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National Slavery & Human Trafficking Prevention Month

January is National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month. Let us raise awareness about the different forms of human trafficking and educate others on how to spot and end human trafficking.

Wildlife Parkway



Dallas County Public Works and SBE departments hosted a Wildlife Parkway Pre-Project meeting. This event gave attendees access to project information and answered their project related questions.

This project will run from SH 161 to Belt Line Road in the City of Grand Prairie. The project consists of roadway and bridge improvements by widening to a 4-lane divided roadway with a trail connection and a sidewalk. To watch the recorded Wildlife Parkway Pre-Project meeting, please click [here](#).

Commissioner Garcia Receives COVID-19 Booster Shot



Commissioner Garcia received her booster shot against COVID-19 and encourages her community to do so as well. Even if you are fully vaccinated, you may receive a booster shot, which can be any COVID-19 vaccine as recommended by the CDC. If you received Pfizer or Moderna, you may get a booster 6 months after your second dose. If you received Johnson & Johnson, you may get a booster after 2 months.

Click [here](#) to obtain more information on the COVID-19 vaccine or visit dallascounty.org.



May 2022 be your best year as I hope it is filled with new adventures and good fortunes. I am grateful for all the work we have accomplished in Dallas County and look forward to the goals we will achieve in the new year!

Saludos!



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LULAC 17th Annual Cena-En-El-Barrio

LULAC, in partnership with the North Texas Food Bank (NTFB) and HEB Grocery Co. raised and delivered boxes of food to impoverished families in North Texas during their 17th Annual Cena-En-El-Barrio. To fight hunger, poverty, and relieve some financial strain, over 200 volunteers took time out of their schedules to deliver 3500 food boxes to our low-income families and senior citizens.



Chris Howell Foundation Toy & Food Giveaway

The Chris Howell Foundation (CHF) is ensuring that families and vulnerable communities have access to the necessary resources this holiday season. To close out the holiday season, the CHF hosted a food drive and toy giveaway at Dallas College Mountain View Campus and provided 266 free food boxes to families and 498 toys to children. Commissioner Garcia thanks the CHF for their continued effort to support our communities and give back to those in need.



Dallas Area Habitat for Humanity Santa's Workshop

Dallas Area Habitat for Humanity hosted their Santa's Workshop to get homes ready for the holidays. Through this event volunteers lent a hand to restore our communities by building future homes for low-income families. Commissioner Garcia wants to thank all the participants for their hard work as the work they are doing does not go unnoticed. District 4 looks forward to continuing to work with Dallas Area Habitat for Humanity to assist our District 4 constituents in every way possible.



RHCA 15th Annual Luna Awards



The Regional Hispanic Contractors Association (RHCA) hosted their 15th Annual Luna Awards celebrating women, women owned businesses, and advocating for women in the Architecture, Engineering, and Construction industries.

Commissioner Garcia would like to congratulate all the nominees, and the 2021 Luna Award Recipients, and thank John Martinez (President of the RHCA) and the sponsors for hosting such a wonderful event.

Janet Butcher Retirement Celebration

Commissioner Garcia would like to recognize and congratulate Janet Butcher on her retirement from Dallas County. Janet began her career with Dallas County in 1996 and completed 25 years of outstanding and dedicated service. Dallas County staff and colleagues celebrated Janet's retirement party and wished her farewell on her last day at Dallas County. Commissioner Garcia and District 4 wish Janet continued success in her future endeavors.



Upcoming Events

- **Commissioner's Court (Jan. 11th & Jan. 25th at 9:00 AM)**
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday (Dallas County Offices Closed Jan. 17th)**
- **Last Day to Register to Vote (Jan. 31st)**
- **Early Voting – March Primary (Feb. 14th – Feb. 25th)**
- **Election Day – March Primary (Mar. 1st)**

Quote of the Month

"If you can't fly then run, if you can't run then walk, if you can't walk then crawl, but whatever you do you have to keep moving forward." – Martin Luther King Jr.