

The Dallas Digest

City of Dallas, Oregon



City Manager's Space

The Dallas Police Department has outgrown its current space, which consists of offices in City Hall and in an annex building adjacent to City Hall. The department needs a facility that meets its operational needs and supports the department to work more efficiently and collaboratively. The City has begun to develop design plans for a new police station for the Police Department, and we are seeking your input on initial exterior building design concepts. An online open house has been created and we want your input.

Participate in the online open house by visiting this link:

<https://form.jotform.com/jlainvolve/dallas-police-station-oooh>

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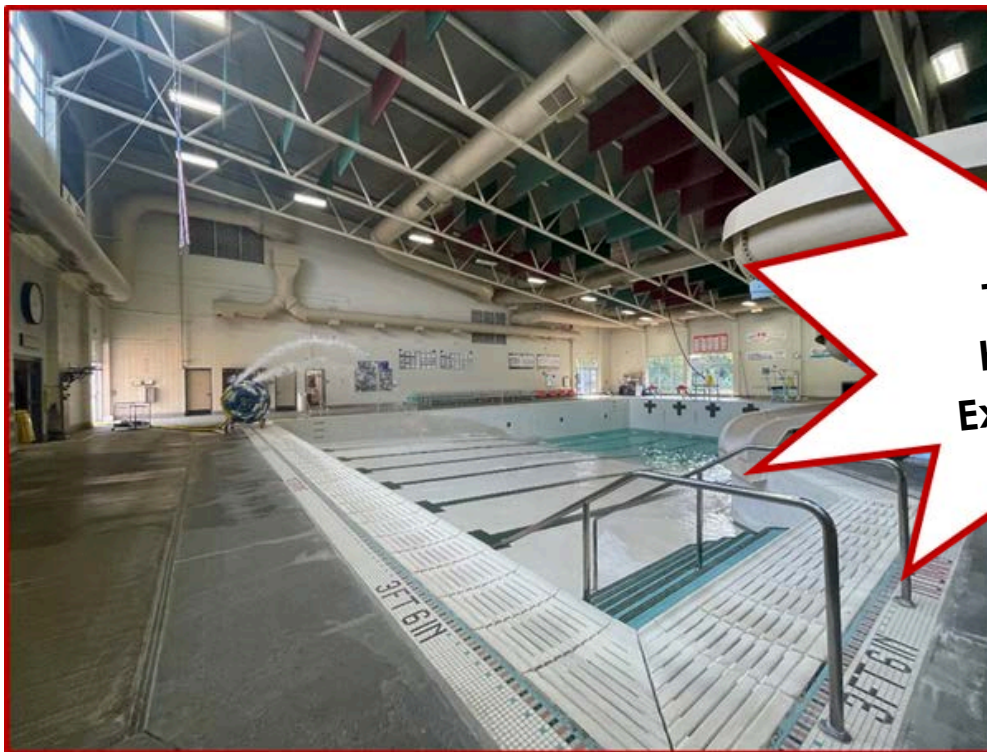
Parks and Recreation

What's Behind the Dallas Aquatic Center's Annual Closure?

Every September, for four days after Labor Day, the Dallas Aquatic Center closes to the public. After the heavy use of summer, this annual closure gives staff the opportunity to complete maintenance tasks that would be disruptive or impossible to undertake while the pools are in use.

During this year's closure we:

- Pressure washed the exterior of the DAC
- Acid washed the leisure and therapy pools
- Completed a permanent repair to a leak in the lap pool



**THIS FALL:
Turkey Swim
Holiday Trivia
Extra Rec Swims**

PUBLIC WORKS

Fish Passage Pool Being Added to Mercer Dam

The Rickreall Creek Watershed supplies water for the Dallas community by way of the Mercer Dam and reservoir, located about 8 miles upstream from the city. The reservoir captures and stores water to provide a year-round water supply. When the dam was constructed in 1959 it did not offer a way for fish migrating downstream to safely pass over the dam's spillway.



