

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE April 1, 2022

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Taking Care of Business – March 31, 2022**

The City Launches the 1st City of Dallas Women Employees Dashboard

To celebrate Women's History Month, the Office of Data Analytics and Business Intelligence, in collaboration with the Human Resources Department, have published the first [Women Employees of the City of Dallas](#) dashboard. City of Dallas women employees come from diverse racial and ethnic background, represent 47 different countries of origin and span over 5 generations. About three-quarters of women employees in the City of Dallas are women of color, both as individual contributors and as managers and leaders. Women employees, with their multifaceted views, support excellence in public service and play a vital role in the operation of the City. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Dr. Brita Andercheck, Director of the Office of Data Analytics and Business Intelligence.

Affordable Connectivity Program

The [Affordable Connectivity Program](#) is an FCC benefit program that helps ensure that households can afford the broadband they need for work, school, healthcare and more. The benefit provides a discount of up to \$30 per month toward internet service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers if they contribute more than \$10 and less than \$50 toward the purchase price. The Affordable Connectivity Program is limited to one monthly service discount and one device discount per household. The attached flyer was created to assist in amplifying and sharing information related to the program. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Genesis D. Gavino, Chief of Staff to the City Manager.

Save the Date: Fair Park Multimedia Center ribbon cutting

Last year, Communications, Outreach & Marketing completed and opened its Fair Park Multimedia Center. Now that the City has entered the fourth and final phase of our COVID-19 Return to Work plans, please plan to join City Manager Broadnax at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 19 for a celebratory ribbon-cutting and ceremonial Grand Opening. Other festivities throughout the week will include workshops, tours, and a headshot studio. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Catherine Cuellar, Director of Communications, Outreach, and Marketing.

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Community Development Tour

The Community Development Commission will have their annual Community Tour on April 9, 2022. During the tour, the Commission will visit U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funded CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA projects. This year's tour will include visits to the Palladium Redbird Multifamily Housing development, the Northeast Community Court, and the Shared Housing Center. Park & Recreation will also share about impactful activities provided through the CDBG funded Out-of-School Time programs that are available to Dallas youth. We sent Save-the-Dates to the Mayor and City Council Office for distribution on Tuesday, March 29. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Chan Williams, Assistant Director in the Office of Budget and Management Services.

Community Cleanups

Code Compliance gladly assisted with three community clean-ups last week. The department provided resources and assistance to the Phillis Wheatley neighborhood, ACT, and Mount Carmel Baptist Church. Over 30 volunteers abated brush and litter from a vacant lot and removed curbside debris in the community. Code also provided resources and support to the Eastern Stars for their community clean-up in City Council District 8. Lastly, the department continued its partnership with Hensley Industries with its quarterly employee volunteer community clean-up near Crown Park in City Council District 2. The Department of Code Compliance would like to continue with assisting these efforts by helping with planning and providing supplies. Please make your request by accessing the link <https://bit.ly/3HRWvFx>



Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Eric Onyechefule, CCS Public Information Coordinator.

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Redistricting

The Redistricting Commission met on Monday, March 28 at 3:30 p.m. via videoconference and at Dallas City Hall – Briefing Room – 6ES. They received an update on map submissions and began discussing the final map selection process. After much discussion and debate, the Chair deferred the item and asked Commissioners to provide their own final map selection proposals to be discussed during their next meeting.

The next Commission meeting will be on Monday, April 4 at 6:30 p.m. at Dallas City Hall – Council Chambers – 6EN.

Individuals who wish to address the Redistricting Commission may do so virtually or in person by attending a regular meeting. For a complete list of meetings or to submit your very own map, visit www.DallasRedistricting.com or call 214-671-6197. All map submissions must be submitted by April 15, 2022.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Brett Wilkinson, Director of the Office of Government Affairs.

City Procurement 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
CIZ22-PBW-2031	Bonnie View Road Paving and Drainage Improvements, by Public Works
CIZ22-TRN-2032	DART Cotton Belt (aka Silver Line) located in the City of Dallas for Construction Management, Engineering, and Inspection Services (CMEI), by Transportation
BBZ22-00018444	Community Compost and Food Waste Reduction (CCFWR) - Pilot Project
BPZ22-00017599	Food and Drink Concession Service at the Kiest Softball Complex and Moody Performance Hall

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](#).

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 Chhunny Chhean, Director of Procurement Services.

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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).

Please see the attached schedule for homeless encampment cleaning the week of March 28 through April 1, 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.

Encampment Resolution (**Cleaning**) Schedule March 28 – April 1, 2022

LOCATION
8601-8605 Ferguson Rd
10345 Newcomb Drive
Preston & Alpha
14455 Preston Rd (Bridge)
NW Highway & Harry Hines
11555 Harry Hines
1262 International Rd

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.

City Council Briefings

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- Traffic Signal Infrastructure for Connected and Autonomous Vehicle Technology
- Airport Parking Fee Update

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Media Inquiries

As of March 24, the Communications, Outreach, and Marketing (COM) Department has received various media inquiries available to view by clicking [here](#). Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Catherine Cuellar, Director of the Office of Communication, Outreach and Marketing.

The following storylines reference the major media inquiries addressed by Dallas Fire-Rescue (DFR) during the period dating from March 22nd – 28th. 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](#).

Highlights include:

- Boxes of Hand Sanitizer Catch Fire at South Dallas Truck Stop
- Former DFR Members Gets Probation After Lying About COVID-19 Diagnosis
- DFR Recovers Dead Body from White Rock Lake

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- Un descuento único de hasta \$100 por una computadora portátil, computadora de escritorio o una tableta electrónica a través de un proveedor participante.

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