Roy Charles Brooks
Tarrant County
Commissioner



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# PRECINCT ONE NEWS

# MESSAGE FROM COMMISSIONER ROY CHARLES BROOKS

Friends and neighbors,

I am honored to serve as your Precinct One County Commissioner for another term. I truly value your support. Thank you to the best constituents in Tarrant County.

This term I plan to tackle critical issues such as mental health, criminal justice, economic development and the expansion of the JPS Health Network. In addition to critical issues, I will continue my Healthy Lives Matter Initiative with a focus in Prostate Cancer Screening and Alzheimer's Education events. This year's prostate event hosted over 250 attendees with 149 men out of 179 registered receiving PSA screenings.

Together we can continue to make a difference in Precinct One and across Tarrant County. If you are interested in submitting an article please email <a href="mailto:pctl@tarrantcounty.com">pctl@tarrantcounty.com</a>. We would love to share your event or news with our readers.

As always, may God continue to bless the work of your hands.

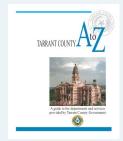
Sincerely,





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## SAVE THE DATE

Mark your calendars for the 2nd Annual Healthy Lives Matter Alzheimer's Education Event.



This half-day seminar will offer peer support and resources for family caregivers and healthcare professionals.

Keep an eye out for registration sometime around May.

WHEN:
SATURDAY
AUGUST 19, 2017
TIME: TBD

WHERE:
TARRANT COUNTY
COLLEGE TRINITY
RIVER CAMPUS





# ATTN: DIONNE PHILLIPS BAGSBY SOUTHWEST SUBCOURTHOUSE NOTICE

While the addition/expansion to the Dionne Phillips Bagsby Southwest Subcourthouse, located at 6551 Granbury Road, Fort Worth takes place, most of the departments in the building will be CLOSED on March 23 and 24. The offices will relocate to 6080 S. Hulen Street, Suite 430, Fort Worth, 76132, and reopen on March 28.

### OFFICES TO BE RELOCATED INCLUDE:

Commissioner Pct. 1 County Clerk—Passports (817) 370-4500 (817) 248-6210

Constable Pct. 6 Justice of the Peace, Pct. 6 (817) 370–4510 (817) 370–4525

County Clerk—Vital Records Tax Assessor-Collector (817) 370-4546 (817) 370-4535

\*\*\*Public Health...NOTE: PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT WILL NOT MOVE AND WILL REMAIN AT THE SOUTHWEST SUBCOURTHOUSE (817) 370-4530

\*\*\*WIC.....NOTE: WIC WILL NOT MOVE AND WILL REMAIN AT THE SOUTH-WEST SUBCOURTHOUSE (817) 321-5400

### STILL HAVEN'T DONE YOUR 2016 TAXES???

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program is a free income tax preparation program for low-to-moderate income individuals and or families. Volunteers work to assist clients with filing their yearly tax return but also help to ensure tax credits are reported such as the Earned Income Tax Credit and the Child Tax Credit.

VITA volunteers work each tax season from mid-January to the end of April and can be found year-long at Catholic Charities Fort Worth.

Locate a site near you by calling the United Way Helpline at 2-1-1 or by visiting <a href="http://www.freetaxdfw.com">http://www.freetaxdfw.com</a>



Other Locations: AARP offers tax assistance at other locations within Tarrant County. Click <u>HERE</u> for more information.

### MEET MONCRIEF CANCER INSTITUTE

A non-profit community-based center, Moncrief Cancer Institute (MCI), specializes in cancer prevention and support services to patients from 35 counties in North Texas. It is an affiliate of UT Southwestern Harold C. Simmons Comprehensive Cancer Center in Dallas providing services such as:

- Screening programs
- Educational sessions
- Survivor services
- Personalized nutrition and fitness programs
- Emotional and clinical support
- Mobile outreach

MCI is on the forefront of providing cancer care services that are both highly advanced and convenient. Their Mobile Cancer Survivor Clinic travels to locations in Tarrant, Ellis, Erath, Hood, Johnson, Navarro, Parker, Somervell and Wise Counties. It is fully equipped to provide:

- One-on-one fitness training
- Nutrition planning
- Breast cancer screenings
- Cervical cancer screenings
- Enrollment for at-home colon cancer screenings
- Genetic counseling and risk assessment
- Clinical care with physician assistant and oncology certified nurse

Regardless of a patient's financial status, MCl works hard to provide services to all who walk through their doors. If you would like to find out more information about MCl or their mobile outreach services please click HERE.



Article courtesy of Mary Stewart, Communications Manager, MCI

### CALLING ALL YOUNG PROFESSIONALS!!!!

A local non-profit, founded by Mayor Betsy Price, SteerFW is a young leaders group based in Fort Worth. The organization's primary goal is to foster civic engagement among emerging leaders in Fort Worth and across Tarrant County. SteerFW is an ideal place for young professionals to access connections and resources in an effort to becoming more involved in the community.

