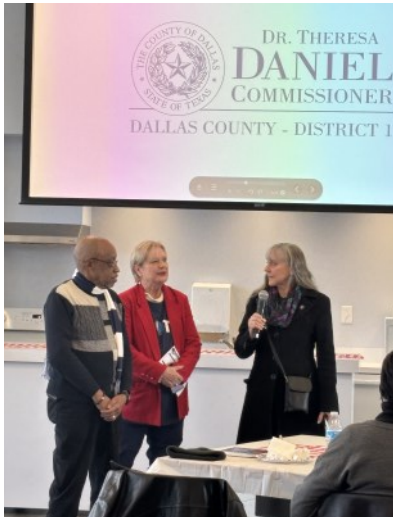




KICKING OFF THE NEW YEAR IN HIGH GEAR!

Commissioner Daniel kicked off the 2024 New Year with a luncheon for Dallas County employees, constituents, stakeholders, and other elected officials to start the New Year with thank you! The catered bar-b-que lunch provided by Mesquite Bar-b-que was a way of showing thanks for all of the hard work from the previous year and to kick off the new year in true Texas fashion! Commissioner Daniel, Sherriff Marian Brown, and others expressed thanks and words of encouragement for the collaboration and partnerships with Dallas County.



Top Left: City of Garland Councilmembers Deborah Morris, District 2 and B.J. Williams District 4 along with D. C. Commissioner Daniel welcome and wish the attendees a Happy New Year at the luncheon. Middle Top: Attendees mix and mingle during the New Year's Luncheon. Top Right: Jerome Garza of JBI Management, D. C. Sherriff Marian Brown, D. C. Commissioner Daniel, District 1, and City of Dallas Councilmember Jaime Resendez District 5 greet attendees at the luncheon.



Bottom Left: D C Commissioner Dr. Theresa Daniel, D.C. Sherriff Marian Brown, D.C. Constable Precinct 2 Deanna Hammond speak to attendees at the New Year's Luncheon. Middle Bottom: Attendees including former and current employees of D.C. Texas A&M Agrilife. Bottom Right: Commissioner Daniel speaking with Homeward Bound Deflection Center Executive Director Doug Denton and other luncheon attendees.

Dallas County Participates in HUD Annual Point-In-Time Count



Left: Volunteers at the opening of the Point-In-Time Count. Middle Left: Housing Forward President and CEO Sarah Kahn addressing volunteers. Middle Right: Commissioner Daniel giving her opening remarks at the 2024 PIT count. Right: Commissioner Daniel's staff getting ready to volunteer at the annual PIT count. L to R, Blanca Gonzalez, Latoya Jenkins, Tzegabrhhan Kidane, Commissioner Daniel, Erin Moore, and Claudia Vargas

Commissioner Daniel and her team participated in the annual Point-In-Time Count on Thursday, January 25, 2024. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) mandates Continuum of Care Organizations to count the number of people experiencing homelessness in their service area. Commissioner Daniel and her team joined in with hundreds of volunteers to canvass the residential and commercial areas of district 1 and Dallas County.

In Dallas and Collin Counties, Housing Forward leads the charge on performing this pivotal task. By collecting these data, Housing Forward is able to determine the impact of homelessness in Dallas and Collin Counties. From that data they are able to strategize ways to address those issues. Dallas County remains committed to servicing the needs of its residents and partners with the Housing Forward and others as member of the All Neighbors Coalition.



Dallas County Board Member Spotlight

Dallas County Homeless Advisory Committee Board Member Ryan Garcia

Ryan Garcia is committed to making development for housing more accessible and easier for residents of the County and City of Dallas. He previously served the County on the Dallas County Historical Commission. After transitioning professionally in the affordable housing arena in 2018, it was fitting to take his talents and skills to the Dallas County Homeless Advisory Committee in 2019. He also serves on the City of Dallas Housing Finance Corporation and is committed to making new housing projects easier to attain. As a member of the Homeless Advisory Committee, Ryan is excited to work with other board members to brainstorm ideas and learn more about the homeless neighbors the County has. Employees of Dallas County Health and Human Services serve as the public health entity within the committee and provide guidance and direction on these matters. Ryan believes that the monthly health updates on matters such as Covid, RSV, flu and MPOX may be forgotten with this population if it were not for the efforts of the committee. He also believes that the County serves as a great resource of data and information to offer not only those experiencing homelessness, but those who need assistance with their housing. Programs such as the Eviction Prevention Program and programming for youth aging out of the foster care system are other current support services the committee is addressing. As committee members serve two year terms, Ryan states that he is excited about the future housing projects the County is involved in and is very hopeful about the impact it will make within Dallas County.