Last year, the Oregon Water Resources Department awarded the city with a \$345,000 grant to build a downstream splash pool. The design is a collaboration between the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and Jacobs Engineering. The city's contractor, MJ Hughes, began the project in early September and estimates a mid-October completion. The above photo shows the downside of the dam during overflow and the two images below show MJ Hughes personnel at work on the project.



DALLAS FIRE & EMS

FIREMED OPEN ENROLLMENT BEGINS SOON

The City of Dallas Emergency Medical Service is proud to offer our community prompt, professional emergency medical care utilizing skilled basic and advanced life support providers equipped with modern medical technology. Advanced life support care and transport can be expensive! With the rising cost of health insurance and more families being covered by a high deductible health plan, you and your family may face paying for a large portion of the ambulance bill, if not the entire bill.

If you don't know what FireMed is, here is a brief description. FireMed membership includes your entire household and can be used as many times in a year as medically necessary. FireMed members are protected 24/7, and are also covered in many areas across the State of Oregon. In most cases, what isn't covered by your insurance is covered by FireMed. When you need emergency medical care and transportation to the hospital, why worry about the cost involved?

Our FireMed Rates:

- With-in City Limits: \$75 a year for the entire household
- Outside City Limits: \$85 a year for the entire household.
- Go to the link to join today:

<https://www.emspatient.com/dallasfiremed/>

•Coverage is from October 1, 2024 thru October 31, 2025



If you are already a member of FireMed, enrollment materials will automatically be arriving soon.

OCTOBER IS FIRE PREVENTION MONTH

October is a big time for the fire department because it is Fire Prevention Awareness Month! We celebrate Fire Prevention Week this year Oct. 6th-Oct. 12th.

Fire Prevention Week is observed each year during the week of October 9th in commemoration of the Great Chicago Fire, which began on October 8, 1871, and caused devastating damage. During Fire Prevention Week, children, adults, and teachers learn how to stay safe in case of a fire.

Did you know? Key messages for this year's Fire Prevention Week theme, "Smoke alarms: Make them work for you!" include the following:

- Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each separate sleeping area (like a hallway), and on each level (including the basement) of the home.
- Make sure smoke alarms meet the needs of all family members, including those with sensory or physical disabilities.
- Test smoke alarms at least once a month by pushing the test button.
- Replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old or don't respond when tested.

You could have as little as two minutes to get out safely once the smoke alarms sounds. Working smoke alarms give you early warning so you can get outside quickly.



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Installation

- Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each separate sleeping area (like a hallway), and on each level (including the basement) of the home.
- When installing, follow the instructions that come with the smoke alarm.
- For the best protection, interconnect all smoke alarms. When one sounds, they all sound. It is important to have interconnected smoke alarms if you sleep with the bedroom doors closed.
- A smoke alarm should be on the ceiling or high on a wall.

How to Choose an Alarm

It is important to purchase a smoke alarm that is listed by a qualified testing laboratory. The two most common types of smoke alarms are ionization and photoelectric alarms.

- For the best protection, or where extra time is needed to wake up or help others, both types of alarms or dual sensor ionization-photoelectric alarms are recommended.
- An ionization smoke alarm is more responsive to flaming fires and a photoelectric smoke alarm is more responsive to smoldering fires.
- Photoelectric smoke alarms are the best type of alarms to be installed near the kitchen and bathrooms to reduce nuisance alarms.

Testing and Maintenance

- Test smoke alarms at least once a month by pushing the test button.
- Follow the manufacturer's instructions for cleaning to keep smoke alarms working.

Replacement

- Smoke alarms with non-replaceable (long-life) batteries are designed to remain effective for up to 10 years. If the alarm chirps, warning that the battery is low, replace the entire smoke alarm right away.
- For smoke alarms that do not have non-replaceable (long-life) batteries, replace batteries at least once a year. If the alarm chirps, replace only the battery.

The NFPA has great additional resources to learn more about this year's chosen campaign. Follow the link to learn more!

<https://www.nfpa.org/events/fire-prevention-week>

YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR OPEN HOUSE

On October 30th, Dallas Fire & EMS is hosting their Open House. This will be a great event to bring kids and adults of all ages! There will be activity stations for the kids, demonstrations on firefighter skills for adults, and candy for all! Stop by the fire department between 1pm-3pm or 6pm-8pm to participate in all the fun things we have planned!

