



March 2018

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County Commissioners Named Honorary Chairmen for AccessHealth's 6th Annual Community Challenge!

Fort Bend County Commissioners Grady Prestage of Precinct 2 and Vincent Morales of Precinct 1 are the Honorary Chairmen of the 6th Annual Community Challenge to be held Saturday, April 28th. Proceeds from the event help provide medical care to Fort Bends low-income and uninsured men, women and children.



In addition to softball and kickball tournaments, there will be some additions to the event for 2018, including a fajita cook-off and an expanded Kids Zone. The event will once again be held at the Missouri City Community Park at 1700 Glenn Lakes Lane with sporting events to begin at 8am and the fajita cook off to follow at 12 noon.

With clinics in Richmond, Stafford and

Stafford set for 25th Annual Citywide Pride Spring Clean Up!

The City of Stafford, along with Keep Texas Beautiful, will hold its 25th Annual City Wide Pride Spring Clean Up on April 14th from 9am - 1pm. The event is a part of Keep Texas Beautiful Don't Mess With Texas and The Great American Clean-Up. The event is sponsored by the City of Stafford, Keep Texas Beautiful, Texas Department of Transportation, and several local and corporate stakeholders.



The City is expecting upwards of 600 volunteers cleaning the streets for the event. For their hard work, volunteers will receive a T-shirt and free hot dogs and hamburgers. Awards will be given to teams and individuals for the Most Trash Collected per person, Most Unusual Trash

Missouri City, AccessHealth provides adult and pediatric medical care, dental and behavioral health, HIV and nutrition services regardless of patients' ability to pay. Ninety-nine percent of AccessHealth's patients are considered low-income, and 57% are uninsured. AccessHealth is the only provider in Fort Bend offering comprehensive health care services for a sliding scale, discounted fee.



The "Challenge Champs Underwriter" sponsor is Houston Methodist Sugar Land Hospital and the "Home Run" Sponsor is City of Missouri City. Also supporting the event to date are Community Health Choice as a "Sizzling Hot" Sponsor; Memorial Hermann and Health South Rehabilitation as "Dug Out" Sponsors; and City of Richmond as an "Umpire" Sponsor.

AccessHealth is a United Way agency, and the main Center in Richmond is recognized as a Patient-Centered Medical Home by the National Committee for Quality Assurance. For information on becoming a Community Challenge sponsor, or to register a softball or kickball team to compete in the tournament, please contact Sharonda DeBose at 281-633-3144 or sdebose@myaccesshealth.org.

Mamie George Branch Library Closes for Minor Renovations

Fort Bend County Libraries' Mamie George Branch Library, located at 320 Dulles Avenue in Stafford, closed Monday, March 12th, for minor renovations. The library is scheduled to remain closed for approximately two months.



Books checked out from the Mamie George Branch Library may be returned to any of the other branch libraries in the Fort Bend County library system during the period that the library is closed for renovations.

The pick-up location for items that have been requested and placed on hold for pick-up at the Mamie George Branch Library will temporarily default to the Sugar Land Branch Library, located at 550 Collected, Most Valuable Trash Collected, Most Recyclable Drink Containers Collected, Most Participants in a Group and The Oldest Trash Collector. They will also pay-off on the hidden surprise money bottles that teams may find for some extra spending money.





The City of Stafford is offering residents and businesses the opportunity to shred sensitive documents with a nationally certified contractor on the north side of City Hall throughout the duration of the event.

Residents will also be able to dispose of waste will be at their homes for curbside pickup. Waste collector WCA will send throughout their trucks the neighborhoods the day of the clean-up to pick-up only heavy trash. Residents are asked to have their heavy trash placed by the curb no later than 7am on Saturday. WCA will NOT accept paint, chemicals, batteries, regular household waste or car parts that day. Refrigerators and freezers will only be accepted once drained of coolant. Lumber, plywood, small tree limbs, and other such material must be cut into four-foot lengths and tied into bundles. Automobile batteries can be dropped off at Stafford Auto Supply at 2424 South Main. Regular garbage will not be picked up that day.

The Citywide cleanup will also provide residents and businesses to disposal of electronic waste. It is Chunk your Junk time for those old or broken computers, televisions, monitors, laptops, cell phones, keyboards and similar items. Residents will be able to drive through the City Hall's north side parking lot to unload their e-waste junk in the designated area. Items not excepted will be large appliances, thermometers, fire alarms/detectors or anything with sludge or liquid.

Keep Texas Beautiful

With the support of Firestone Tire and Service Center at 515 FM 1092, city crews will drive the neighborhoods to pick up used tires without rims. Un-rimmed old tires should be placed at the curb early Saturday morning, separate from other heavy trash. If residents have a large quantity of tires please call 281-261-3941 to make special arrangements for disposal. Tires will not be accepted at the Firestone Tire and Service Center without prior consent from the City of Stafford. For more information and volunteer opportunities, please call 281-261-3941.

Missouri City & H-GAC Partner to Update Regional Pedestrian

Eldridge, until the Mamie George Branch Library re-opens, unless the library patron chooses to select a different pickup location.

