I want to express my gratitude to everyone that gave of their time to make this such a successful 2012 Corporate Challenge. It was a pleasure to have our Special Olympian Bryan Blanton well represented. Many thanks to everyone for also helping make National Night Out a great success. The Dallas Sheriff’s Department was strongly represented at various county celebrations. The future is bright as we reach another stepping stone with the launch of the upcoming wellness initiative. Because you spend so many hours protecting Dallas County, we want to assist in helping ensure you are around to enjoy your own healthy life for many years to come. - Sheriff Lupe Valdez

The long awaited medical modification project at North Tower is officially under way. The construction inside the Lew Sterrett Justice Center’s North Tower is scheduled for at least the next 18 months. On October 11, which happened to coincide with Sheriff Lupe Valdez’s birthday, county officials gathered along with project managers for the official launch.

“We at the Dallas Sheriff’s Department are beaming with pride for being able to put forth such an innovative facility to care for the population of the seventh largest jail in the nation,” said Sheriff Valdez.

The new medical care facility, also referenced as the med mod, will be three stories high. It will be constructed in two phases. Phase One will involve the renovation of the basement of North Tower where the jail pharmacy will be relocated. The new state-of-the-art pharmacy will dispense more medication a day than the pharmacy at Parkland Hospital. Already, approximately 17,000 new prescriptions are processed a month. No inmates will be housed on this floor. Only Parkland health employees for administrative, pharmacy and continuing education classroom purposes will occupy this floor.
Phase 2 will involve the construction of the ground and first floor for inmate housing. The ground floor will house the medical infirmary for acute care and step down inmates, as well as include negative pressure cells for those with airborne illnesses. This floor will also house the jail clinic where inmates will meet with doctors. The radiology and dental clinics will also be on this floor with future provisions for a CT imaging machine.

The first floor will be a mental health floor for inmates needing constant observation for crisis stabilization needs as well as mental health programs developed to attempt a transition from behavioral observation to general population housing. The medical care floor will house 137 male and female inmates. The mental health care floor will house 145 male and female inmates.

Since Parkland Hospital took over health care in the Dallas County jail in 2006, plans for improving access and care for those who need it has been a top priority. Sharon Phillips, Interim Chief Operating Officer for Ambulatory and Behavioral Health Services said this type of medical care will benefit everyone:

“As inmates enter and exit the jail system, their health, in turn, affects that of the community,” Phillips said. “The new infirmary marks a turning point for not only inmate health, but for the well being of Dallas.”

It is estimated that about half of the current jail population has a physical illness. About one-third are estimated to have a mental illness.

The med mod project, which is estimated to cost $48 million has already received national attention. During a recent trip, Department of Justice officials, praised the drastic medical care improvements at the Dallas County jail. Similar medical facilities may be the norm for some prisons, but it is rare to have one inside a county jail. Already, county officials have made presentations about the project at various conferences.
During an awards ceremony in October honoring employees for their good work during, Sheriff Lupe Valdez presented a medal of valor award to Sgt. Ajit Natt. The medal is presented to a Dallas Sheriff’s Department employees for their extraordinary heroism.

Just after midnight on April 22, 2012, Sgt. Natt was working an approved off-duty job at a Walmart Store in Garland when he was advised by customers about a verbal altercation in the parking lot. By the time Sgt. Natt made his way outside, there were four shots fired and many people running and screaming inside the store. Sgt. Natt immediately dialed 9-1-1 through his Bluetooth device to stay on the line. He found a male suspect inside a car commanding another male to drive off. During a lengthy series of events, Sgt. Natt kept his calm composure and secured the suspect with the assistance of William Carter, the store manager.

Without hesitation, Mr. Carter went to the parking lot and followed Sgt. Natt’s instructions to help secure the weapon away from the suspect. In addition, Mr. Carter also helped handcuff the suspect while Sgt. Natt was still able to stay in control of the situation. For his heroic assistance, the Dallas Sheriff’s Department also recognized Mr. Carter with a Citizens Certificate of Merit Award.

Dallas Sheriff’s Department Uniform Board Committee (SDUB)

The new Sheriff’s Department Uniform Board Committee (SDUB) is designed to help inform DSO personnel of uniform changes, as well as updates regarding the duty services uniforms and uniform appearance standards and policies.

Board’s Mission: To balance the Sheriff’s Department uniform and equipment needs for officers and personnel, within the department fiscal constraints and realistic supply cost, to ensure the Sheriff’s Department upholds the best possible professional uniform image.

All personnel, regardless of rank, has an opportunity to be heard through the SDUB process, by providing his/her recommendation request to his/her unit’s sergeant, supervisor or chief.

SDUB will now be the process to initiate all uniform changes. Each recommendation request forms that is forwarded to SDUB shall contain all appropriate supporting documentation and photographs or samples, when possible. Letters of recommendation requests shall also contain a complete description of the uniform change recommended and justification for which the recommendation request letter is being submitted.

For more information on the process or to download a copy of the request form, visit dallas-sheriff.com, under the employee section.
Wellness Initiative

Think Well, Be Well, Pass It On!

