

DR. THERESA DANIEL DALLAS COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 1 NEWSLETTER

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Homelessness in Dallas County

Inclement Weather Information and District 1 Helps with Point In Time Count

In January, when the weather can turn dangerous, or even deadly, the community comes together to try and address the needs and care of our homeless residents.

Inclement Weather Information: Shelters that have available overflow space will utilize said space during inclement weather. Overflow shelter space is only open and available during inclement weather and when all local shelters are operating at capacity. Shelter staff will be in regular communication regarding capacity and

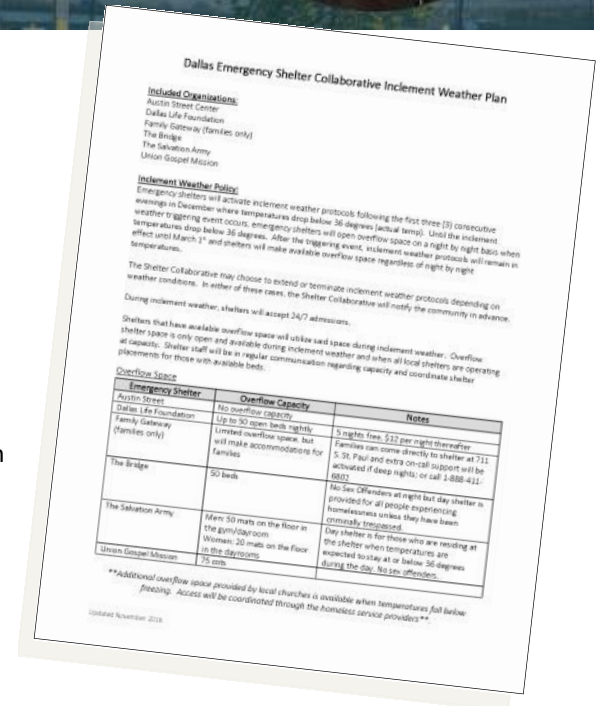
coordinate shelter placements for those with available beds.

Additional overflow space provided by local churches is available when temperatures fall below freezing. Access will be coordinated through the homeless service providers.

Point in Time: Once a year, along with communities across the country, we count our homeless friends. The Point in Time Count, a requirement under Federal Law, helps communities understand the extent of homelessness, changing trends, and the measure of their success in making homelessness rare, brief and nonrecurring. District 1 participated in the count and had our largest team ever this year.



Commissioner Theresa Daniel and team bundle up for a cold night of counting Dallas County homeless residents.



Health News

Dallas County Hires New Director of Health and Human Services



Dr. Philip Huang
(Photo credit City of Austin)

Dallas County has hired Dr. Philip Huang as the new director of Health and Human Services.

Dr. Philip Huang, who was previously the medical director and health authority of Austin Public Health, is expected to start his new job in February.

Dr. Huang, a Lake Highlands High School graduate, grew up in Dallas and earned his medical degree from UT Southwestern Medical School. He also has a master's degree in public health from Harvard University and studied disease outbreaks for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

In a recent *Dallas Morning News* interview, Dr. Huang said "It's the job of public health professionals to collect and monitor data to spot problems, identify what communities are being affected and measure the impact of any health initiatives."

Walk-in Immunization Clinic Hours and Locations

We serve children 18 years and younger. Cost: \$10 first visit, \$5 subsequent visits.

DCHHS Stemmons Immunization Clinic

2377 N. Stemmons Freeway, #159 (first floor) Dallas, TX 75207
8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Wednesday
214-819-2163 or 214-819-1903

Carrollton Farmers Branch Immunization Clinic, 2774 Valwood Pkwy, Farmers Branch, TX 75234. 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday through Friday 972-241-2684

John West Branch Immunization Clinic, 3312 N. Buckner Blvd. Suite 200, Dallas, TX 75228. 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday through Friday 214-321-5747

Irving Branch Immunization Clinic, 440 S. Nursery Rd., Irving, TX 75060 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday through Friday 972-721-3661

North Dallas Branch Immunization Clinic, 8202 Spring Valley Rd. #200, Dallas, TX 75240. This clinic location is located at the corner of Waterfall Way and Spring Valley behind the laundromat. 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday through Friday 214-358-0926

Oak Cliff Branch Immunization Clinic, 1113 E. Jefferson Boulevard, Suite 200, Dallas, TX 75203 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday through Friday 214-948-0425

District 1 Community Focus: GARLAND

Shiloh Road Groundbreaking

Shiloh Road and South Garland Avenue at Interstate 635 is one of the busiest intersections in Garland, with thousands of motorists traveling that area every day. The thoroughfare is about to undergo a major transformation. When it is completed, drivers can expect a much smoother ride through that southern part of Garland.

Commissioner Theresa Daniel feels this project is of vital importance to the industrial traffic that supports the Garland economy.

The total project budget and funding is \$24 million with a \$10 million Dallas County contribution. The project is scheduled to begin in January 2019 and to be completed by June 2021.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

- Widening of Shiloh Road between 635 and Kingsley Road from four lanes to six lanes divided (approximately one mile)
- Drainage improvements to reduce roadway flooding on Shiloh Road and McCree Road
- Channel erosion protection on Leon Road
- New water and wastewater lines
- New electrical transmission line that combines all overhead lines to improve roadway aesthetics
- New lighting and streetscape to improve roadway aesthetics
- Upgrades to the KCS signal crossing
- Installation of a unique signal monotube structure at SH78 to reduce the number of poles at the intersection.



L to R: Garland City Councilmembers Robert John Smith, Robert Vera, Jim Bookhout, Commissioner Theresa Daniel, Garland Mayor Lori Barnett Dodson, Councilmembers Jerry Nickerson, David Gibbons and Rich Aubin.

In addition to the congestion, utility and aesthetic improvements, the project should serve as a catalyst for commercial development at the old Hypermart site and surrounding area.

Garland Hospital access

Commissioner Daniel is very aware and concerned about the impact of the Baylor Garland Hospital closing. There are on-going discussions with Parkland, the City of Garland staff and elected officials, and service providers to ensure access to care.

Baylor Scott & White Medical Center – Garland is now Closed

As of February 28, 2018, Baylor Scott & White Medical Center – Garland has closed. This decision was especially difficult because of the rich history we have as a provider of compassionate care to this community.

If a patient needs to obtain a copy of his or her medical record after Feb. 28, 2018, please access PhotoStat.org and select Forms > Downloadable Forms to request medical records.

Although the hospital has closed, Baylor Scott & White and our affiliates will continue to serve the Garland community through several access points, including family medicine, cardiology, imaging, orthopedics, outpatient rehabilitation and more.

Source: www.bswhealth.com

2018 District 1 Road and Bridge Holiday Party



Clockwise from left: Commissioner Daniel greets the youngest attendee of the annual District 1 Holiday party.

The "Elfie" Station with Frosty the Polar Bear photo bombing Commissioner Daniel, Dallas City Councilman Rickey D. Callahan and guests.

FOOD!



Below and Right: Before/After of the event space at the District 1 Road and Bridge office. No more blue tarps and car jacks for the Holiday Party!