The Homeless Advisory Committee serves as a sub-committee of Dallas County and the Dallas Area Partnership to End and Prevent Homelessness and meets every third Monday of the month.

Around District 1 and Dallas County



Top Left: The Meadows Executive Director Ron Stretcher, Commissioner Theresa Daniel, D.C. Elections Voter Registration Teresa Morgan, and Commissioner Daniel's Program Manager Erin Moore registering voters during D.C. Elections and District 1's Voter Registration Drive.

Top Middle: Commissioner Daniel and others celebrate the grand opening of Embree Eastside by Palladium in Garland.

Top Right: Commissioner Daniel giving kudos to the Sheriff and staff for a successful evaluation at the Jail Commission de-briefing.

Middle Left: State Senator Dist. 23 Royce West, State Senator Dist. 16 Nathan Johnson, Sheriff Marian Brown, Dallas County Commissioner Dist. 1 Dr. Theresa Daniel, and State House Dist. 108 Nominee (D) Elizabeth Ginsberg at the Sheriff and Shaq sponsored Gun Buyback Event.

Middle: Commissioner Daniel and other employees of Dallas County receiving the Pillar Award with members of the Regional Hispanic Contractors Association for the work done on the Jackson Street Garage.

Middle Right: Commissioner Daniel staff attend one of the Dallas County Black History Programs sponsored by the Dallas County Office of Diversity and Inclusion.

Right: Commissioner Daniel attends the Catholic Charities 2024 Bishop's Gala and participates in the gala festivities.

Bottom Right: Commissioner Daniel's staff attends the City of Dallas Human Trafficking Awareness Luncheon.



PATHWAYS TO ENTREPRENEURSHIP EVENT

Commissioner Daniel collaborated with the Dallas County Office of Small Business Enterprise (SBE) to host the “Pathways to Entrepreneurship” outreach event at the Dallas County Records building on January 17th, 2024. The event was open to current and future business owners who are interested in learning how to do business with Dallas County, become a certified vendor with Dallas County, and forge relationships with others in the business community. The event featured presenters from the Dallas-Fort Worth Minority Supplier Development Council, the North Central Texas Regional Certification Agency, the Women’s Business Council-Southwest, and concluded with a panel of successful entrepreneurs who shared their experiences, best practices, and personal journeys. The Dallas County Commissioners Court established the Small Business Enterprise Program (SBE) for the purpose of promoting equal business opportunities for small businesses. In addition, Dallas County aspires to increase the participation of small businesses in all aspects of contracting with Dallas County to include contracting with Small Business Enterprises (SBEs) directly or indirectly through contracting, subcontracting, and/or other procurement activities. To learn more about the Office of Small Business, please visit dallascounty.org/departments/small-business-enterprise/.



Left: SBE flag outside of the event meeting room. Middle Left: Commissioner Daniel welcoming business owners to the Entrepreneurship Outreach Event. Middle Right: SBE Director Jesse Crawford introducing panelists, Elizabeth Ponce, Vivian Hughes, and Jennifer Ayers. Right: Commissioner Daniel talking to business owners during the intermission.

2024 PRIMARY VOTING INFORMATION

IMPORTANT VOTING DATES

- Mon., Feb. 5, 2024 Last day to register to vote
- Tue., Feb 20, 2024 Early Voting Begins
- Fri., Feb. 23, 2024 Last day to receive ballot by mail application
- Fri., Mar 1, 2024 Early Voting Ends
- Tues., Mar. 5, 2024 Primary Election Day
- Tues., Mar. 5, 2024 Mail ballot can be delivered in person. Must be received by 7:00 pm
- Wed. Mar. 6, 2024 Last Day to Receive Ballot by mail

For more Dallas County voting info, please visit: dallascountyvotes.org

	<u>Early Voting</u>	
Date(s)	Day of the Week	Time
February 20 – February 23, 2024	Tuesday – Friday	8 AM – 5 PM
February 24, 2024	Saturday	7 AM – 7 PM
February 25, 2024	Sunday	12 PM – 6 PM
February 26 – March 01, 2024	Monday-Friday	7 AM – 7 PM

Primary Election – Tuesday, March 05, 2024

	<u>Election Day</u>	
Date	Day of the Week	Time
March 05, 2024	Tuesday	7 AM – 7 PM