

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE June 30, 2023

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Taking Care of Business – June 27, 2023**

Mayor and City Council,

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NEW INFORMATION

FreshStart Employment Program weekly pre-screening

On-site applicant pre-screening to determine eligibility for the FreshStart Employment Program and employment with the City of Dallas is being conducted every Tuesday from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM at the West Dallas Multipurpose Center, 2828 Fish Trap Rd. Dallas, TX 75212. Also, every Wednesday from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Janie C. Turner Recreation Center, 6424 Elam Rd. Dallas, TX 75217.

Should you have any questions, please contact Marcus Stewart, Reentry Workforce Coordinator for the Small Business Center at marcus.stewart@dallas.gov or freshstartemployment@dallas.gov.

July is National Park and Recreation Month



Dallas Park and Recreation is celebrating July is Park and Recreation Month, joining with the National Recreation and Park Association and park and recreation agencies across the nation. This year's theme - *Where Community Grows* – highlights how Dallas Park and Recreation works to provide equitable and inclusive recreational options where families and communities can come together in diverse and meaningful ways. All month, we'll be highlighting our programs, facilities, and staff on DallasParks.org and social media. Find us using DallasParkRec on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and

YouTube. Look for us on Nextdoor! This month, take time to create a new park memory and share it using #DallasParks and #WhereCommunityGrows. Should you have questions, contact Crystal Ross, Deputy Director, Dallas Park and Recreation, crystal.ross@dallas.gov.

Dallas Teens Can Explore Cultural, Recreational Attractions – For Free

For the third year, Dallas Park and Recreation will distribute 10,000 complimentary admissions to Dallas teens as part of the city's Teen All Access Pass program. Starting at 10 a.m. Monday, July 3, passes will be available (while supplies last) at city recreation centers only to residents 13-17. The pass gives a teen and a few companions free entry to some of Dallas' signature museums, nature and botanical gardens, entertainment venues, and leisure facilities in July and August. Pass details, center locations, and a list of venues are at DallasParks.org. Should you have questions, contact Steve Baker, Dallas Park and Recreation, at steven.baker@dallas.gov.

Japanese Officials Celebrate Restoration of Kidd Springs Garden

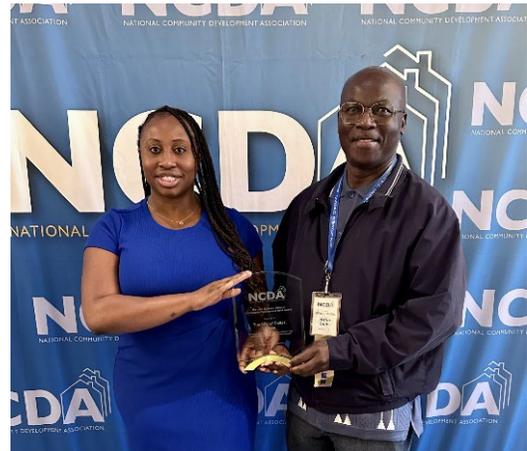
Consul General Hirofumi Murabayashi of Japan in Houston and Dr. Sam Shichijom, honorary consul of Japan in Dallas, were among guests when Dallas Park and Recreation celebrated the restoration and reopening of the Japanese Garden at Kidd Springs Park. The garden – designed in the late 1960s - features essential design elements found in traditional Japanese gardens: stone for the landscape; water to represent life; and plants for color and seasonal changes as well as ancient sculptures

and Japanese treasures. Should you have questions, contact Renee Johnson, Dallas Park and Recreation, at marian.johnson@dallas.gov.



John A. Sasso Award

The City of Dallas was selected as a recipient of the National Community Development Association – 2023 John A. Sasso Award. This award recognizes community engagement and outreach efforts in promoting National Community Development (NCD) week. The NCD Week campaign is designed to focus both local and national attention on the outstanding accomplishments of the Community Development Block Grant and the HOME Investment Partnerships Program Grant. Through the collaborative efforts of the Community Development Commission members, community organizations, non-profit organizations, and City of Dallas staff, activities and events were held during NCD week in April to educate and inform residents about projects that have directly benefited our residents and neighborhoods. The award was accepted by City of Dallas staff - Yaiza Wade and Justus Bolo. Receiving this esteemed accolade is a tremendous source of pride for the City of Dallas and its dedicated team members. Should you have any questions, please contact Janette Weedon, Budget and Management Services Director, at janette.weedon@dallas.gov.