"We want to remind everyone that they still have access to many library resources online 24/7," said Clara Russell, Library Director. "The library's resources that can be accessed through our website – such as the databases, Homework Help, Ask-a-Librarian chat, OverDrive ebooks, the Hoopla digital movie and music collection, and other online services – will still be available from any computer outside the library that has an Internet connection."



Other libraries nearby include University Branch Library, the First Colony Branch Library, the Sugar Land Branch Library, or the Sienna Branch Library.

For more information, call the library system's Communications Office at **281**-**633-4734**.

Literacy Council of Fort Bend County Needs You!

Become an essential part of an adult student's life by signing up to be a tutor at the Literacy Council. Through training, volunteers are equipped to teach Basic Literacy, English as a Second Language (ESL), one-on-one tutor sessions to adults. The trainings prepare tutors to organize and compile lesson plans, and to understand the purpose of the Literacy Council of Fort Bend County's programs.



In addition to tutoring at the Literacy Council's main location in Sugar Land in all areas of ESL and one on one Basic Literacy volunteer tutors are needed.

Literacy Council of Fort Bend County Outreach Sites are in need of tutors in the Missouri City area for the mornings and early evenings for all ESL levels. The Richmond area, both morning and evening are in need for volunteer tutors, and mornings at George Memorial Library. Outreach locations allow tutors to be placed at a location near their home.

If you are interested in impacting someone's life by becoming a tutor, please contact Alisha Procter, Program Director for the Fort Bend Literacy Council at **281-240-8181**, or by email at aprocter@ftbendliteracy.org

and Bicycle Plan

Missouri City is joining the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) and surrounding agencies to update H-GAC's Regional Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan as part of the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan update. Residents can voice their opinion by filling out these pedestrian surveys:

- "I bike here" survey English / Spanish
- "I walk here" survey -<u>English</u> / <u>Spanish</u>

Throughout the past few years, H-GAC has been working with stakeholders to develop the **2040 Regional Pedestrian** and Bicycle Plan. The 2040 Regional Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan was adopted by the Transportation Policy Council on Jan. 22, 2015.



The Regional Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan is a long-range planning document that describes the greater-Houston region's vision for enhancing pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure within the eight-county Transportation Management Area (TMA). It supports the **2040 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)**, a long-range, multi-modal transportation plan that guides investment in all types of transportation infrastructure throughout the Houston-Galveston area.



The greater-Houston region is home to more than 6 million people who live in rural towns, suburban communities and dense urban centers. By 2040, this region is expected to have 3.2 million more residents. As the region grows, greater demand will be placed on our transportation system. Enhancing the region's pedestrian and bicycle network will provide greater transportation options for people of all ages and abilities, while improving public health and creating new economic development opportunities.

Learn more about the plan on H-GAC's website <u>HERE</u>.

Residents' Input Needed at Financial Forecast Symposium

Missouri City will host a Long-Range Financial Forecast on Thursday, April 5th

FBISD Host "All Star Talent Draft" Job Fair



Fort Bend ISD is seeking qualified and experienced individuals to join its winning team, and currently has openings for teachers, campus administrators, paraprofessionals, auxiliary support and central office staff.

Individuals interested in applying for any of these positions are invited to attend FBISD's 2018 "All Star Talent Draft" Job Fair on Saturday, April 7th, from 9am - 1pm, at Constellation Stadium (1 Stadium Drive, Sugar Land 77479).

FBISD school and department administrators will be on site to interview applicants and make offers of employment. Applicants are asked to bring multiple copies of their resumes and dress in business casual attire for the event. Children are not permitted at this event.

For additional inquiries, please email: Talent.Acquisition@fortbendisd.com.

Do You Have A Story? We'd Like to Hear from You!



This is your space! We want to hear from you, so send us your news. We may even publish your article in a future newsletter (although we reserve the right to edit for length and content). Try to keep your submissions to 150-200 words.

Submit articles to:
commpct2@fortbendcountytx.gov
Write away!

at 7 p.m. in the Community Center in City Hall Complex, 1522 Texas Pkwy.



The forum will feature an economic forecast for the region from Jon Hockenyos, President of TXP, Inc., an economic analysis and public consulting firm. Representatives from Missouri City will also provide an overview of the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget planning, public input and City Council adoption process. The Symposium will also offer an opportunity for residents citywide to share their input and feedback.



"Citizen education and engagement is critical for all City programs and services, and this financial forecast overview will be essential in assisting [Missouri] City staff in navigating our community's future," said City Manager Anthony J. Snipes. "As he did last year, Mr. Hockenyos will review the national, regional and local economic environment and present applicable trends that may impact Missouri City."

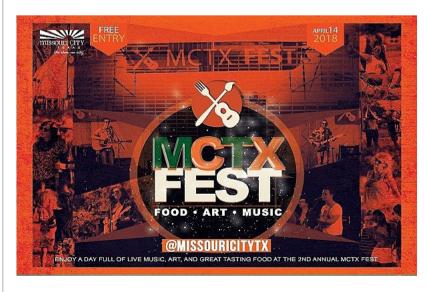
For more details and to RSVP attendance, please call **281-403-8500**.

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Saturday, April 14th

4pm – 9pm

Fort Bend County Sienna Annex grounds, 5855 Sienna Springs Way, Missouri City, TX



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