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Manny Ramirez
Commissioner Pct. #4

A Message from Commissioner Manny Ramirez



Fall has officially begun and while the temperature will soon begin cooling down, our momentum in northwest Tarrant County remains red hot. We have made incredible progress on lowering taxes and moving critical infrastructure projects forward while making historic investments in law enforcement, road crews and maintenance equipment.

Our priorities continue to be on public safety, roads and bridges. We need to not only catch up to our incredible growth, but to plan for the next 50 years. Recently, we were able to secure more than \$50 million dollars in funding for Precinct 4 that will provide needed relief to our congested roadways. In addition, we funded necessary salary increases to our hardworking maintenance facility employees and purchased construction equipment that will improve road maintenance efficiency and productivity.

We also made historic investments in Tarrant County Law Enforcement by allocating the largest salary increase in their history and approving signing bonuses to boost our workforce.

In addition to our incredible progress on transportation and investments in public safety, I voted to take historic steps to protect our Tarrant County taxpayers. We made history this year when we provided the largest tax cut ever in Tarrant County. By adopting a tax rate below “no-new revenue”, we ensured that you will pay less taxes to Tarrant County in 2024, regardless of your home appraisal. We accomplished this historic feat without any negative impact to operations and with increased investment in our local municipalities.

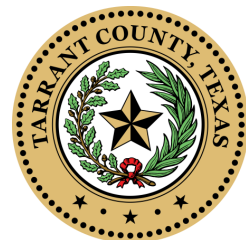
The past few months have been spent visiting with our local business owners and understanding how we can do more to increase economic development in our region. I know that capitalism is the engine that drives our communities, and I remain committed to making sure we have great paying jobs and workforce education in Tarrant County.

Our office continues to be blessed to help Tarrant County citizens every day. Please remember that no concern is ever too small for our office and that our team will do everything that we can to provide assistance!

Manny R. Ramirez

Commissioner

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Event Recap



SENIOR SYNERGY EXPO

On August 31st, County Judge Tim O'Hare hosted the 10th Annual Senior Synergy Expo in downtown Fort Worth's Will Rogers Exhibit Hall. This year, a record-breaking 2500 participants attended, and over 130 vendor booths provided valuable information, free health screenings, workshops, giveaways, cooking demos, magic shows, and live music!



Commissioner Ramirez and his staff were able to arrange transportation for seniors from Precinct 4 to go to the event, thanks to generous support from Cummings Electrical and Reynolds Asphalt. For the first time, members of Saginaw, Haltom City, and Lake Worth Senior Centers were able to ride in style thanks to the professional services of AJL International buses and their drivers. Our office takes pride in facilitating this memorable experience for our seniors and we look forward to next year's Expo. If you need assistance connecting with your local Senior Center, please contact our office at 817-238-4400.



Highlights from Precinct 4

The Tarrant County Commissioners Court adopted a FY24 tax rate that is LOWER than the No New Revenue Rate for both Tarrant County and the JPS Hospital District.



LARGEST TAX CUT IN TARRANT COUNTY HISTORY

REDUCES FY24 TARRANT COUNTY TAX RATE BELOW NO-NEW REVENUE RATE

REDUCES FY24 JPS HOSPITAL DISTRICT TAX RATE BELOW NO-NEW REVENUE RATE



Commissioner Ramirez had an incredible time learning about one of America's most storied and successful businesses, BNSF Railway.

We are blessed that they have chosen to establish their headquarters in the heart of Tarrant County.



Commissioner Ramirez had a great time meeting with Lockheed Martin leadership to discuss the critical role they play in America's national defense.

This incredible Tarrant County company employs more than 18,000 hardworking Texans and has provided more than \$8 billion in economic impact to North Texas.



Save Silver Creek Update

Our office was notified by a group of concerned citizens about an application for a landfill permit at 3411 Silver Creek. After careful research and listening to the concerns of the residents potentially affected by this development, Commissioner Ramirez reached out to Representative Charlie Geren. Through a united effort we were able to petition the TCEQ to hold a public hearing to allow citizens to voice their concerns to the commission in a public hearing. We will continue our efforts to protect our community and hope you will join us at this hearing.

The hearing will be held Tuesday, December 5, 2023, in the Brewer High School Auditorium, 1025 W. Loop 820 N, Fort Worth, 76108, time: TBD.



Commissioner Ramirez had a wonderful time at “Coffee with the Commissioner” at the City of Saginaw, Senior Center.

It was great to spend some time getting to know our seniors and answering great questions about infrastructure and development. Our seniors are active, engaged, and tremendous leaders in our community.

