



Combating Homelessness Through Community Partnerships

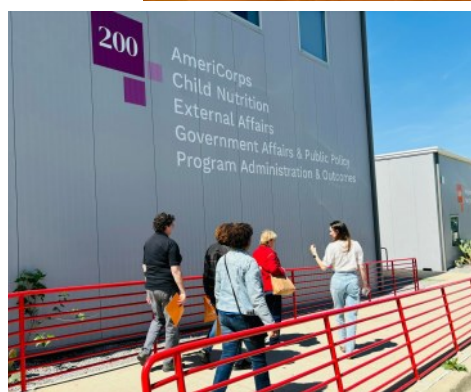
Housing/homelessness are one of the core issues Dr. Daniel and her staff works tirelessly to address. Commissioner has been busy within Dallas County checking in with District 1 civic leaders and community partners to gain invaluable insight on the impact of housing and homelessness that their organizations are experiencing. Progress is being made to provide more accessible and affordable housing within Dallas County with several projects underway that are providing more affordable housing units in District 1 and around the county. Dallas County Health and Human Services offers various programs such as the Eviction Prevention Program, the Dallas County Housing Agency, and rental and utility assistance which are available to address other aspects of being housed. Dr. Daniel is involved in the housing/homelessness conversation statewide as well. As a panelist on the University of Texas at Austin 2024 Land Use Conference, Commissioner discussed advancing housing affordability in counties. The County also partners with cities and community organizations to offer more assistance to those who are in need in the housing/homeless arena. These partnerships help to mitigate the effects of the housing deficiency within our community. Dr. Daniels's commitment to addressing these issues epitomizes her two cardinal rules: "1. We don't do anything by ourselves. 2. We're not quite done yet."

Right: The University of Texas School Of Law 2024 Land Use Conference Panel lineup.

Bottom Left: Commissioner Daniel and staff visit CitySquare to learn more about the services and programming available to citizens.

Bottom Middle: Commissioner Daniel and Staff tour the new and expanded Mesquite Sharing Life facility where they provide various services and assistance to citizens.

Bottom Right: Commissioner Daniel speaks to Sara Craig, City Square's Chief Development Officer.





Dallas County Board Member Spotlight

Dallas County Citizen Election Advisory Committee Board Member John Yourse

As a member of the Dallas County Citizen Election Advisory Committee, John Yourse understands that civic minded people are the key to make processes better for the community as a whole. That reason has grounded John to stay connected to the Citizen Election Advisory Committee for his past several terms. The Citizen Election Advisory Committee members provide the evaluation of the performance of Dallas County election system in major elections and provide assistance in the determination of future election policy. John Yourse explains further stating that board members assists with deciding how to better utilize polling locations and provide input whether to leave a polling location open or closed. He also believes that over time procedures have been put in place that make the processes of elections smoother and easier to navigate. He stated that not only did this have a positive affect on the voting process, but for those who work the elections as well. He believes that more civic minded people are needed to continue the progression of assisting with providing safe and fair elections in Dallas County. He also believes that if younger people are brought in, it helps to create more civic minded people to continue the work and create the next leaders that will lead the community. Mr. Yourse wants to ensure the public that elections in Dallas County are ran effectively, efficiently, and correctly and he encourages all who can to get involved in your local community. Doing so brings about change and pride in the community you live and serve. The Dallas County Citizen Election Advisory Committee meets quarterly throughout the year. For more information on this board, please contact the Dallas County Elections Department at 214-819-6335.

Insights of A Generation Z's Election Experience

As the Dallas County Commissioner for District 1, Dr. Daniel has the distinct pleasure of educating the public about the policies and procedures of local government. This also includes educating tomorrows' best and brightest leaders. Each year, Commissioner Daniel invites a Skyline High School senior to intern in her office as part of their practicum class. The intern learns about the office of the Commissioner and the daily processes they are involved in. They also learn about other aspects of local government and how the departments work together to facilitate the daily operation of functioning local government. In doing so, the District 1 intern, Sarahi Velasco, had the opportunity to work for the Dallas County Elections department in the March Primary Elections as a first time student clerk at the Young Men's Leadership Academy at Fred F. Florence Middle School polling site in Dallas. She recounts her experience working her first election.



"There was never a more unique experience than being a student election clerk in an adult election. I was thrilled to have the chance to take part in a significant and worthwhile political process as a high school student. Being involved in an election was a dream come true for me because I had always been interested in politics and the government. I was eager to start my job as a student election clerk, so I got to the polling station early on election day. I was tasked with a variety of duties during the day, such as distributing ballots, checking in voters, and helping with any problems that came up. It was an energetic and fast-paced day, with people constantly pouring in to cast their vote. The arrival of people that only spoke Spanish was a huge part of the day's most noteworthy events. By reading the alternatives aloud and translating their selections for them, I was able to help them complete their ballot. Being able to assist someone in exercising their right to vote, despite any barriers they might encounter, was a humbling experience.

I had the chance to speak with a wide variety of people during the day, each of them has their own distinct priorities and points of view. Hearing their thoughts and perspectives on the topics that were most important to them was intriguing, as was seeing the excitement they showed during the voting process. I also came to understand the significance of free and transparent elections as a clerk. I personally witnessed the painstaking attention to detail and exacting protocols put in place to guarantee the credibility of the voting process. It served as a reminder of the core tenets of democracy and the significance of upholding everyone's right to express themselves.