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & URBAN RENEWAL

DBI

The Dallas Business Inventory is the best way for a business to be connected with the City and to learn about the important resources available to them. Since the DBI launched, we have been able to get 22% of Dallas businesses registered and regularly contacted, but to make this inventory a success, we need YOUR help. If you operate a business in Dallas, register for the inventory TODAY! Help us hit our goal of 50% by the end of the year.

You can sign up at this link: <https://bit.ly/dallasdbi>



HELP US HELP YOUR BUSINESS!

We have over 1,000 businesses in our database, but only 264 of them have contact information!

50%

Our Goal? We want to be able to reach at least 50% of businesses by email by the end of 2024!

How can you sign up your business?
It's easy!

Sign up here: <https://bit.ly/dbidallas>

When you sign up, you will be the first to know about important resources that will help make your business successful!

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Business Retention and Expansion Program

The Economic and Community Development Department will begin implementing a business retention and expansion program. This program is designed with the following objectives in mind:

1. Support local businesses in all stages of growth
2. Solve immediate issues and concerns when possible
3. Increase local businesses' ability to compete locally, nationally, and internationally
4. Build community capacity to sustain the growth and development of all types of businesses

This program will begin with staff from the Economic and Community Development Department scheduling one on one meetings with interested managers and business owners to discuss the issues facing their business, as well as opportunities that businesses wish to take advantage of. These meetings and the topics discussed will be confidential and used by City staff to build a stronger and more supportive business environment in the City of Dallas.

These meetings will be about one hour in length and it is recommended that the businesses schedule meetings ahead of time so that city staff do not interrupt operations of businesses.

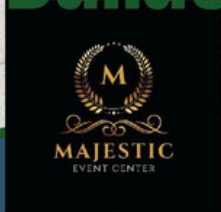
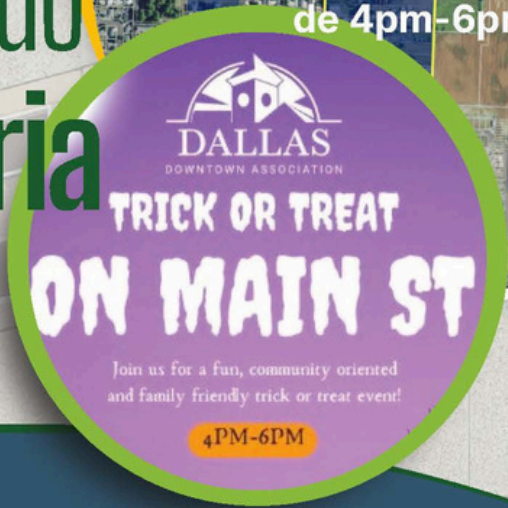
Businesses interested in setting up a meeting are encouraged to contact Economic Development Specialist, Tyler Ferrari at tyler.ferrari@dallasor.gov or by calling 503-831-3579.

Mill Site

Rural
Development
Initiatives



Que esta pasando Con la Serreria Aqui en Dallas



¿Que te gustaria ver en estos 66 acres?
¿Que te gustaria ver en la ciudad de Dallas?
¿Que te gustaria saber mas de los 66 acres de la Serreria aqui
cerca del centro de la ciudad de Dallas?

Cuando
Octubre 31 de 6 - 8:30 pm

Este es una presentacion en español para explicar lo que esta pasando en la ciudad de Dallas. Esto es gratis, y todas las personas que vivan en Dallas estan invitadas.

Tendremos
Pizza en esta
reunion despues
del "Trick or
Treat!"

Lugar:
Majestic
976 Main Street
Dallas, OR 97338

Esto es una colaboracion con RDI y la Ciudad de Dallas.

Para mas información, preguntas.
Llame a Erubiel Valladares al 971.444.0072

evalladares@rdiinc.org

BUILDING & PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Why codes and the permitting process?