Everyone does it. You pledge to start working out more, cut back on the fast food and after a few days, game over. You call it quits.

We've got your back now. The Sheriff’s Health and Wellness Initiative is coming and it will be more than some informational flyers. In fact, get ready for a full quarterly newsletter filled with ways to make the journey to a healthier lifestyle a fun experience.

Your help is needed to get it all started. It will be an interactive and competitive journey from the bottom to the top. Email photos of you doing your healthy habit, whether it is opting to go for the fresh fruit option instead of the fries or dessert. And if you happen to have a healthy lunch meet-up, send that in.

Since it’s not all just about what you eat, but also about how you spend your free time, send in some of your favorite recreational spots: favorite public park to walk or jog, your preferred mall for a power walk, or your church exercise facility. Share the knowledge and pick up a workout buddy or two in return.

Once the initiative launches, we want to incorporate more interactive tools: video challenges, music playlist recommendations for workouts, etc. The sky is the limit.

Send your photos to sheriffmedia@dallascounty.org.

2012 Final Corporate Challenge Standings

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Back in August we kicked off the 2012 Richardson Corporate Challenge by attending the opening ceremony and winning a spirit stick. During the past three months, along with participating in the sporting competitions, we had a special day with our Special Olympian Bryan Blanton. We also entered the t-shirt contest, the spirit contest, and the cake decorating contest. For our efforts and almost 100% participation, we were awarded a gigantic spirit megaphone.
There was plenty to cheer about this last month in the Corporate Challenge. The women’s three-on-three basketball team took the gold medal. Congratulations! As you may recall, our other basketball team also earned gold back in August.

The softball team competed a week after the original weekend, as a result of the rain. The darts competition earned some more medals. Representing the mixed team: Joseph Percel and Shannon McElearney; the men's team: Andy Byrne (retiree) and Keith Dickson (spouse). Shooting for the women: Karen Coston and Sue Dickson (both employees). The women and men's teams both earned bronze medals!

Thank you to everyone for helping make this year's event possible!

#TeamDCSD
Several Dallas Sheriff's Department representatives took part in the dozens of National Night Out events across Dallas County. Sheriff Lupe Valdez made her rounds, as did the chiefs, stopping at two or three events in a matter of hours. This year's Citizens Academy, Class #7, attended an event hosted by the Creek Crossing Crime Watch group in Mesquite. The class members talked about their experience being part of the Dallas Sheriff's Department's Citizens Academy this fall. Also in attendance were some of the Kids and Cops officers signing autographs and passing out their personalized trading cards to children. The North Texas Auto Theft Task took part in the festivities as well.

National Night Out is designed to strengthen neighborhood and law enforcement community relations and generate support and participation in crime prevention efforts.
The Bridge to the Community’s Recognition Award Banquet will be rolling out the red carpet to recognize Dallas Sheriff’s employees, community leaders and businesses on March 15, 2013. The event will take place at the downtown Omni Hotel. Fox 4’s Clarice Tinsley will serve as emcee for the night.

There are many volunteer opportunities for anyone interested in joining one of the committees below. Simply contact one of the members.

2012 Committee Members

**Door Prizes:** Maggie Sanchez, Theressa Smith, Diane Harris, Elizabeth Smith

**Entertainment:** Crystal Brewer, Fonda Boyd, Ruthie McCain, Cheryl Wilson

**Media:** Yolanda Lara, David Williams

**Decorations:** Diane Bronar-Skipworth, Phillis Rodarte, Elizabeth Smith

**Fundraising:** Diane Bronar-Skipworth, Rosario Chavez, Diane Harris, Elizabeth Smith, Theressa Smith, Ann Robinson

**Skit/Performance:** Darren Hodge, Samuel Atkins

**Hospitality:** Audrey Williams

**Awards:** Cecilia Velasco

**Finance:** Rosalind Reeves

The Bridge will be hosting these upcoming events

**Nov 9:** Brisket sandwich lunch $6 (includes chips and bottled water) at the Central Intake Break Room. -additional cost for a variety of homemade deserts

Pre-order and be eligible for amazing door prizes!

**Nov. 16:** Baked potato w/ all the trimmings $5, add chopped beef for $6 (includes bottled water) -additional cost for a variety of homemade deserts. Location TBA

**Nov. 30:** Frito pie sale (includes bottled water) $5, additional cost for a variety of homemade deserts. Location TBA

**Pink Zebra Candles:** fundraiser is on now through Nov. 26. Perfect holiday gift idea! All materials made in America.

Note: Meal sales **DO** extend through Third Watch shift hours, so don’t miss out.

CONGRATULATIONS! Deputy Manual Gomez (shown on the right) . He won the $500 Visa gift card.

Ms. Edwards, CCC4 won the 2-night stay at the Omni Hotel.

Stay tuned for other events like the Pappadeux Seafood Kitchen evening mixer and dinner to be held in January at the Duncanville location in a reserved room.

All proceeds go to the Bridge to the Community. A charitable contribution will go to the Annual Joseph Bryant Christmas in the Community
CONGRATS

Oct. 23, 2012: Congrats to DSO Nancy Gonzalez, Transportation, and DSO Fernando Hernandez, Third Watch/Intake Section on the birth of their baby Santana Rico Hernandez!

