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**Commissioner
Manny Ramirez**

Commissioner's Corner

Message from the Commissioner



Spring is a season of growth, and that spirit is alive and well here in Precinct 4. I've been profoundly honored by the opportunities and moments this season has brought—from being appointed Chairman of the Texas Juvenile Justice Department to standing alongside our veterans, law enforcement, and community leaders in meaningful ways.

Recognizing American hero Corporal Don Graves and honoring the incredible service of Tarrant County Sheriff's Deputy Todd Tipton reminded me why public service matters so deeply. These are the people who define our values; courage, sacrifice, and commitment. We also welcomed new resources to help protect our communities, like the Bearcat

vehicle for our Sheriff's Office, and I've had the chance to advocate for our region both in Austin and in Washington, D.C., ensuring our voice is heard where it counts.

This edition includes a look back at our Veterans event, our push for literacy, and the pride we feel in earning all six Transparency Stars for accountability in government. Also, I couldn't be prouder of the Boswell Girls' Basketball team for bringing home the state championship—those young women made our community proud.

Thank you for staying involved and allowing me to represent the values that make Precinct 4 such a special place.

Respectfully,

Manny R. Ramirez
Commissioner
Tarrant County, Texas





Operation Rescue BEVO

When a strong winter storm hit Tarrant County in January, the Precinct 4 Road and Bridge team mobilized quickly to keep our roads safe and passable. Crews worked long hours in freezing conditions, sanding and clearing key routes across the precinct to ensure access for residents, emergency services, and essential travel.

Their professional response was critical to maintaining public safety during the storm, and their work didn't go unnoticed. Among the many calls that came in during the weather event was one from the University of Texas at Austin. BEVO, UT's mascot, was staying at a ranch in Precinct 4 and needed to be transported to the national championship game. Due to the icy roads, UT staff couldn't reach him—until our crews stepped in to clear the way.



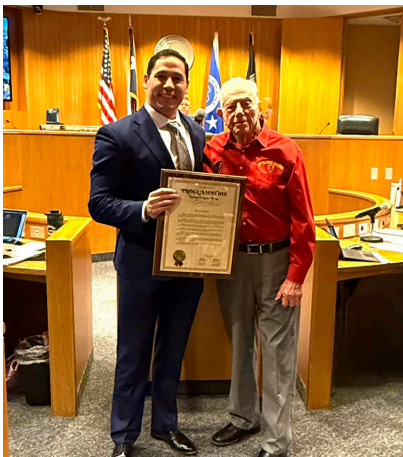
It was a great reminder that our team doesn't just serve roadways—they serve people. Whether it's helping our neighbors get to work or helping BEVO get to the big game, Precinct 4 is always ready to respond when needed. Their dedication kept Tarrant County moving when it mattered most. We're proud of their professionalism and commitment to serving the public; no matter the conditions.



Highlights from Precinct 4

Commissioner Ramirez had the incredible honor to be appointed by Governor Greg Abbott as the next Chairman of the Board of the Texas Juvenile Justice Department.

He states: "I look forward to working alongside our outstanding board to further strengthen TJJD and set a national standard for excellence." Public safety will always remain a top priority. By working together, we will ensure that our partner agencies and the youth we serve receive the support and services they deserve.



Commissioner Ramirez had the distinct honor of recognizing a Tarrant County living legend for his service to our country.

Corporal Don Graves signed up to serve in the United States Marine Corps when he was 17 years old. He fought in the battle of Iwo Jima during World War 2 and is one of the few men from his unit to return alive.

He now spends his time motivating veterans and first responders all across the nation.

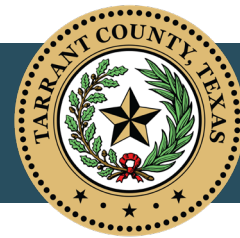
Don turns 100 on May 3rd.

Thank you for your service!