All Jurisdictions are required to follow The State of Oregon Building Code

Oregon has adopted a state building code that is composed of individual specialty codes. These specialty codes create the foundation for the Oregon code system and bring together stakeholders as well as state and local governments to create a code that protects safety while allowing for affordable development.

Predictability - The Oregon building code applies equitably across all areas of the state. This statewide system creates predictability and consistency for contractors, inspectors, and workers. Predictability and consistency help keep costs down, increase code compliance, simplify training, and decrease the barriers to entry for the construction industry.

Industry Stakeholders - Industry stakeholders, including contractors, engineers, architects, inspectors, labor, and manufacturers participate in the creation of the state building code. The involvement of these industry stakeholders creates industry buy in, as well as support for the code. By including a wide range of stakeholders in the process, the resulting code is balanced between safety, efficiency, and affordability.

Mini-maxi Code - The code does not require a one-size fits all approach to construction. It sets minimum standards that allow freedom and creativity for architects, engineers, and designers to choose the products and methods that work best for a project. These code standards are the maximum standard that can be enforced by a jurisdiction while setting a minimum standard that contractors must build to.

This creates a consistent minimum standard statewide, providing consistency and predictability, while allowing the flexibility and freedom for customers to exceed minimum code standards if they choose. The code also builds in flexibility for building officials to allow for different approaches that get to the same level of safety.

Statewide Programs - BCD administers several statewide programs including the elevator and boiler inspection programs. By administering these specialty programs at the state level, local jurisdictions don't have to staff a program with a relatively low volume of inspections but which require a high level of expertise and specialized skill. This system helps keep staffing costs down for the local jurisdiction as well as providing timely inspections to builders. These savings and efficiencies are reflected in lower permit and inspection costs.

We all benefit from using the ePermitting and technology

Oregon ePermitting and Technology - BCD also provides its Oregon ePermitting system to jurisdictions that want to participate. This system allows any local jurisdiction in Oregon to offer permitting and inspection scheduling services online, increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of the building permit system. With the statewide ePermitting system available, jurisdictions can avoid the unnecessary time and expense associated with running a local system. Additionally, contractors have a simplified experience of being able to use one system across the state. The ePermitting system also allows BCD to look for ways to use new technology to improve how inspections are performed, including live video inspections. Video inspections can reduce the amount of travel time needed for an inspector, reducing the cost of inspections as well as increasing the efficiency of the inspector.

Oregon BCD Building Codes Division

<https://www.oregon.gov/bcd/Pages/news-updates.aspx>

Contact us at: Building@dallasor.gov or Ph: 503-831-3574

CODE SERVICES

Trash and Garbage

Whether you have garbage service through Republic Services or take your household waste to the dump yourself, here are some things you need to know.

- Household waste is defined as
 - Garbage. Putrescible solid waste, including animal and vegetable waste and dead animals.
 - Rubbish. Non-putrescible solid waste consisting of both combustible and noncombustible wastes such as paper, clothing, leaves, cardboard, tin cans, tires, yard clippings, wood, glass, bedding, crockery, and similar materials.



Household waste in a bag on the ground attracts animals and can be a health hazard not to mention the mess made by an animal if it does get into it. Household waste must be stored correctly per Dallas City Code:

4.702 Containers Required

1. All garbage within the city shall be stored in containers that are water tight, equipped with tightfitting covers and suitable handles, and that are maintained in a clean, sanitary manner and good state of repair.
2. No garbage or rubbish shall be allowed to accumulate and remain undisposed of for more than seven days.

Excess household waste should be bagged and the bag placed on top of your cans out of reach of most animals. The company may charge you for the additional bags.



The BLUE REVIEW

DALLAS POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Body and Car Camera System Upgrades

The Police Department is wrapping up a multi-year project switching from Motorola Watchguard camera systems to Axon body-worn and car cameras. The last phase of this is having the cameras installed on our patrol vehicles. This is an integrated technology that allows for a more efficient transfer of evidence within the department and also to prosecutors' offices.

Police Accreditation

The Police Department has been working towards becoming an accredited agency for several years. This is an intensive process requiring new and different policies, implementing certain trainings and passing intense auditing of policies, procedures and function. On September 10, 2024, the department was accredited by the Northwest Accreditation Alliance.