Recently, Commissioner Ramirez had the honor of visiting the **Tarrant Area Food Bank**. This incredible organization provides more than 1 million meals per week to our most vulnerable community members.

Serving 13 counties, the TAFB is the nations leading food supplying non-profit. We are proud to have them in Tarrant County.



Commissioner Ramirez had the privilege of meeting with the City of White Settlement Senior Center as the celebrated 45 years of service to their community!

It was great to share some of the incredible programs we have and to explore the opportunities for expanded partnership. We are committed to providing our seniors every resource they need to thrive in Tarrant County.



Last month, Commissioner Ramirez travelled to Edmonton, Alberta Canada, to serve as a Board Member for the 2023 NASCO Network Continental Reunion. This organization is building on the promise of a stronger North America by streamlining intercontinental trade and strengthening our work force.



Bonds Ranch Fire

Unified Response to Bonds Ranch Brush Fire



Tarrant County Precinct 4 Constable and Maintenance Employees help with traffic control during the Bonds Ranch Brush Fire.

On the afternoon of July 19th, with temperatures reaching as high as 106°, a construction company cutting rebar northwest of Bonds Ranch Rd & Saginaw Blvd, sparked a massive grassfire. The 20 mph winds coupled with 17% humidity caused the grassfire to spread so rapidly that the construction crew had no choice but to call 911 for help! This intense emergency presented a significant challenge but ultimately showcased the collaboration between municipal, state, and county partners, highlighting the effectiveness of their response.

Details of the fire:

According to the Texas A&M Forest Service, 184 acres of land were damaged by the fire. Six homes and approximately four other structures were at risk during the blaze, but thankfully none were harmed. One Tarrant County Brush Truck battling the fire did sustain minor damage. The 9-1-1 call was received at 3:35 P.M., and just 8 minutes later over a dozen fire units were on the scene. By 8:05 P.M. the fire was contained and fire units were able to issue an “End of Alarm” call for the situation.



Texas A&M Forest Service Fire Boss Aircraft releasing water on the fire.



Teamwork:

- Several Firehouses responded: Saginaw, Eagle Mountain, Blue Mound, Haslet, White Settlement, Azle, Briar/Reno, Lake Worth, Fort Worth, North Richland Hills, Haltom City, Rhome, Justin, and a Denton County Task Force which was made up of Roanoke, Flower Mound, Little Elm, Southlake, Denton County ESD #1 and Denton.
- Texas A&M Forest Service provided 3 Fire Boss Aircraft each carrying 3,000 gallons of water along with 2 bulldozers, while their public information officer assisted with the media.
- County Commissioner Manny Ramirez deployed Precinct 4 maintenance personnel & heavy equipment.
- Tarrant County Sheriff's Office & Constable's Office assisted with traffic control & evacuation.
- Tarrant County Fire Marshal's office coordinated the incident & available resources.
- Tarrant County Office of Emergency Management notified the State Operations Center & was on standby to provide additional resources when/if needed.
- Haslet/Saginaw Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) provided a 'Rehab' station for all first responders to hydrate, cool off & sit down to rest during the extreme heat conditions at hand.

This well-organized, decisive coordination among state & local fire departments, law enforcement agencies, and emergency management offices played a crucial role in preventing a dangerous situation from becoming even more destructive.

Tarrant County is strongest when county, state, and municipal organizations work together to solve problems. We stand united and ready as partners to protect our community from any future challenges that may arise.



Aerial View of the Bonds Ranch Brush Fire.

Thankfully at the end of the day, no injuries were reported!



Upcoming Projects

Interlocal Agreements

Eagle Mountain ISD

Gilliland Elementary School
Crack Seal

Azle

Wells Burnett
Reconstruct

Lakeside

Mary Jane Lane
Approach to Old Gate Road
Mill/Overlay
Silver Creek Road
Road widen, pothole patch, Crack Seal
Lakeridge Rd, Paint Brush Rd.
Crack Seal

River Oaks

Black Oak, Almena, Long Ave.
Reconstruct/Overlay
Black Oak and Almena
Mill/Overlay

Saginaw

Saddle Trail
Mill/Overlay

County Projects

County Loop Rd

Reconstruct/Overlay
Low traffic impact

N. County Rd

Reconstruct/Overlay
Moderate traffic impact

N. Water Tower Rd

Reconstruct/Overlay
Moderate traffic impact

Silver Creek Azle Rd

Reconstruct/Overlay
Major traffic impact



*To place a request for non-hazardous concerns, call (817) 306-4000 to verbally express your concerns or submit a concern through our website:
pct4CitizenReq@Tarrantcountytx.gov.*

This website is not an emergency reporting system. If your issue or concern involves an immediate risk to life or personal safety, call 9-1-1 immediately.