GET WELL WISHES & DEATHS - Our prayers to all the families.

Sept. 28 & 29, 2012: Ronnie and Vickie Williams, parents of Deputy Youashavion Williams, Warrant Execution Section, were involved in an auto accident on Sept. 28. Mrs. Williams, 54, passed away Sept. 29 from injuries sustained in the accident. Mr. Williams is hospitalized in serious condition.


Oct. 6, 2012: Richard Slusher, father of Deputy Lori Meyers, Court Services/ Bailiff Section, passed away.

Oct. 9, 2012: Roy Weldon Frank, father-in-law of Captain Donald Pressnell, passed away. Mr. Frank retired from the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office in Jan. 2006.

Oct. 16, 2012: Esteban Salazar, father of DTO George Salazar, West Tower/2nd Watch, passed away.


48' X 68' throw to keep you warm, $35.00 each

Sheriff's one inch badge lapel pins $3.50 each or get 3 for $10
Contact: Marian Ogletree (214) 653-3462

Happy Halloween! First Watch: West Tower Style

West Tower 1st Watch kicks off the holiday season with Halloween fun and a hamburger feast early on Oct. 31st.

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For submission of a newsletter item:
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For the latest updates:
www.dallas-sheriff.com
Dallas Sheriff’s Citizens Academy
Sale Items

Knit Watch Cap
Black, Three Badge
One size Fits Most
Extra warm knit for those cold days.
$12.00

Coffee Cup
Large White, Three Badge
$12.00

Pocket or Purse Key Holder with Sheriff Badge
Can also be used as a money clip.
Highly Collectible and Custom Made!
Show Your Pride with this One-of-a-Kind!
Size: 1-3/4” x 2-1/2” – Brass Ring Included.
$25.00

Embroidered Blanket
50”x60” 100% Polyester
Colors: Navy Blue, Pink, Black, Purple or Gray
$32.00

Coolzde
Blue, for Cans or Bottle
Three Badges
$4.00

Insulated Tumbler
Three Badge, blue, with straw,
twist lock cover No condensation,
for hot or cold drinks. Do Not Microwave.
$10.00

Water Bottle
with black lid with red stripe Cover, lid for bottle
and adjustable shoulder strap.
$6.00

Folding Camp Chair, Black with Cup Holder. Nylon Carrying Case Included. Holds up to 200lbs. Back Rest Embroidered with Sheriff’s Badges - Removal for Showing Front or Back side.
$35.00

ID Badge Holder
with Retractable Reel
Water tight zip lock holder with 3 ft retractable reel.
$3.00

Executive Portfolio
Black Leatherette with Sheriff Badge
6-1/2”x11” Note Pad Included
Space for money, pen and Business Cards
$15.00

Our Newest Item!
Dallas County Sheriff's Challenge Coin
1.72” Diameter with Plastic Pouch and History of the Challenge Coins Included
$15.00 each

Also Available is a Beautiful Cherry Wood Presentation Case 3-3/8” Square by 1-3/8” High Closed. Black Velvet Lined. Magnetic Closure.
$10.00 each

Windshield Stickers
Size: 2-3/4”
Inside or Outside
Self Adhesive Application
Note: Inside or Outside May Not Always be Available
$5.00 Ea

Contact: Edmund Clark
214-951-7467

Sheriff’s Digital Photo Lab
2121 French Settlement, Dallas
Dallas Sheriff’s Citizens Academy

Sale Items

Black or Natural Canvas Tote Bags ~ $8.00
Black Canvas Tote Bag Single Badge ~ $8.00

Backpack
Black, 3 Badge
Medium-size bag with lots of storage space! 2 outside bottle holders, iPod pocket. Storage for pens and personal items. Large inside storage for books or lunch. Extra wide shoulder straps and hand carry strap.

Zippered Nylon Tote Bag
Black, Three Badge with zippered outside pocket. ~ $20.00

Nylon Briefcase
Black, 3 Badge
Lots of storage, key holder, zippered pockets, one velcro, 3 pen slots, file folder storage, weather flap with zippered storage, 2 outside pockets. Expandable, shoulder strap.

Medium & Large Nylon Black Duffle Bags
Large is 12”x10”x22” with three outside pockets, front is removable. Both have shoulder and hand straps. Medium bag is 9”x10”x16” with three outside zippered pockets.
Large ~ $50.00  Medium ~ $35.00

3 Badge T-Shirts
$11.00
Gildan Ultra Cotton
Sizes: M - XL - 2XL - 3XL
Colors: navy blue or black
Note: medium and 3XL black only

Lunch/Sack Nylon Cooler
$22.00
Black, Three Badge
Roomy cooler with plastic water-proof removable lining. Large front pockets and two side mesh pockets. Adjustable shoulder strap.

Cap, Black, 3 Badge
Winter Style: Cotton Leather Adjustable Strap. Summer Style: Nylon Mesh Velcro Adjustable Strap. $15.00

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