Dallas Public Library Receives \$8,000 From Alpha Kappa Alpha



The Dallas-based Alpha Xi Omega chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority presented Dallas Public Library with an \$8,000 donation in a Flag Room ceremony on June 23. The sorority launched a fundraising campaign in 2023 called “Preserving Our History, one Library at a Time” to raise funds for new African American books at the Polk-Wisdom, Dallas West, Martin Luther King and Forest Green Branches. For more information, contact Assistant Director [Kierstine Nielsen](mailto:kierstine.nielsen@dallas.gov), at

kierstine.nielsen@dallas.gov.

July Is Texas Fibroid Awareness Month

Uterine fibroids are a common health condition that affects up to 80% of women. In collaboration with the Barbara Jordan Leadership Institute, the City of Dallas is joining the Fort Worth, Beaumont, Houston, and Tyler communities in promoting this health education campaign. Throughout July, the City of Dallas will be hosting several events surrounding Texas Uterine Fibroid Awareness Month. **The awareness campaign started June 28, with the *Texas Uterine Fibroid Awareness Month Kick-Off Press Conference* led by Council Member Paula Blackmon.**



For a full list of events, check out the [Employee Experience SharePoint](#).

Should you have any questions, please contact Taylor Moody, at taylor.moody@dallas.gov or Sonya Batts, Sr. HR Manager, at sonya.batts@dallas.gov.

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
CIZ-DWU-23 177	“Dredging At Various Locations, Contract No. 23-177”
CIZ23-PBW-3023	Bradford Drive from Maple Springs Blvd to Hedgerow Drive – PB17V194
CIZ23-PBW-3025	Street Reconstruction Group 17-4008
CIZ23-PBW-3026	Street Reconstruction Thoroughfares Group 17-1107
CIZ23-PBW-3027	Complete Street Reconstruction Project: Casa View Street Improvements
CIZ23-PBW-3028	Joppa Area Street Improvements
BBZ23-00022407	Kitchen and Cafeteria Supplies

We are also pleased to share the latest, [Procurement Quarterly](#) listing citywide opportunities for the current quarter (of the fiscal year) and published on the OPS [website](#). 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.akers@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 Dallas Real Time Rapid Rehousing (D.R.T.R.R.) team of homeless service providers, co-led by the Office of Homeless Solutions (OHS) and Housing Forward is on track to

house over 2,700 unique individuals by 2023. The City and its partners now have a new goal of housing 6,000 unique individuals by 2025 and have rebranded the initiative to reflect the rehousing of those individuals across the expanse of the metroplex to R.E.A.L. Time Rehousing (RTR).

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. 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 June 26 through June 30, 2023. 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, which started May 16, 2023. So far, OHS has visited businesses in Districts 2 and 8 with plans to visit Districts 3,4,6,11, and 12 scheduled for June, July, and August. 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 concerns please reach out to the Outreach Manager, Lisa Rand at Lisa.Rand@dallas.gov, Senior Outreach Supervisor, Barry Dyson at Barry.Dyson@dallas.gov, and H.A.R.T/eam leads April Jamison at April.Jamison@dallas.gov and Jeremy Scott at Jeremy.Scott@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/eam's performance measures for the week of June 19 through June 24, 2023, and the H.A.R.T/eam's encampment resolution schedule for June 26 through July 1, 2023. 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.

Heat Advisory

With a heat advisory in effect, partners within the local Continuum of Care are offering additional services so that our unsheltered neighbors may seek relief from the heat, as well as accepting in-kind donations. For all other donations please see the link provided [here](#). The attached information sheet provides details on what services are being offered by our partners during the heat advisory. Contact information for each organization is listed on the information sheet, all other inquires may be directed to ohsinfo@dallas.gov.

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 [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, at Christine.Crossley@dallas.gov.

Media Inquiries

As of June 27, 2023, the Communications, Outreach, and Marketing (COM) Department has received various media inquiries available to view [here](#). For more information, contact Catherine Cuellar, catherine.cuellar@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 June 20th – 26th. 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.

- DFR Responding to Increased Number of Environmental Emergency Calls During the Extreme Heat

