



Northeast Newsletter

Tarrant County Commissioner Gary Fickes - Precinct 3

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Holiday Edition (Condensed)

December 2021

A Special Holiday

COFFEE WITH THE COMMISSIONER

Friday, December 10, 2021
7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Start your day with us!

Northeast Courthouse
645 Grapevine Hwy.
Hurst, Texas 76054

Join us in the
Community Room



COMMISSIONER'S CORNER

The holiday season has arrived in record time this year! I send my belated wishes for a happy Hannukah to our Jewish community in Tarrant County. With Christmas quickly approaching, a reminder that it is a time for us to be thankful for many blessings. In turn, there are numerous people who are in need of the most basic necessities and services that we may take for granted. Keep in mind our area agencies and organizations who serve in many capacities this season.

I hope you can join us this Friday, December 10, from 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. for a special Christmas Coffee with the Commissioner in the Community Room at the Northeast Courthouse in Hurst. Come visit and network with others in our community while enjoying some treats and Christmas spirit.

Since this time of year promises time together with friends and family, there are several things you can do to protect yourself and your loved ones from the flu and other viruses. Please wash your hands regularly, stay at home if sick, and consider a flu vaccination especially if you are vulnerable to getting sick. View more information from [Tarrant County Public Health](#).

Looking on to 2022, I am excited that after a one-year pause, the Tarrant Transportation Summit returns with an incredible lineup you won't want to miss. We're so glad to be back! Join us on **Thursday, February 10, 2022** at the Hurst Conference Center for the 12th annual event which will feature the following topics and

speakers:

- Transformation of Texas' transit system
- Transportation and mobility outlook for North Texas
- State and regional demographic update

This year, we have an exciting, globally recognized keynote luncheon speaker, **Texas Comptroller Glen Hegar**. Hegar is Texas' chief financial officer – the state's treasurer, check writer, tax collector, procurement officer and revenue estimator – a job that is particularly important as the state continues its strong recovery from the dual impacts of the COVID pandemic and energy market volatility. With the recent passing of landmark federal infrastructure legislation, the relocation of numerous Fortune 500 companies to Texas, and unprecedented regional investment in mobility innovation, Comptroller Hegar will bring a much-needed state financial perspective to the 2022 Summit. Sponsorships are available and individual registration will be open soon! Visit www.TarrantTransportationSummit.com for additional information.

Tarrant County offices will be closed Friday, December 24 and Monday, December 27 in observance of the Christmas holiday. Offices will also be closed on Friday, December 31 in observance of New Year's Day. I wish you and your family a blessed Christmas season and a happy and prosperous New Year!

Gary Fickes

SAVE THE DATE

Tarrant Transportation Summit

Thursday,
February 10, 2022



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COUNTY HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

Christmas Holidays
December 24 & 27

New Years Eve
December 31



www.tarrantcounty.com



Precinct 3 Maintenance Center News December 2021



This past year has been a very busy year for our construction and maintenance crews. In Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 (October 2020 – September 2021), we completed 47 Interlocal projects (Rehabilitation and /or resurfacing) in 10 different cities (Bedford, Colleyville, Euless, Fort Worth, Haslet, Hurst, Keller, Richland Hills, Southlake, and Westlake). One highlighted project includes new road construction that extends John Day Road to connect Avondale Haslet Road and Blue Mound Road in Haslet. All projects were completed on schedule and within the estimated budgets. Our partnerships with the cities this past year yielded an estimated savings of \$3.70 million dollars to the cities in saved construction cost.

Additionally, we completed roadway projects (rehabilitation and/or resurfacing) on three county roadways within unincorporated Precinct 3, including the

widening and addition of turn lanes at the intersection of Bonds Ranch Road and Wagley Robertson Road. We also made roadway improvements and/or provided the needed maintenance within several historical cemeteries. Other County roadways received localized base repairs, crack seal and spot seals as preventative maintenance measures to protect and extend the life of the existing pavement. Overall, we closed out the fiscal year achieving all our planned objectives - another successful year.

Work is already well underway in FY 2022. Since October, we have completed eight rehabilitation projects in Watauga, one rehabilitation project in North Richland Hills, and four rehabilitation projects in Fort Worth, and we have just started the rehabilitation of Oak Grove Park Road in Grapevine. Currently, we are finishing up our last mowing cycle for the year, trimming back trees in the right of ways, cleaning ditches and culverts, and making localized roadway repairs on the County roadways.

FY 2022 is shaping up to be another very busy year with 73 requested Interlocal Roadway Projects so far. We are currently estimating the cost, preparing agreements and scheduling construction located throughout 13 Cities within Precinct 3 for construction in FY 2022. Overall our county roadways are in good condition, and we only have routine preventative

maintenance planned for the next year.

Quality workmanship, timely construction, good stewardship, citizen response, and partnering with our cities are some of the areas we strive to excel in serving the public. However, no value is more important to us than safety – both of our employees and the traveling public. We continuously discuss, train, and emphasize safety on every project, every day, and in everything we do. On October 29th, we held our annual Truck “Rodeo.” For this event our equipment operators practice maneuvering dump trucks through several obstacle courses that mimic driving and construction situations to further develop and improve their driving, backing, and communication skills. The event concluded with a competition for top driver, awards, and lunch.

