

DR. THERESA DANIEL DALLAS COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 1 NEWSLETTER

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Happy Holidays! District 1 Year in Review

Seasons Greetings from Commissioner Daniel

As we are getting used to our “new normal” with COVID-19 and people are starting to learn how to relate in groups again, 2022 still held some ups and downs. We moved from our home at 411 Elm Street, the Texas School Book Depository Building, to the beautifully renovated Records Building at 500 Elm. This is your space and I invite you to come look at the architecture, history and use the services that Dallas County provides. As we continue to fight epidemics and other illnesses, we also are working to make sure that all are housed and cared for. Please enjoy this photo recap of last year and I hope you all have a very happy holiday season.

Dr. Theresa M. Daniel



Clockwise from top left: We ended 2021 and greeted 2022 with our Annual Holiday Party. I had the honor of hearing Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg at the NACo Legislative Conference and meeting Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi when she toured our DCHHS facilities with Congressman Collin Allred. We kicked off planting season at R&B 1 with a HUGE group of volunteers.



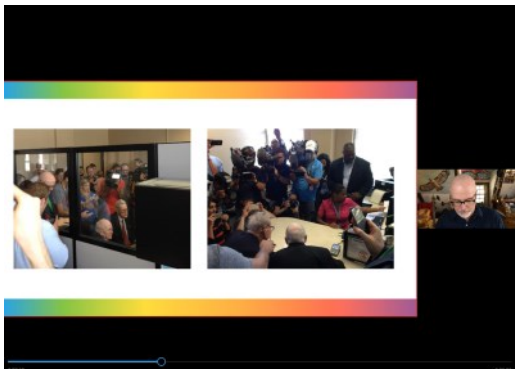
Balch Springs was added to my district and we had a wonderful tour of the City given by Mayor Carrie Gordon, City Manager Susan Cluse and Staff. Balch Springs was sadly hit by fires and flooding this year impacting many residents.



From Left: My annual Boards and Commissions Thank You event at Café Momentum. John Yourse serves on the Citizens Elections Board; Supporting veterans at Heroes House with Congresswoman Eddie Bernice Johnson, Congresswoman-Elect Jasmine Crockett, Dallas City Councilmember and Adam Bazaldua; The grand opening of the Dallas County Deflection Center at Homeward Bound with NTBHA CEO Carol Lucky, DA John Creuzot, Commissioner Dr. Theresa Daniel, Catholic Bishop Edward J. Burns, Commissioner J.J. Koch, and County Judge Clay Jenkins; The Texas A&M Agrilife Master Gardeners learned how to make wine this year using the grapes grown at my Garland District office.



Above and Right: This year we said goodbye to the historic School Book Depository Building, where Dallas County Administration was for decades. The last Commissioners Court in the Allen Clemson Courtroom was held on June 21, 2022. We then moved to the newly renovated Records Building Courtroom on August 2. Seen cutting the ceremonial ribbon are County Clerk John Warren, Tax Assessor John Ames, Commissioners Daniel, Garcia, Price and Treasurer Pauline Medrano.



Clockwise from top left: District 1 held our first Lunch & Learn virtually to celebrate Pride Month with George Harris and Eric Folkert; Supporting Dallas Reads with Dallas Councilmember Ridley and The Bridge CEO Dr. Woody. Attending the exhibit of student art at the Sixth Floor Museum; Celebrating the Juneteenth in Garland with NAACP Ricky McNeal and Mayor Scott LeMay; National Night Out with Constable Michael Orozco; Leading my last RTC meeting as Chari with the new Chair Collin County Commissioner Duncan Webb and RTC Director Michael Morris; at Big Texas Recovery rally with the Dallas Maverick's ManiAACs; Opening a vital industrial throughway in Mesquite at Town East with Public Works Director Alberta Blair and Mesquite's John Mears.



September is Suicide Awareness month and we were honored to host this year's event held by the Greater Dallas Suicide Prevention Coalition. Each year, nearly 50,000 lives across our nation are tragically lost to this community public health problem that is largely preventable. With a commitment to effective interventions to reduce risk factors and increase resilience, preventing suicide is within reach. The shoes represent lives lost to suicide in the past year.



Clockwise from top left: Touring the newly-constructed segment of the Trinity Forest Spine Trail and Creekside Park; Another outdoor tour of the Garland Spring Creek Preserve which is part of the Dallas County Open Space and Preserves program; Volunteering during Addressing Mesquite to help elderly and disabled homeowners maintain their property; Interviewing for a film being made about the Records Building renovation; Our hugely successful Community Resources Fair provided information to Dallas County residents about much-needed services; At the Community Resource Fair with Garland City Councilmember Deborah Morris, DCHHS Director Dr. Philip Huang and Assistant Director Ganesh Shivaramaiyer.