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



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Special Event	Valley View Mall Carnival #1	6/30/2023	13331 Preston Rd.	11
Special Event	KWP Independence Day Celebration – Road Closure	7/1/2023	2012 Woodall Rodgers Fwy.	14
Special Event	The Potter’s House Church Anniversary Event	7/1/2023	6777 W. Kiest Blvd.	3
Special Event	4 th of July – Sparkman Parade	7/4/2023	3366 Duchess Trl.	13
Special Event	4 th of July – Lakewood Parade	7/4/2023	6530 Lakewood Blvd.	9
Special Event	4 th of July – Bent Tree West	7/4/2023	18018 Voss Rd.	12
Special Event	4 th of July - Private Event	7/4/2023	501 Yacht Club Dr.	-
Special Event	4 th of July – Lake Highlands Parade and Carnival	7/4/2023	9344 Church Rd.	10
Special Event	4 th of July – Private Event	7/4/2023	4111 Dallas Athletic Club Dr.	9
Special Event	4 th of July – Little Forest Hills Parade	7/4/2023	1435 San Saba Dr.	9
Special Event	Garibaldi Bazaar Carnival with Triple T Amusements #1	7/6/2023	9334 E. R L Thornton Fwy.	7
Special Event	Run for the Blue Dallas	7/8/2023	3011 Gulden Ln.	6
Special Event	Happiest Hour Summer Night	7/8/2023	2616 Olive St.	14
Special Event	Valley View Carnival #2	7/10/2023	13331 Preston Rd.	11
Special Event	Bastille on Bishop	7/14/2023	400 N. Bishop Ave.	1
Special Event	The Sound Community Market	7/14/2023	3111 Olympus Blvd.	6

KBHCCD Schedule of Events

KBHCC	Texas FFA	7/11/2023	650 S. Akard St.	2
KBHCC	Alternative Products Expo	7/13/2023	650 S. Akard St.	2
KBHCC	Celebrations	7/14/2023	650 S. Akard St.	2

Heat Plan for Unsheltered Residents

The following **Salvation Army** Dallas locations have Cooling Stations open for those that need to seek refuge from the heat. Snacks and bottled water are available. Additionally, the locations will distribute bottled water and box fans (beginning mid-July) through their food pantries.

- The Salvation Army Carr P. Collins Social Service Center—5302 Harry Hines Boulevard, Dallas; open 7 days a week
- The Salvation Army Pleasant Grove Corps Community Center—8341 Elam Road, Dallas; open M-F 9:00-5:00
- The Salvation Army Oak Cliff Corps Community Center—1617 W. Jefferson Boulevard, Dallas; open M-F 9:00-5:00

Details can also be found here: <https://salvationarmytx.org/north-texas/heat-relief>

Union Gospel Mission Dallas is extending check-in times to 7:00PM daily at Calvert Place Men's Shelter located at 3211 Irving Blvd. The chapel area has been converted into a pop-up cooling area. The shelter needs bottled water, Gatorade and donations for the purchase of a commercial outdoor misting system. For more information about UGM, please visit <https://ugmdallas.org/>

Our Calling is open on Monday through Saturday and will remain open if the heat index reaches 105 degrees. The facility will be open until 5:00 PM or until the heat index drops below 105. The heat index is determined using weather.gov for zip code 75215. The facility is closed on Sundays and holidays. There is a great need for bottled water. For more information, please visit <https://www.ourcalling.org>.

Austin Street Center will be providing access to their lobby for air conditioning, hydration and phone charging from 8am – 6pm daily. Any and all are welcome to use the lobby.

- Austin Street will be increasing their bed count to ensure the most vulnerable are able to gain access to a shelter bed. They will be waiving the requirement of having an ID.
- In-kind Donations needed include: Blankets, Towels, feminine products, shampoo, conditioner, toothbrush and toothpaste. A full list can be found at <https://austinstreet.org/donate/>
- All donations can be dropped off at 1717 Jeffries Street, Dallas TX 75229 daily from 9am – 5pm.

Staff from **The Bridge Homeless Recovery Center**, located at 1818 Corsicana St., are patrolling the immediate area and offering water to individuals. During these engagements, staff is encouraging unsheltered homeless citizens to go to The Bridge's campus to shower, cool down, and take advantage of all services. For more information at about The Bridge, visit <https://www.bridgehrc.org/>

**City of Dallas
Office of Homeless Solutions
TCB Update – June 29, 2023**

**Encampment Resolution (Cleaning) Schedule
June 26 – June 30, 2023**

Location	District
900 Ceremonial Dr	2
6500 Harry Hines Blvd	2
1900 W Mockingbird Ln	2
1642 N Stemmons & Oaklawn Ave	2
11550 Ferguson Rd	9

**OHS H.A.R.T. Outreach and Advocacy
June 19 – June 24, 2023**

Performance Measure	Total
Number of Service Request Closed within 10 days	9
Number of Service Request still open (pending closure)	22
Number of MCC's received for the week	7
Number of Locations Visited	22
Number of Individuals Engaged	60
Number of HMIS Entered	0
Number of Panhandlers Engaged	6

**H.A.R.T. Encampment Resolution (Cleaning) Schedule
June 26 – July 1, 2023**

Location	District
3155 W Wheatland Rd	4
Webb Chapel & LBJ Fwy	6