**Cleaning**) Schedule August 8 – August 12, 2022

LOCATION
Canton St & Henry St
1781 Cadiz St
300 Reunion Blvd
1300 Empire Central Dr
1300 Reagan St
4730 Lake Ave
Forest Ln & I 75
Lovers Ln & I 75
Medical District & I 35
7238 Envoy Ct

Please visit the [dashboard](#) 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.

Media Inquiries

As of August 8, 2022, the Communications, Outreach, and Marketing (COM) Department has received various media inquiries available to view [here](#). For more information, please contact Catherine Cuellar, Director of Communications, Outreach, & Marketing.

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The following storylines reference the major media inquiries addressed by Dallas Fire-Rescue (DFR) during the period dating from August 2nd – 8th. 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.

- Grass Fire Ignites Small Shed in Back of North Dallas Home
- Heat Wave Brings Attention to Children Being Left in Hot Vehicles

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



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