Precinct 4 Employee Spotlight



Meet Earl Campbell, a valued member of the Tarrant County Precinct 4 team for the past 14 years. Earl was recently promoted to the Mechanic II position, responsible for the vital tasks of fueling, inspecting, and maintaining the precinct's heavy road equipment.

Earl's reliability goes beyond his technical skills; his positive attitude fosters a constructive work environment among the equipment operators and maintenance staff. Recently taking on new responsibilities, Earl's seamless transition into his role showcases his commitment to the team's success.

Beyond work, Earl finds joy in spending time with his wife and family. Known for his willingness to assist others, his daily contributions are a vital part of what makes Precinct 4 the best road crew in Texas.

Join us in recognizing Earl Campbell for his dedicated service in keeping Precinct 4's operations running smoothly. His hard work and dedication don't just maintain machinery – they embody the spirit of our community.

Thank you Earl!

FEMA Test Alert

Wednesday, October 4th, 2023, Text Messages will be sent to all TVs, Radios and Cell Phones.

FEMA, in coordination with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), will conduct a nationwide test of the Emergency Alert System (EAS) and Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA) this fall.

The purpose of the October 4th test is to ensure that the systems continue to be effective means of warning the public about emergencies, particularly those on the national level. In case the October 4th test is postponed due to widespread severe weather or other significant events, the back-up testing date is October 11th.



FEMA

Upcoming Events

- Oct 7** 11th Annual Bullfrog West Fest.....<http://www.facebook.com/bullfrogwestfest/>
- Oct 9** Building Bridges 2nd Annual Golf Tourney Birdease.com/bblrc
- Oct 12- Oct15** Christmas in Cowtown.....<http://member.juniorleaguefw.org/?nd=cowtown>
- Oct 14** 5th Annual Tunnel to Towers Fort Worth 5K Run & Walk.....facebook.com/T2TFortWorth
- Oct 19** Precinct 4's Annual United Way Fish Fry.....facebook.com/MannyRamirezTX
- Oct 20** Cowtown Ball.....<http://www.facebook.com/fwcowtownball>
- Oct 21** Saginaw Train & Grain Festival 2023.....<http://www.saginawtrain-grain.com>
- Oct 27** Senior's Jamboree Picnic at Capp Smith Park.....haltomcitytx.com/247/Senior-Center
- Nov 10** Veterans Day.....
- Nov 19** GM Financial Parade of Lights.....<http://fortworthparadeoflights.org>
- Nov 23** Thanksgiving Day.....
- Dec 2** White Settlement Light the Night Christmas Parade.....wstx.us/calendar
- Dec 25** Christmas Day.....
- Jan 1** New Years Day.....





SENIOR CENTER
CITY OF SAGINAW

FUNDRAISER
FOR OUR ANNUAL
THANKSGIVING MEAL

CRAFT ITEMS
MADE WITH
LOVE

cash only

Stop by the Saginaw Senior Center
MONDAY- FRIDAY 9AM- 4PM
NOVEMBER 1ST -NOVEMBER 14TH
to purchase craft items, bid on silent auction
items and/or purchase quilt raffle tickets
633 West McLeroy Blvd Saginaw, TX 76179



Hand Carved



Dog Scarfs

CRAFT ITEMS FOR SALE



Apron



Wreaths

QUILT RAFFLE

SIZE 64" x 82"



John Wayne
Cast Iron Set



Oster
Toaster





3 out of 20+ SILENT AUCTION ITEMS

?S: CALL 817.230.0350



Holiday

CRAFT FAIR

SATURDAY
October 14th, 2023
9am - 2pm

Haltom City Senior Center
3201 Friendly Ln.
817-834-8021

* Silent Auction * Bake Sale * Lunch *

For Vendor Opportunities Please Call 817-455-0298



National Night Out Events



- Oct 3** Azle National Night Out.....<http://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064834475085>
- Oct 3** Fort Worth National Night Out.....<http://police.fortworthtexas.gov>
- Oct 3** Haltom City National Night Out.....<http://www.facebook.com/HaltomCityPoliceDept>
- Oct 3** Lake Worth National Night Out.....<https://www.facebook.com/LWPD16/>
- Oct 3** River Oaks National Night Out.....<http://www.facebook.com/riveroakspolice>
- Oct 3** Saginaw National Night Out.....<http://www.facebook.com/saginawpolice/>
- Oct 3** Sansom Park National Night Out.....<http://www.facebook.com/SansomParkPD>
- Oct 3** White Settlement National Night Out.....wstx.us/calendar

