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To every worker in Dallas County, thank you for your service, diligence, ethic, tenacity, and hard work. In what ever position you serve, whether it is construction work, government, medical, business, education, or social service, please know that the work you do is very valuable.

~Dr. Elba Garcia~

District 4 Town Hall Meeting



Please join me and other elected officials for a town hall meeting to:

- Learn about Dallas County Updates
- Share your ideas
- Be an active member of your community

WHEN: Wednesday, September 14th at 6PM

**WHERE: Oak Cliff Government Center
702 E. Jefferson Blvd. 75203**

(FREE PARKING GARAGE)

Welcome to Dallas Dr. Stephanie Elizalde

Welcome to Dallas Dr. Stephanie Elizalde! We are excited and honored to have such a trailblazing Latina continue leading the Dallas Independent School District students to success.



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Hispanic Heritage Month is observed annually from September 15 to October 15. It is a time to appreciate and celebrate the colorful cultures, rich histories, and diversity of the American Latino community.



Dallas County is a delicate fabric, weaved by diversity within ethnic groups, cultures and beliefs. A resolution recognizing National Hispanic Heritage Month will be presented at the Dallas County Commissioner's Court on Tuesday, September 7th and additionally invite everyone to the numerous events hosted around the County in an effort to revive and promote the Hispanic culture and traditions.

Monkeypox

What you need to know

Monkeypox cases have been identified in Dallas County. The *monkeypox virus* spreads between people primarily through direct contact with sores, scabs, or body fluids from an infected individual. Symptoms include fever, rash, and swollen lymph nodes. Some individuals will have mild or no symptoms, but still be infected. Talk to sexual partners about any monkeypox symptoms, including new or unexplained rash or lesion on either of your bodies.

When is someone contagious?

Disease can spread any time after symptoms start until the rash is fully healed and a fresh layer of skin has formed. The illness typically lasts 2-4 weeks.

What to do if you think you have monkeypox or have been exposed?

Contact your healthcare provider and get tested for monkeypox. If you have an active rash, let your healthcare provider know. Be sure to wear a mask, long pants, and a long sleeve shirt when you arrive for testing. Isolate at home until you have been cleared by your medical provider.

Symptoms

- Fever and chills
- Headaches
- Muscle aches, backache
- Swollen lymph nodes
- Exhaustion
- Rash, which can look like pimples or blisters that affect an area (face, inside mouth, hands, feet, chest, genitals, anus, torso)

Prevention

- Avoid any close, skin-to-skin contact with people who have a rash
- Limit cuddling, kissing, sexual intercourse
- Do not share eating utensils
- Wash hands often with soap and water

For more monkeypox information:
972-692-2780



Dallas County Planning & Development Replacement Housing Program



ONLY FOR RESIDENTS OF

**Cockrell Hill
Balch Springs
Seagoville
Wilmer
Hutchins**

Does your home have structural damage or continuous drainage and electrical problems that are too costly to repair?

Dallas County's Replacement Housing Program may be able to assist you in getting a brand-new home like the one shown above. To qualify, you must:

- Own and have clear title to the property with no liens or judgments.
- Have lived in your home for the past 5 years.
- Property taxes must be current.
- Your total household income must not exceed HUD's levels for low to moderate income.

If you are interested

Call us at 214-653-7627

Register to VOTE



The last day to register to vote is Tuesday, October 11, 2022, to be eligible to vote in the Tuesday, November 8, 2022, General Election.

Ways to Update or change your address/name are:

- Make the change on the back of the voter registration certificate and mailing it to the Dallas County Elections Department
- Submit a new application form to the Dallas County Elections Department and check the box for "change"
- Write a letter to the Dallas County Elections Department explaining the change of address
- Submit a change of name/address online

1520 Round Table Drive, Dallas, TX 75247

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Grand Fiestas Patrias Parade & Festival in Grand Prairie



As part of the celebrations for National Hispanic Heritage Month, I am honored to serve as the Grand Marshal for the Grand Fiestas Patrias Parade & Festival hosted by the Hispanic Heritage Ambassadors DFW. Please join us for a family fun day of Fiesta!

Saturday, September 17th

9AM - 2PM

Farmers Market

120 W. Main St. Grand Prairie, TX 75050