

DR. THERESA DANIEL DALLAS COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 1 NEWSLETTER

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Another Round of Successful Town Halls for 2019 !

Commissioner Theresa Daniel welcomed residents of District 1, Dallas County officials, and special guests to her 2019 annual town hall meetings. Attendees were invited to explore what Dallas County government does and how it relates to them. This year's meetings were held in Northeast Dallas, Oak Lawn, Pleasant Grove and Garland at the Road and Bridge District 1 office. Residents had the opportunity to hear from Dallas County's new District Attorney John Cruzot, Tax Assessor John Ames and his staff, and Health and Human Services director Dr. Philip Huang. Each presenter covered day-to-day topics that effect residents, such as, the changes in the Dallas County criminal justice system, property taxes, the risks of mosquito-borne diseases, and lastly, the importance of getting a flu vaccine.

We were joined by special guest speakers Dr. Esmaeil Porsa, EVP & Chief Strategy & Integration Officer, James Perez, Administrator COPC Operations, Jessica Hernandez, SVP of Operations-Population Health, all from Parkland Health & Hospital System. Attendees also included Mayor Paul Voelker (Richardson), Councilmember Mark Solomon (Richardson), and Mayor Sam Pickett (Mesquite).

As Commissioner Daniel likes to say, "We don't do anything by ourselves and Dallas County works as a team for our residents." So, thank you to all of our presenters, special guest speakers and those that attended for making the 2019 town hall meetings an outstanding success.

Also, a big thank you to our hosts, Reverchon Recreation Center, Chimney Hill Clubhouse, and Eastfield College Pleasant Grove.



Above top to bottom: Dr. Philip Huang , Director of Health and Human Services & John Ames, Tax Assessor

Below left to right : Dallas County District Attorney John Cruzot, Mayor Same Pickett (Mesquite) & Mayor Paul Voelker (Richardson)



Community Events



Hamilton Park kicked off its 34th annual Juneteenth Parade on Saturday June 22nd to celebrate the announcement that ended slavery in Texas. They welcomed Commissioner Theresa Daniel, Congressman Colin Allred, Councilman Adam McGough, and other dignitaries.



Mesquite CommUNITY Pride Event

Commissioner Theresa Daniel presented a resolution at Mesquite's first ever pride event, "Mesquite CommUNITY Pride Month", on June 21, 2019. LGBTQ Pride Month is celebrated each year in June to honor the 1969 Stonewall riots in which New York City police raided the Stonewall Inn, a gay club located in Greenwich Village in New York City. Guests included Councilman Jeff Casper, ADA Philip Clark, Chris Schlarb of Eastfield College Prism Club, Dean Katy Launius, and Mesquite native Sarah Browning Key.



First Harvest

The collaboration between Commissioner Theresa Daniel's Road and Bridge 1 office and Texas A&M Agrilife has started to see the fruits of their labor. The first harvest is here! The collard and mustard green seedlings were donated by MLK Seed Farm, a local entity and a collaborator in addressing the food desert issue. The harvest has since been donated to the Austin Street Shelter.



Pictured LEFT to RIGHT: Barron Horton harvest collard greens and mustard greens; Drew Delmer and Baron Horton of Big Tex Farms, a collaborator with Texas A&M Agrilife Extension, display a portion of the harvest of collard greens and mustard greens that were donated to the Austin Street Shelter .

The Last Vestige of Traditional Road & Bridge 1



The end of an era was marked as we said goodbye to the last piece of equipment left from Dallas County's new "Urban Road and Bridge" District 1 office located at 715 Rowlett Rd., Garland, Texas 75243. The bulldozer was auctioned off and trucked away on May 10th, 2019. As we close the door to what used to be, we continue to celebrate what is and what is yet to come. The Road and Bridge office has been reopened since June 6, 2018 and continues to thrive as a contributing part of Dallas County business in District 1.