It was great to see so many of our Tarrant County business leaders in Austin for the Fort Worth Chamber organized Tarrant County Days. We are looking forward to working with them alongside our partners in the Texas House and Senate to ensure that Tarrant County has a great legislative session.





In 2022, Tarrant County Sheriff's Office Deputies faced a dangerous situation when an armed suspect opened fire on them with a rifle, forcing them to seek cover behind their patrol vehicles. The delayed arrival of up-armored backup resulted in one deputy being shot in the helmet during the ambush.

Recognizing the need to enhance the safety of our law enforcement officers, Tarrant County has taken a significant step forward. Last December marked a historic moment as we welcomed the arrival of the first Bearcat Armored Vehicle in TCSO history. This new addition equips our deputies with enhanced protection, empowering them to effectively respond to high-risk scenarios and safeguard both themselves and the community they serve. In Tarrant County, our commitment to supporting and prioritizing the safety of our law enforcement personnel remains unwavering.



The Tarrant County Commissioners Court was proud to present a resolution honoring our incredible Tarrant County Sheriff's Office Deputies from the Warrants Division for their valor, bravery, and courage under fire during a shootout in August of 2024.

We displayed the actual shield that took more than 7 rounds during the shooting and were able to recognize Deputy Todd Tipton, who was shot three times during this incident and survived. In Tarrant County we will always honor those who sacrifice everything to keep us safe. Thank you for your service!



Commissioner Ramirez had a great visit to Washington D.C. He represented Tarrant County at the Annual NACo Legislative Conference, was able to catch up with Senator Ted Cruz and attended President Trump's historic State of the Union address.



Tarrant County Salutes Veterans

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
THE FORT WORTH STOCKSHOW & RODEO

Commissioner Manny Ramirez

Celebrate Our Heroes: 2nd Annual Tarrant County Salutes Veterans Event

We are thrilled to announce the success of the 2nd Annual Tarrant County Salutes Veterans event, held February 3rd on Military Appreciation Day at the Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo. We came together as a community to honor the brave men and women who have served in our armed forces.

This year's event was particularly special, featuring heartfelt stories from local Vietnam War Veterans, Major Jeff Murray, Sergeant Bill Henry, and Dustoff Pilot Doug Petersen, who generously shared their experiences and reflections on their time in service. Their stories reminded us of the courage, resilience, and dedication that define our veterans, and we are grateful for their willingness to open up and connect with our community.



*Major Jeff Murray (right)
with Dr. Kelly Crager*



*Sergeant Bill Henry (right)
with Dr. Kelly Crager*



*Dustoff Pilot Doug Petersen (right)
with Dr. Kelly Crager*

Adding to the emotional atmosphere, WWII Veteran Marine Cpl. Don Graves delivered a moving rendition of "God Bless America," inspiring everyone in attendance to reflect on the sacrifices made for our freedom. His performance resonated deeply, reminding us of the unity and gratitude we share as we honor those who have served.

In addition to the inspiring stories and performances, we were pleased to host veteran-focused vendors who provided valuable resources to all the attendees. From information on healthcare and financial assistance to employment opportunities and community services, these vendors played a crucial role in connecting veterans and their families with the support they need.

The Tarrant County Salutes Veterans event serves as a platform to recognize our veterans and fosters a sense of community, encouraging support and connection among veterans, their families, and residents. We are proud to stand together in appreciation of their service and sacrifice.



We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all who attended, participated, and supported this event. Together, we can continue to honor our veterans and ensure they receive the recognition and respect they deserve.

We look forward to seeing you at next year's event as we continue this important tradition!

For information on Tarrant County Salutes Veterans 2026, please email tcsalutesveterans@tarrantcountytexas.gov or follow us on Facebook!



Thank you from the Precinct 4 Team!



Employee Spotlight

Meet Jason Rosenquist, an Equipment Operator for the Precinct 4 Maintenance Facility

Tarrant County Precinct 4 annually recognizes and honors the exceptional contributions of its employees through the Employee of the Year program. This year, we are proud to highlight Jason Rosenquist as the Precinct 4 Employee of the Year.