As always, your safety and the safety of our crews are of the utmost importance. When encountering any type of roadway construction or maintenance, please be patient, drive slowly through the construction area, and be keenly aware of the equipment and personnel working around you to make your commute safer long after they are complete.

*Article courtesy of Richard Schiller,
Director of Field Operations,
Precinct 3 Maintenance Center*



Congratulations to the TOP 3 “TRUCK ROADEO” WINNERS!



Pictured from left: Anthony Jaramillo, Assistant Director of Field Operations; Jack Roach (3rd Place Winner); Bernard Jackson (2nd Place Winner); Matt Byles (1st Place Winner); Richard Schiller, Director of Field Operations, Precinct 3 Maintenance Center.



DOLLARS AND SENSE

Will transportation investment and mobility innovation bring enduring prosperity to Texas?

After a one-year pause, the Tarrant Transportation Summit, presented by Tarrant County Commissioner Gary Fickes and the TRTC, returns with an incredible lineup you won't want to miss. **We're so glad to be back!**

Thursday, February 10, 2022

8:00 am – 1:30 pm

Hurst Conference Center • 1601 Campus Drive, Hurst, Texas

This program includes

- Transformation of Texas' transit system
- Transportation and mobility outlook for North Texas
- State and regional demographic update
- Special presentation from the Texas Comptroller

Sponsor information coming soon.

For details, please contact Devin Sanders at dwsanders@tarrantcounty.com



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Tarrant 12TH ANNUAL
Transportation Summit





Area Assistance Programs

2-1-1 Help

www.unitedwaytarrant.org/2-1-1
2-1-1 or 877-541-7905

6Stones

www.6stones.org
817-868-7400

Catholic Charities - Fort Worth

www.catholiccharitiesfortworth.org
817-534-0814

Center for Transforming Lives

www.transforminglives.org
817-332-6191

Community Action Partners

www.fortworthtexas.gov/cap
817-392-5720

Community Enrichment Center

www.cechope.org
817-281-1164

Community Food Bank

www.food-bank.org
817-924-3333

Community Storehouse

www.communitystorehouse.org
817-431-3340

DFW Toys for Tots

www.dfwtoysfortots.org
214-330-2828

Fort Worth Hope Center

www.fwhope.org
817-451-6288

GRACE

www.gracegrapevine.org
817-488-7009

Meals on Wheels Tarrant County

www.mealsonwheels.org
817-336-0912

Metroport Meals on Wheels

www.metroportmow.org
817-491-1141

MHMR

www.mhmrtarrant.org
817-335-3022

Mid-Cities Care Corps

www.midcitiescarecorps.org
817-282-0531

Mission Central

www.missioncentraltx.org
817-595-0011

NEED

www.need-tarrant.com
817-280-0286

One Safe Place

www.onesafeplace.org
817-916-4323

SafeHaven

www.safehaventc.org
1-877-701-7233

Samaritan House

www.samaritanhouse.org
817-332-6410

Tarrant Area Food Bank

www.tafb.org
817-857-7100

Tarrant Cares

www.tarrantcares.org

The Christmas Wish Project

www.christmaswishproject.com
817-925-3264

The Gatehouse

www.gatehousegrapevine.com
817-912-0317

The Salvation Army

www.salvationarmydfw.org
817-624-3111

The Women's Center

www.womenscentertc.org
817-927-4000

Union Gospel Mission

www.ugm-tc.org
817-339-2553

FREE Dental, Vision, and Health Services
December 11-12, 2021

13901 Aviator Way, Fort Worth, TX 76177
6 A.M to 6 P.M.

JOIN US IN MAKING TEXAS HEALTHIER



-HSC and Remote Area Medical — RAM® — a major nonprofit provider of pop-up clinics delivering free, quality dental, vision, and medical care to underserved and uninsured individuals are bringing a free clinic to Fort Worth.

The free clinic will provide dental, vision, and medical services to patients on a first-come, first-served basis. All RAM services are free and no ID is required.

-The University of North Texas Health Science Center is proud to partner with RAM to provide these crucial medical services to our community.

EVENT DETAILS



- December 11 & 12, 2021
- First-come, first-served
- All RAM services are free of cost
- No ID required

SERVICES OFFERED



- Adult/Pediatric Dental Services
- Adult/Pediatric Medical Services
- Adult/Pediatric Vision Services
- Women's Health Services

To learn more about the event, visit: unthsc.edu/ram
To learn more about RAM, visit: ramusa.org

For Spanish version [click here](#)
For Vietnamese version [click here](#)





Happy Holidays!

*To all our Tarrant County employees,
we want to express how grateful we are
for each one of you,
and to let you know we appreciate all you do.
Especially your assistance to the
residents of Tarrant County.
Wishing everyone the happiest of Holidays
and all the best in the New Year!*

Thank You!

NETC Seniors Rock Initiative



Northeast Courthouse



Transportation Summit



Empowering Seniors Wellness Seminar

