

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE September 13, 2019

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Library and Mobile Hotspots Update**

As you know, the Dallas Public Library will continue to expand access and improve equity throughout the City in the proposed FY19-20 budget by piloting mobile hotspots. The hotspots will be available for check out in the same manner that a customer would check out a book or DVD. Hotspots will allow for easy connectivity to laptops, mobile devices and do not require installation in the home. Ultimately, this service would reduce barriers of access, enhance workforce readiness, and improve residents' quality of life.

At the budget amendment briefing on September 4, 2019, the City Council supported additional funding to increase the pilot to 900 hotspots. The library originally identified 3 pilot locations based on 2010 Census data (see attachment) for percentage of homes without internet access as well as proximity to Community Centers that can partner with participating libraries: the Dallas West, Martin Luther King, Jr. and Highland Hills Branch Libraries. The additional funding would add 7 sites: Arcadia Park, Bachman Lake, Paul Laurence Dunbar Lancaster-Kiest, Pleasant Grove, Polk-Wisdom, Prairie Creek and Skyline Branch Libraries. These locations are reflected on the attached map.

We will expedite procurement of the devices using cooperative purchasing agreements. We anticipate having a contract for City Council consideration by November and program launch in January 2020. Lastly, the Library will continue to seek grants and partnerships to augment the reach of this service.

If you have questions, please contact me or Jo Giudice, Dallas Public Library Director.

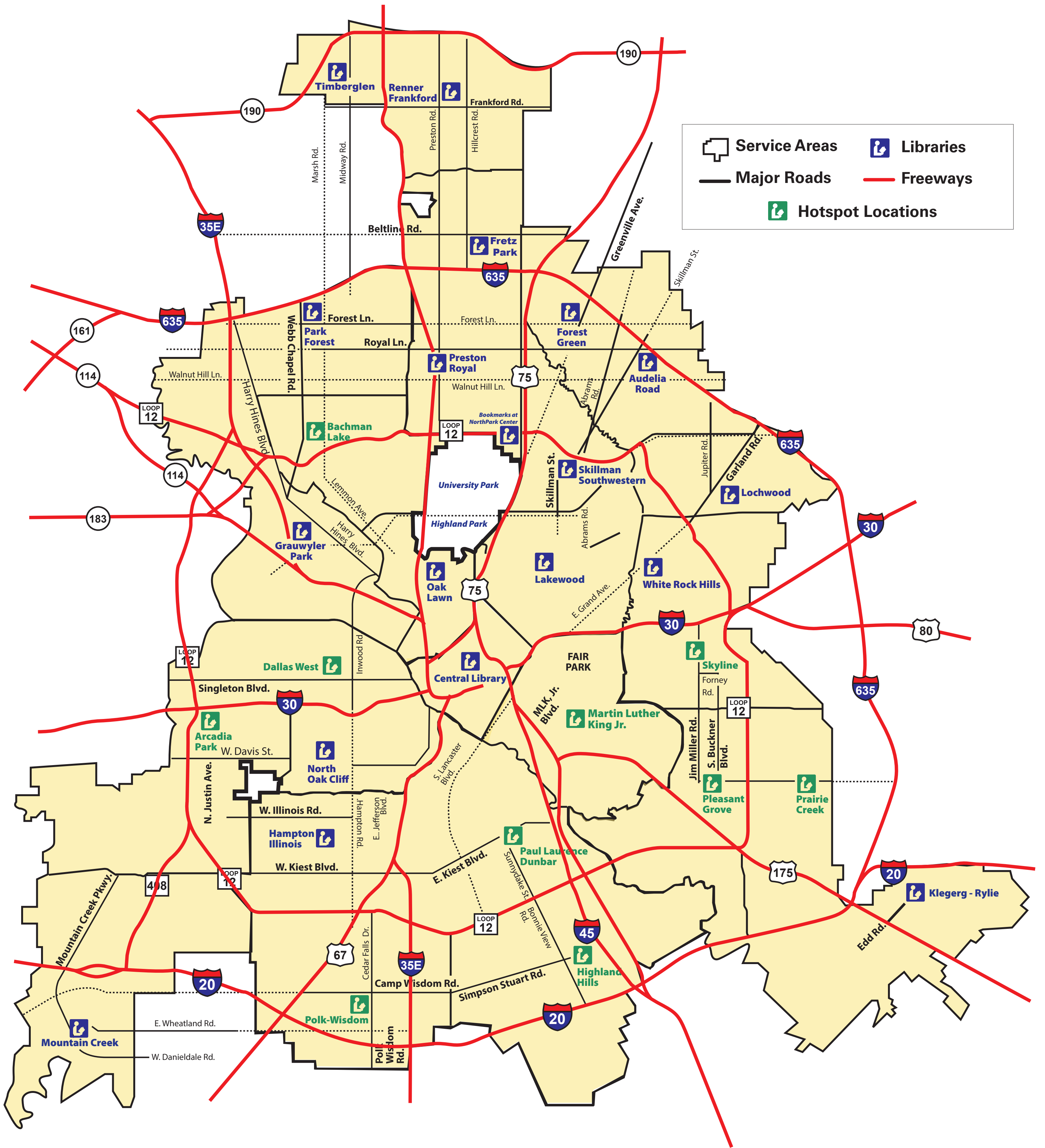
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Dallas Public Library System



ZIP Code	households with no internet access	Branch Library	Ranking
75270	N/A		
75390	N/A		
75210	54.69	Martin Luther King, Jr.	1
75215	50.74	Martin Luther King, Jr.	1
75216	53.98	Lancaster-Kiest	4
75212	45.52	Dallas West	2
75217	45.35	Pleasant Grove/Prairie Creek	5
75241	45.32	Highland Hills	3
75237	44.37	Polk-Wisdom	6
75211	42.56	Arcadia Park	7
75236	35.02	Arcadia Park	7
75232	40.85	Polk-Wisdom	6
75220	36.37	Bachman Lake	8
75227	34.85	Skyline	9
75246	34.1	Central/Lakewood	
75247	33.04	Grauwyler Park	
75240	31.46	Fretz Park	
75223	28.79	MLK/Lakewood	
75228	27.76	White Rock Hills	
75203	27.16	Lancaster-Kiest	
75233	26.33	Hampton-Illinois	
75243	25.51	Forest Green	
75224	24.64	Hampton-Illinois	
75231	24.36	Skillman Southwestern	
75253	24.14	Kleberg-Rylie	
75254	20.67	Fretz Park	
75238	20.38	Audelia Road	
75235	18.99	Grauwyler Park	
75226	17.87	Central	
75287	16.3	Timberglen	
75249	16.27	Mountain Creek	
75208	16.07	North Oak Cliff	
75229	15.95	Preston Royal/Park Forest	
75251	14.84	Preston Royal	
75218	14.06	Lochwood	
75230	12.97	Preston Royal	
75252	11.87	Renner Frankford	
75214	11.68	Lakewood	
75204	11.59	Lakewood	
75248	10.99	Fretz Park	
75219	10	Oak Lawn	
75206	9.05	Skillman Southwestern	
75209	9.02	Bachman Lake	
75207	6.21	Central	

75225	3.84	Preston Royal	
75201	3.24	Central	
75202	2.54	Central	

Location: Dallas (City, 2010)

Indicator source: Census

<http://www.policymap.com/our-data-directory.html#Census:%20Decennial%20Census%20and%20American%20Indian%20and%20Alaska%20Natives>

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