Halloween



- Oct 5** Westworth Village Community Fall Festival.....<http://www.facebook.com/cityofwestworthvillage>
- Oct 15– Oct31** First Baptist Azle Pumpkin Patch.....<https://www.facebook.com/firstbaptistazle>
- Oct 26** Lake Worth Trunk or Treat.....<https://www.facebook.com/lwtxcity/>
- Oct 28** White Settlement PAWS Halloween.....wstx.us/calendar
- Oct 28** Blue Mound Halloween Bash.....bluemoundtexas.gov/halloween-bash-event/
- Oct 28** TCSO Family Alliance Trunk or Trick.....<http://www.facebook.com/TCSOFamilyAlliance>
- Oct 29** Trunk or Treat @ FW North Tri-Ethnic Community Center.....
.....<https://www.fortworthtexas.gov/departments/parks/services/community-centers/north-tri-ethnic-community-center>
- Oct 29** Lakeview Fellowship Fall Fair.....<http://www.facebook.com/lakeviewfellowship>



Upcoming County Holidays
 November 23rd-24th – Thanksgiving
 December 22nd & 25th – Christmas
 January 1st - New Year's Day

Business in the North West

2023 NORTHEAST TARRANT BUSINESS & CATERING EXPO

Biz
EXPO

The Northeast Tarrant Annual Business & Catering Expo is the opportunity for you to meet and mingle with Chamber Members and find more out about the tremendous businesses and organizations right here in Northeast Tarrant County. You'll meet great entrepreneurs and business owners, get cool giveaways, and sample fantastic food from our local restaurants and caterers!

10-11am: Exhibitor Setup
11am-1:00pm: BIZ EXPO Open

BUSINESS BOOTH - \$125 Registration
RESTAURANT/CATERER BOOTH - No Cost

Registration for attendees is FREE! If you are planning on attending, please register so the Chamber can get a good idea of the attendance for food counts.

NET CHAMBER: 36TH ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

Monday, October 30, 2023 10:30 AM - 4:30 PM
Ridglea Country Club
3700 Bernie Anderson Avenue
Fort Worth, TX 76116



Join your fellow Chamber businesses for a day of fun competition on the golf course and help raise funds for the community programs of the NET Chamber!

Your golf entry includes: 18-hole team scramble, pre-tournament breakfast, post-tournament awards meal, CASH prizes, on-course contests, lots of raffle items, and more!

9:00 am - Registration and Breakfast - Driving Range Open

10:30 am - Shotgun Start

Title Sponsors - Herron's Homes | Medical City North Hills | Cart Sponsor - Santander Consumer USA

Northeast Tarrant Chamber of Commerce



5001 Denton Highway, Haltom City, TX 76117
817-281-9376

info@netarrant.org

www.netarrant.com

Monthly Luncheon held on the third Thursday of the month.

Education Station



Johnathan Almodovar

National Champion in Automotive Maintenance and Light Repair

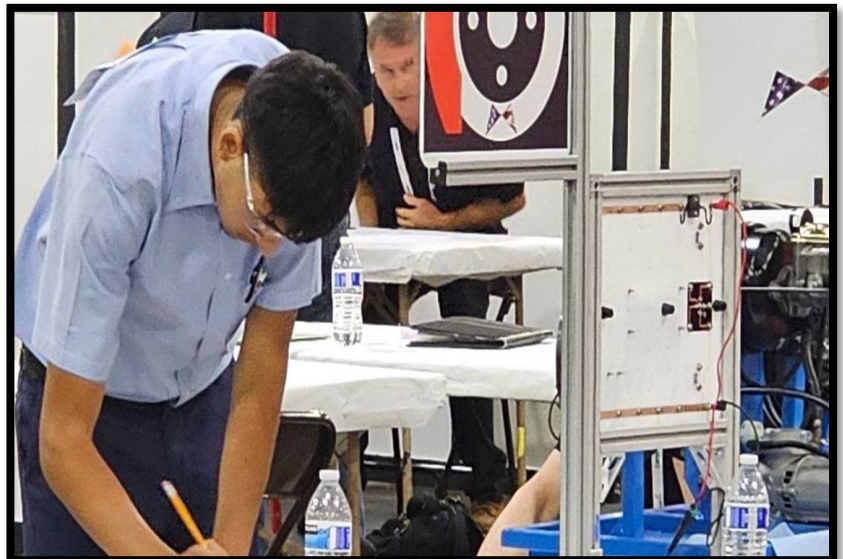
Precinct 4 is home to some of the most talented students in Tarrant County and we couldn't be more proud of this issue's outstanding student scholar!