Overall, being a student election clerk was a valuable and rewarding experience that not only deepened my understanding of the electoral process but also reinforced my belief in the power of democracy. It was an honor to play a small role in facilitating the election and to witness the energy and enthusiasm of the amazing people that showed up as they exercised their right to vote. I will always look back on this experience with fondness and gratitude, knowing that I played a part in making our community a more vibrant and inclusive place."

For more information on working with the Dallas County Elections department, please call 469-627-VOTE.

Around District 1 and Dallas County

Clockwise from Top Pic 1: Commissioner Daniel speaking at the Mesquite City Council meeting .



Pic 2: Daniel Wood of Buckner Terrace Neighborhood Association, Tim Jackson of Real Youth Mentoring, DC Commissioner Dr. Theresa Daniel, District 1, and Adam Bazaldua, Dallas City Councilman, District 7 at the Joe V's Groundbreaking on Buckner Blvd.



Pic 3: Commissioner Daniel welcoming employees to the Dallas County Women's History Economic Status of Women

Pic 4: Commissioner Daniel speaks to the attendees of the White Rock Lake Foundation Volunteer Appreciation reception.



Pic 5: Garland ISD Trustee Linda Griffin, Vocalist Reuben Lael, DC Commissioner Dr. Daniel, Dr. Sheron Patterson, Senior Pastor Hamilton Park United Methodist Church at the Martyr's Park Shadow Lines Sculpture Dedication



Pic 6: Commissioner Daniel honors the 100th birthday of Ms. Barbara Mott with a resolution at the CC Young Senior Living Facility

Pic 7: DC Commissioner Daniel speaking with attendees at the Dallas County Open Space Master Plan meeting.

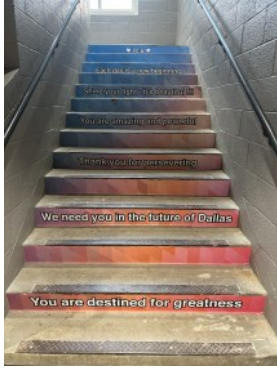
Pic 8: Ceremonial shovels and hard hats for the groundbreaking of the Dallas County Health and Human Services Biosafety Laboratory

Pic 9: Members from the United Way, Dallas CASA, and Commissioners Court observing the Black Maternal Health Week with a resolution.

Pic 10: Commissioner Daniel speaks with a volunteer at the Ferguson Road Initiative cleanup event.

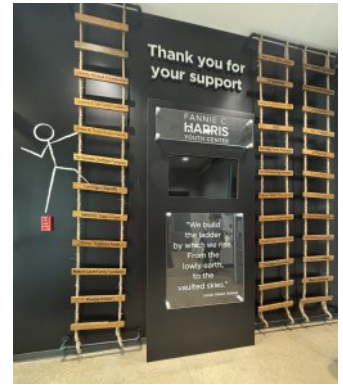


Community Partnerships at Work



Above: Steps in the Fannie C. Harris Youth Center.

Commissioner Daniel and staff had the opportunity to tour Jonathan's Place, a local community partner who's mission is "to provide a safe place, loving homes, and promising futures to abused and neglected children, teens, and young adults." Jonathan's Place was established over 30 years ago and celebrated its grand opening in 1994 and it began accepting children into its care in its long term foster care program 1995. Since then, the organization has evolved and are providing services such as emergency shelters, the national safe place program, foster care and adoption programs, and numerous programming for girls aged newborn to 23. They have multiple facilities and are looking to expand their services across the DFW metroplex. They are committed to providing children a safe space to learn, grow, and become productive successful people for the community.



Above: The Gratitude Ladder Wall at Fannie C. Harris Youth Center.



Left: CEO Alicia Frye showing Commissioner Daniel the Library at Jonathan's Place. Middle Left: The outside of the podcast studio at the Fannie C Harris Center. Middle Right: The Mission of Jonathan's Place at the entrance of the facility. Right: Commissioner Daniel and staff touring the grounds of Jonathan's Place with CEO Alicia Frye.

2024 UPCOMING ELECTION INFO

Tuesday, May 28, 2024 Primary Runoff Election

First Day for Department to Mail Overseas and Military Ballots	Saturday, April 13, 2024
Last Day to Register to Vote	Monday, April 29, 2024
Last Day to Receive Ballot by Mail Application (Not Postmarked)	Friday, May 17, 2024
Last Day to Receive Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)	Monday, May 20, 2024
Mail Ballot can be delivered in Person by 7 PM	Tuesday, May 28, 2024
Last Day to receive Ballot by Mail.	Wednesday, May 29, 2024
Must be postmarked on or before 5/28/24 by 7 PM	
First Day to Canvass	Friday, May 31, 2024
Last Day to Receive FPCA Overseas Ballots	Monday, June 3, 2024
Must be postmarked on or before 5/28/24 by 7 PM	
Last Day to Cure Provisional Ballot for Voters Who Did Not Present a Photo ID	Monday, June 3, 2024
Last Day to Canvass	Monday, June 10, 2024

Early Voting

(*indicates the time is subject to change)

Date(s)	Day of the week	Time
May 20-24	Monday-Friday	*7 AM - 7 PM

Election Day

Date(s)	Day of the week	Time
May 28	Tuesday	7 AM - 7 PM