Jason has been employed by Tarrant County for over four years. He is acknowledged for his professionalism and dedication to completing all assigned tasks. Jason takes pride in his work and is always eager to assist his colleagues and the citizens of Tarrant County.



Happy Retirement

Richard King
12 yrs

*Thank you for your service to
Tarrant County.
Congratulations!*



Upcoming Projects

Interlocal Agreements

Azle

*J.B Smith, Dennis, Dwight,
and Stewart St.
Mill/Overlay*

Blue Mound

*Heritage Ave. and Ironside Lane
Mill/Overlay*

Fort Worth

*Columbia Street
Reconstruct*

Haltom City

*North Park Project
New Construction/Reconstruct*

River Oaks

*Long Ave, Roberts Cut-Off
Reconstruct*

Saginaw

*Arcadia Dr., Straw Rd.,
Ridge Crest Dr., S. Hampshire St.,
Pimlico Dr.
Mill/Overlay*

Sansom Park

*Titus St.
Reconstruct*

Westover Hills

*Westover Dr., Indian Creek, Springs Rd.,
Deepdale Dr., Shady Oaks Lane, and
Arles Court
Mill/Overlay

Deepdale Dr. and Shady Oaks
Reconstruct*

County Projects

Tinsley Lane North & South

New Construction

Big Wood Ct.

Dark Leaf Ct.

Family Dr.

Little Leaf Ct.

Old Decatur Rd.

Peden Rd. (East End)

Ten Mile Bridge Rd.

(near the dam)

Wells Burnett Rd.

Reconstruct



*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.*

Celebrate Summer

Stay Hydrated

- *Don't wait until you are thirsty to drink water.
- *Aim to drink small amounts of water frequently throughout the day.



Repell Insects

- *With warmer temperatures comes a rise of mosquitoes.
- *Use insect repellent to prevent virus outbreaks and safeguard yourself and your loved ones.



Weather Safety

- *Know where to check local weather reports
- *Know where your closest tornado shelter is.
- *If you can hear thunder, lightning can strike. Avoid open spaces, but NEVER stand under a tree.



Firework Safety

- * Store fireworks in a cool, dry place.
- * Never allow children to play with, or ignite fireworks.
- * Be sure to have water handy in case of malfunction or fire.
- * Never try to relight or pick up fireworks that have not fully functioned.
- * Dispose of spent fireworks properly.

-Tips from Tarrant County Fire Marshal

Water Safety

- * **Never leave little ones unattended**
- * **Learn CPR**
- * **Learn to swim**
- * **Wear a Life Jacket**
- * **Drowning is the leading cause of accidental death among children aged 1- 4 and the second leading cause among children 1-14.**
- * **Have a first aid kit on hand**
- * **Stay hydrated**
- * **Use Sunscreen**

Mark Your Calendars

April 26- June 25	Spring Lunchtime Music Series, every Wednesday in Burnett Park
May 10	Mother's Day
May 10	City of Keller Spring Fun Festival
May 10	Lake Worth Annual Spring Clean Up Day
May 15-18	Watauga Fest
May 17	Grapevine 41st Annual Main Street Fest
May 17-18	City of Keller Family Camp Out
May 23-26	Granbury Memorial Day Weekend Festival
May 26	City of Haslet Memorial Day Celebration
May 27	Memorial Day**
May 30	Movie in the Park - City of Watauga
May 30	2025 Health & Wellness Fair Saginaw Senior Center
June 6	Fort Worth Water Lantern Festival
June 4-7	17th Van Cliburn Intl Piano Competition
June 7	City of Lake Worth Kids Fire Camp
June 7	City of Watauga Family Field Day
June 19	Juneteenth **
June 19	Freedom Vibes Concert Series, Bass Performance Hall
June 27	City of Haslet Independence Day Celebration
July 3	Light Up Arlington 2025
July 3	North Tarrant Family 4th Celebration and Fireworks Show
July 4	Independence Day **
July 4	City of Fort Worth 4th Celebration
July 11	City of White Settlement Community Health Fair
July 12	City of Crowley Celebration of Freedom
July 27	National Day of the American Cowboy
Aug 2	Azle Farmers Market
Aug 6	Castleberry ISD First Day of 2025-2026 School Year
Aug 12	Fort Worth ISD First Day of 2025-2026 School Year
Aug 12	Lake Worth ISD First Day of 2025-2026 School Year
Aug 13	Azle ISD First Day of 2025-2026 School Year
Aug 13	Birdville ISD First Day of 2025-2026 School Year
Aug 13	Eagle Mountain-Saginaw ISD First Day of 2025-2026 School Year
Aug 13	Keller ISD First Day of 2025-2026 School Year