Traffic Safety Work Recognized

On September 25th, Traffic Safety Officer Ben Purice received recognition for his work in the Whitworth Elementary School's speed zone. This recognition came from a most important source in the form of a banner hung in the window of a classroom for Officer Purice to see while he was working.



LIBRARY EVENTS THIS MONTH

OCTOBER 2024		Dallas Public Library Events				
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Storytime 10:30am Friends of the Library Meeting 5:00pm	2 Little Bitty Storytime 10:30am	3 Storytime 10:30am Book Discussion 12pm Any Title by Zora Neale Hurston Oregon Reptile Man Dallas Civic Center 5:00pm	4	5 Chess Club 1:00pm 
6 	7 Dallas Yarn Crafters Guild 4:00pm	8 Storytime 10:30am	9 Little Bitty Storytime 10:30am	10 Storytime 10:30am Dungeons & Dragons 3:30pm	11	12
13 	14	15 Storytime 10:30am Dallas Public Library Board Meeting 4:00PM	16 Little Bitty Storytime 10:30am	17 Storytime 10:30am Friends of the Library Book Sale Member Pre-Sale 5:00pm Dallas Civic Center	18 Friends of the Library Book Sale 3:00pm Dallas Civic Center TAB 4:00pm Teen Oreo  Tasting 5:00pm	19 Friends of the Library Book Sale 10:00am Bag Sale 2:00pm Dallas Civic Center
20 	21 Tertulia Spanish Conversation 1:00pm Dallas Yarn Crafters Guild 4:00pm	22 Storytime 10:30am	23 Little Bitty Storytime 10:30am	24 Storytime 10:30am Dungeons & Dragons 3:30pm Author Willy Vlautin 7:00pm	25 Harry Potter Night 6:00pm 	26
27 	28	29 Storytime 10:30am	30 Little Bitty Storytime 10:30am	31 Storytime 10:30am 		

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Dallas OR Farmers Market Receives \$15,575 Grant for Climate Resilience Enhancement from Oregon Farmers Market Association

The Dallas OR Farmers Market is excited to announce that it has been awarded a \$15,575 grant from the Oregon Farmers Market Association (OFMA). This funding will be used to improve the market's ability to serve the community regardless of the state of the climate. Climate resilience for farmers markets involves implementing strategies to lessen the impact of climate change on the market and farmers. The Dallas OR Farmers Market plans to use this grant to:

Enhance Market Infrastructure: To combat extreme weather, we'll be introducing shading solutions and cooling areas at our outdoor market. These upgrades will help keep both vendors and shoppers comfortable, ensuring a pleasant and safe market experience even on the hottest days.

Provide Year-Round Access to Fresh Produce: We're planning on installing a farm-stand refrigerated space within a permanent, indoor, publicly accessible space. This will allow us to offer a variety of produce year-round, making sure you always have access to the freshest local fruits, veggies, and value-added goods even when the outdoor market is closed.

Promote Emergency Preparedness: In case of severe weather conditions like wildfire smoke, we'll use part of the grant to rent indoor spaces and provide this opportunity to the community during tough times. **Ensure Financial Resilience:** We're reserving funds specifically to cover costs associated with any market cancellations or emergency costs incurred caused by climate events.

This safety net will help us support our vendors and maintain market operations, keeping everything running smoothly even when the unexpected happens. About the Dallas OR Farmers Market The Dallas OR Farmers Market is dedicated to providing fresh, local produce and supporting the community through sustainable and resilient practices. Our mission is to create a vibrant marketplace for local farmers and artisans while promoting environmental stewardship

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For more information contact: Mikayla Slawosky

mikayla.slawosky@dallasor.gov

dallasdowntownassociation.org/dallasfarmersmarket



TRICK N TREAT ON MAIN ST.

Join us for a fun, community oriented and
family friendly trick or treat event!

OCTOBER 31ST 4PM-6PM



DALLAS
DOWNTOWN ASSOCIATION
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COSTUME CONTEST AT 5PM
SPONSORED BY CORNERSTONE TEAM

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