



# CEDAR HILL HIGHLIGHTS



## CEDAR HILL PATROL OFFICERS RECEIVE MEDAL OF VALOR

Corporal Charles Hinton, Corporal Kermit Fowlks, and Officer Jon Morrison received the Medal of Valor in December for their swift actions to save a life during a domestic violence call. The officers exhibited exceptional courage, extraordinary decisiveness, and presence of mind above the call of duty. Congratulations and thank you!

## FREE MEALS AVAILABLE FOR SENIORS AT THE SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER

The Senior Meal Program is a daily lunch program that ensures a free and nutritious meal for seniors ages 60 and older. Lunch is served Monday through Friday beginning at 11:45 a.m. at the Cedar Hill Senior Center and usually concluding by 12:45 p.m.

A completed intake form and nutritional assessment are required prior to participation. Participants must also attend an annual nutrition education session to remain in the program. There is no cost for this nutrition education session.

Advanced registration is recommended. To reserve your spot, please contact the Senior Center at 972-291-5353 or visit in person at 1740 Mansfield Road. Seniors do not have to be a member of the Cedar Hill Senior Center to participate in the free lunch program.

This program is sponsored in part by the Dallas Area Agency on Aging, and the Texas Department of Health and Human Services. Find more on this and other programs at [cedarhilltx.com/55](http://cedarhilltx.com/55).



# 2022 YEAR IN REVIEW

## A SAFE COMMUNITY

Safety is a top priority of the City Council, and it is a core driver of quality of life and economic development in Cedar Hill. **Sixty-five percent of the City's budget is dedicated to public safety**, funding nationally-recognized police, fire and emergency medical services that make Cedar Hill the safest city in the area.



## MAJOR HIGHLIGHTS

- Crime rate index decreased 13%, marking the fifth straight annual decrease and falling 49% since 2016.
- New heavy rescue truck and rescue boat were put into service, enhancing special rescue capability for the region.
- Engaged the community through the Youth Summit, National Night Out, Citizens Police Academy, Teen Fire Academy, Special Needs Dance, and the award-winning Neighborhood Walk program.
- Expanded mental health and resiliency resources for first responders and the public through partnerships with Dallas County and our neighboring cities.
- Added two new traffic safety officers and additional speed monitoring devices for neighborhoods.

## PLANNING OUR FUTURE

This year, the City Council adopted Cedar Hill Next, the City's comprehensive plan, after an extensive public input and engagement process. The plan sets an ambitious policy goal to preserve 25% of the City's land mass as open space and identifies strategic opportunities to move the community forward while also preserving its character.

Construction of the first phase of the Downtown Complete Streets plan was completed in November. Broad Street, between Belt Line Road and Texas Street, was resurfaced and new sidewalks, street benches, street lights, and landscaping were installed.



# BREAKING NEW GROUND

In 2022, we celebrated major milestones in the voter-approved bond program. The City Council completed design and broke ground on the new Library, Museum & Signature Park and the new community pool - the Lagoon at Virginia Weaver Park. Renovations were completed at Ramsey Park in the High Pointe neighborhood, and Cedar Hill's first outdoor pickleball court was installed at Bear Creek Park.

# LIBRARY, MUSEUM & SIGNATURE PARK

The community showed up in droves to break ground on the new Library, Museum & Signature Park in July. The new state-of-the-art library will be 40k square feet and feature community and event space, innovative technology, and program areas for all ages. It will be integrated with a new signature park and trail, bringing the outside in and continuing the City of Cedar Hill's vision as a city in a park.



# THE LAGOON AT VIRGINIA WEAVER PARK



The City Council broke ground on the new community pool in May with a luau-themed celebration. The new pool, named The Lagoon At Virginia Weaver Park, will feature almost 10,000 square feet of water surface, including a zero-depth entry pool, separate lap swim pool, lazy river, three-turn slide, and splash feature.

Construction is around 50% complete and is on schedule for a summer 2023 grand opening.

## ENGAGING THE COMMUNITY

Cedar Hill is an engaged community, and 2022 brought new opportunities to connect with neighbors. The year began with a new Welcome to Cedar Hill program where new residents toured the City and met their neighbors.

Cedar Hill celebrated Hispanic heritage in September with the inaugural LatinFest event, where residents and visitors enjoyed food, kids activities, and cultural performances.

In October, more than 300 neighbors showed up to Clean Cedar Hill and picked up litter on our roadways and neighborhoods.

2022 was also a year of celebrating major community milestones, and hundreds showed up to break ground on the new library and community pool and to dedicate the newly completed Balcones Trail.





# UPCOMING EVENTS



## MLK HOLIDAY

JANUARY 16

City facilities, including the Alan E. Sims Recreation Center, Tri-City Animal Shelter, Zula B. Wylie Public Library, and Senior Activity Center will be closed in observance of the holiday.



## STATE OF THE CITY

JANUARY 26 AT 6 PM

Join the Cedar Hill City Council for the 2023 State of the City! Enjoy dinner with your local officials and hear about what's on the horizon for Cedar Hill. Tickets at [cedarhilltx.com](http://cedarhilltx.com).



## MAYOR'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

FEBRUARY 2 AT 7:30 AM

Join Mayor Mason and Transformation Vision for the bimonthly Mayor's Prayer Breakfast at the Alan E. Sims Recreation Center.



## WELCOME TO CEDAR HILL

FEBRUARY 11 AT 9 AM

New to Cedar Hill? Join us for breakfast and a tour of town! Register at [cedarhilltx.com/welcome](http://cedarhilltx.com/welcome) and learn more about community facilities and programs.

## CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

JANUARY 10

JANUARY 24

FEBRUARY 14

FEBRUARY 28

The City Council meets at the Cedar Hill Government Center at 6 p.m. Agendas are posted 72 hours in advance at [cedarhilltx.com/agenda](http://cedarhilltx.com/agenda).

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# FREQUENTLY USED NUMBERS

Emergency	911
Administration	(972) 293-1467
After Hours	(972) 780-6643
Animal Control	(972) 223-6111
Animal Shelter	(972) 291-5335
Fire Dept. (Non-Emergency)	(972) 291-1011
Library	(972) 291-7323
Municipal Court	(972) 291-5100 ext. 1041
Neighborhood Services	(469)-272-2801
Parks & Recreation	(972) 291-5100 ext. 1500
Police Dept. (Non-Emergency)	(972) 291-5100 ext. 2400
Recreation Center	(972) 293-5288
Senior Center	(972) 291-5353
Trash & Recycling	(800) 772-8653
Utility Billing	(469) 272-2931

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