Mr. Johnathan Almodovar, a Senior at Saginaw High School and Automotive Technology student at Hollenstien Career & Technology Center (HCTC), earned 1st Place & the title of National Champion at this year's SkillsUSA National Competition in Atlanta, Georgia! Precinct 4 is proud to have had this young man represent Texas at the National level. It's because of individuals like Johnathan Almodovar that Tarrant County has a bright future in innovation and technologically advanced fields. Thank you to his automotive instructor, Mr. Ernie Cruz, for all you do for the students at EMSISD!

Congratulations from Commissioner Manny Ramirez and his staff on an outstanding performance. We are looking forward to your many successes in life and the automotive industry!

Did you know?

The automotive shop is open to the public! The center offers routine maintenance services on your vehicle throughout the school year. Proceeds from these services go towards buying more tools & equipment to better their program! Time & space are limited, if you would like to schedule an appointment between 9-4pm, Monday through Friday, contact Mr. Ernie Cruz by emailing him at ecruz@ems-isd.net



Youngest Minds



Wisest Souls

Youth Centers

Boys & Girls Club

North FW Branch, 817-624-8406
Las Vegas Trail, 817-420-0657
bgcgtc.org

Golden Gloves Youth Ctr.

817-336-1313
Texasgoldengloves.com

Lions Youth Sports Association

817-437-6268
Leaguelineup.com

Northwest YMCA

817-237-7237
YMCA Camp Carter
817-738-9241
Ymcafw.org

Saginaw Youth Association

secretarysya@yahoo.com
leagues.bluesombrero.com

Senior Centers

City of Azle Senior Center

817-444-0070
cityofazle.org
facebook.com/azleseniorcenter

Haltom City Senior Center

817-834-8021
haltomcitytx.com

L.O. Bud Irby Senior Center

817-237-3281
lakeworthtx.org

Saginaw Senior Center

817-230-0459
ci.saginaw.tx.us

White Settlement Senior Center

817-246-6619
wstx.us

Community Spotlight

Our pets, whether they have fur, hairless, have feathers or scales, they're all considered part of our family. Their unconditional love can do more for you than just keep you company, their presence may also decrease anxiety, stress and even improve your overall heart health! Besides, there's nothing like coming home from a long hard day, to someone who has waited to see you all day long! Yet there are so many other dogs and cats at our local shelters sleeping on cold hard concrete floors waiting months on end for their human family to come rescue them. If you have ever been rescued by one of these sweet animals, thank you! If you're considering adding a pet to the family, please consider visiting your local shelters. Become a foster family, volunteer to take the dogs for walks, donate treats and toys, or even better; adopt them to be a part of your family!

Here are just a few local shelters in Tarrant County:

- Lake Worth Animal Shelter 817-238-8738
- Saginaw Animal Shelter 817-230-0460
- Fort Worth North Animal Care and Adoption Campus 817-392-1234



County Resources

Precinct Four Facilities

Northwest Sub Courthouse

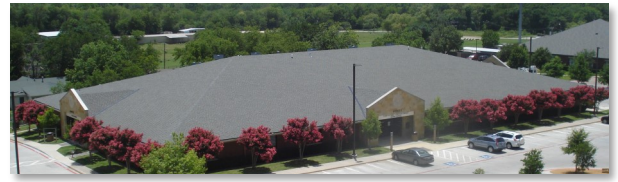
6713 Telephone Road
Lake Worth, TX 76135



- Commissioner.....817-238-4400
- Constable817-238-4410
- County Clerk.....817-238-4420
 - Birth Certificates
 - Death Certificates
 - Marriage Licenses
- County Clerk—Passport.....817-238-4457
- Justice of the Peace.....817-238-4425
- Tax Office.....817-238-4436
 - Property Tax
 - Vehicle Registration
 - Handicap Placard
- Tarrant County Credit Union.....817-884-1470

Northwest Sub Courthouse Annex

3800 Adam Grubb Rd
Lake Worth, TX 76135



- Community Supervision and Corrections
 - Department817-238-4405
 - Juvenile Services-Probation.....817-238-4431
 - Public Health.....817-238-4441
 - WIC Clinic.....817-238-4455
 - Child Protective Services.....817-237-9488

Sheriff's Department

North Patrol Division

6651 Lake Worth Blvd
Lake Worth, TX 76135
817-238-4200





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pct4citizenreq@tarrantcountytx.gov

Monday - Friday, 6A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

Northwest Subcourthouse

6713 Telephone Rd., Suite 301

Fort Worth, Texas 76135

817-238-4400

commissionerpct4admin@tarrantcountytx.gov

Monday - Friday, 8A.M. - 5 P.M.



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