****Tarrant County Offices Closed**



Education Station

Prioritizing Literacy for a Safer Tarrant County

In Tarrant County, we understand that public safety is the foundation of public prosperity and that businesses thrive in secure communities. That's why Commissioner Ramirez was proud to announce our commitment to making literacy a top priority through a Literacy Resolution passed this year by the Commissioners Court.

Recent studies show a concerning link between literacy and crime rates. Over 80% of Texas prison inmates are functionally illiterate, 80% of juveniles in the criminal justice system struggle with literacy, and high school dropouts are five times more likely to be arrested in their lifetimes. These statistics highlight the urgent need for effective literacy programs to break the cycle of crime and illiteracy.

With the strong partnerships we've built in Tarrant County, we are confident in our ability to tackle this literacy crisis head-on. Our goal is to position Tarrant County as a national leader in education, workforce development, and public safety. By investing in the education of just one child or young adult, we can create a safer and more prosperous society. The impact of our collective efforts will be significant, and we believe that our commitment to literacy will yield long-term benefits for our community.

We invite all residents to join us in this crucial initiative. Together, we can make a lasting difference in the lives of our residents and ensure a brighter future for Tarrant County. Thank you for your continued support as we work toward a more educated and safer community.



On February 19th, Commissioner Ramirez, along with Tarrant County Education leaders, held a press conference to announce their commitment to make literacy a top priority.

Tarrant County Sets the Standard



Tarrant County is proud to announce that it is the first County in Texas to earn all 6 Transparency Stars from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. This unique, coveted achievement underscores the County's exceptional dedication to setting the highest standards for government transparency and accountability, positioning Tarrant County as a leading example in the state.

What are Transparency Stars?

The Transparency Stars program recognizes government entities that further their transparency efforts by providing clear and meaningful financial information through documents, visualizations and other formats.

The Transparency Stars categories are: Traditional Finances, Contracts and Procurement, Economic Development, Public Pensions, Debt Obligations, and Open Government and Compliance.

Community Spotlight

Boswell Basketball Girls are State Champs!

The Boswell High School Lady Pioneers basketball team made history on Saturday, March 1, by winning the UIL Class 6A Division 2 State Championship, the program's first-ever state title.

In a thrilling game at the Alamodome in San Antonio, the Lady Pioneers defeated Fort Bend Hightower with a final score of 51-42. This victory capped off an outstanding season, with Boswell finishing 39-2 overall, boasting a perfect 12-0 district record and an undefeated home record of 14-0.

Head Coach John Reese praised the team, stating, "This is such a special group of young women who worked hard every day to achieve something no other Boswell team has done. They believed in themselves and never backed down from a challenge."

Principal Vaughn Flagler added, "This historic accomplishment is a moment of pride for our entire school and district. These student-athletes have set an example of leadership and perseverance that will inspire future generations."

Congratulations to the Lady Pioneers for their incredible season and for bringing home the 6A State Championship!



County Resources

Precinct 4 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 Road
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

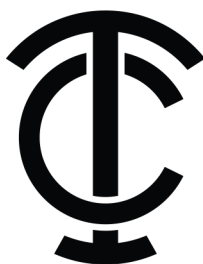
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