SteerFW is an active volunteer group who donates their time to events such as this past weekend's

Cowtown Marathon. They group will be hosting a Civic Summit on March 4th where attendees will hear what the future holds for the City of Fort Worth.

Click <u>HERE</u> to learn more about SteerFW and their upcoming events.



# MAY GENERAL ELECTION

On May 6, the General Election will consist of the City of Fort Worth mayor and city council elections as well as school board elections in the following districts: Fort Worth, Crowley, Northwest, Eagle-Mountain Saginaw, Keller, Aledo, and Everman.

Are you ready to vote?

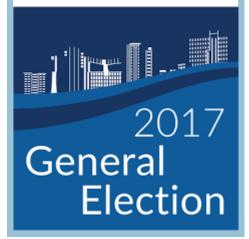
Need to register?

Click <u>HERE</u> for an online mail-in application.

Click <u>HERE</u> to submit an application for ballot by mail.

Click <u>HERE</u> to verify if you have registered to vote and <u>HERE</u> to print sample ballots.

Questions?
Call the Tarrant County
Elections Office at
(817) 831-8683





# GOT UNUSED PRESCRIPTION DRUGS?



Do you have prescription drugs that you need to get rid off? Here are a few options that are available to you: Drug Take-Back Kiosks - There are currently 3 drug take-back kiosks located in Fort Worth that are available to you 24/7.

- UNTHSC located at 3600 Mattison Ave. (Look for the drug take-back box)
- Walgreens located at 6205 Westcreek Dr.
- Walgreens located at 4520 Western Center Blvd.

Drug Take-Back Envelopes - For small quantities, the city is piloting a new program through postal mail. Call (817) 392-1234 or email 1234@fortworthtexas.gov to request a postage-paid envelope. (While supplies last) Police Station Collection Boxes - Medication disposal kiosks are available at 5

locations Mon-Fri from 8am - 5pm.

- Central Division located at 501 Jones St.
- East Division located at 1100 Nashville
- North Division located at 2500 North Houston St.
- South Division located at 3128 West Bolt St.
- West Division located at 3525 Marquita

Please do not flush unused medications! Flushing of medications either down the drain or toilet can potentially contaminate our water sources. Click <a href="HERE">HERE</a> for more info from the City of Fort Worth.



Reference: Energy Saver Guide: Tips on Saving Money and Energy at Home. U.S. Department of Energy. May 2014. Web. 8 July 2016

## BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THESE SPRING BREAK ACTIVITIES



Sid's Story Time



TRWD Flyfest



Spring Break Camps



Spring Break at Stockyard Station



**Spring Break Wonders** 



Fun Week at



Spring Break at the FTW Nature Center



Spring Break Circuitry At the FTW Library

### **ROY CHARLES BROOKS**

Commissioner Precinct One

### **ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES**

Miller Avenue Administration Building 3500 Miller Avenue Fort Worth, TX 76119 Phone: (817) 531-5600

Southwest Sub-Courthouse <u>TEMP LOCATION</u>
Phone: (817) 370-4500

Maintenance Facility
800 E Rendon-Crowley Road
Burleson, TX 76028
(817) 615-4050
Director of Field Operations
Dr. T.C. Webster

### **EMAIL:**



STAY CONNECTED:







## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

| March 4Annual L. C | lifford Davis Legal Association Expunction & Non-Disclosure Clinic, click HERE                     |
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| March 12           |  |
| March 18           | Benbrook Household Hazardous Waste/E-Waste Collection Event, click ${\hbox{\tt \underline{HERE}}}$ |
| March 25           |  |
| March 25           | Cesar Chavez March and Rally, 1pm in General Worth Square, DT FTW                                  |
| March 25           | 501 (c)3 Application Workshop, click HERE  |
| March 27           | Tarrant County Offices Closed in Recognition of Cesar Chavez Day                                   |
| March 29           | 2017 Alzheimer's Association Spring Symposium, click HERE  |
| April 1            |  |
| April 1            |  |
| April 1            |  |
| April 8            |  |
| April 9            | Victory Over Violence Walk/Run, click HERE   |
| April 14           | Tarrant County Offices Closed in Recognition of Good Friday  |
| April 22           | Be Healthy Burleson Annual Run, click HERE   |
| April 22           |  |
| April 22-23        |  |
| May 4              | Senior Synergy Expo, click <u>HERE</u>   |
| May 6              |  |
| May 9              |  |
| May 14             |  |
| May 20             | Benbrook Electronic Waste/Document-Shredding Event, click <u>HERE</u>                              |
| May 29             | Tarrant County Offices Closed in Observance of Memorial Day  |

#### **OUR ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM**

Cathy Young Junior
Executive Administrator of
Administrative and Constituent Services

Amanda Applon
Community Outreach Coordinator

Stephanie D. Thompson Office Administrator

Roderick Miles, Jr.
Executive Administrator of
Programs and Outreach

Jeanette Martinez
Asst. Precinct Administrator

Leon Polk
Office Administrator