

A MESSAGE FROM THE CITY MANAGER



The Taylor Community Cleanup, now in its second year, will take place on October 22 from 8 a.m. - Noon in the neighborhood encompassing parts of W. MLK Blvd., W. Doak St, and Dickey St. The event also coincides with our semi-annual City-Wide Cleanup, which will take place on the same day at the Welch St. location and Main St. recycling center from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

As with the last two Community Cleanups, the City has partnered with local civic groups, organizations and volunteers to beautify Taylor and build a sense of community pride. Last April, there were more than 115 volunteers who participated in the Cleanup who made a significant impact in the neighborhood.

A couple of exciting additions to this year's cleanup include a Tire Amnesty Program and a service project at Doak Street Ballfields. Residents in the cleanup neighborhood will be able to drop off unwanted tires for disposal free of charge and volunteers can come out to beautify the ball fields in conjunction with the Park's department's Arbor Day project.

If your organization, church, civic group or you individually would like to volunteer, contact City Hall at 512-352-3675 or visit www.taylor.tx.gov/communitycleanup for more information and join us for a rewarding experience on Oct. 22.

-Isaac Turner

COMMUNITY & CITY-WIDE CLEANUP SET FOR OCT. 22ND



TAYLOR COMMUNITY Cleanup
October 22 | 8am-12pm
Join us as we partner together to beautify the West MLK neighborhood.
Hot Dog cookout afterwards!
Trash Pick-up / Tree Trimming / Mowing / Debris Removal / Sidewalk Clean up / & more!

Taylor Texas CITY-WIDE CLEANUP
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 | 8 AM - 3 PM
Free service for Taylor citizens offering extended drop off for debris and materials at 2 locations in town:
1424 N. Main Street & 1200 Welch St.

By working together as partners, WE can make a DIFFERENCE in Taylor!

It's once again time for the City-Wide and Community Cleanup here in Taylor. These events, held semi-annually, focus on bringing together neighbors to beautify the community.

TAYLOR COMMUNITY CLEANUP - Oct. 22, 8 a.m. - Noon

Residents, civic groups, churches, and local organizations are encouraged to join us in Southwest Taylor as we partner together to focus on the area encompassing W. MLK Blvd., Doak St., Maple St., Gano St., Symes St. & Dickey St.

Volunteers can expect to:

- Pick up and remove trash and debris from streets, sidewalks and open spaces
- Assist with tree trimming
- Help with mowing and raking
- Assisting our neighbors in need by helping remove unwanted debris from their property
- Assist with overall beautification efforts to enhance the neighborhood

Additions to this year's Community Cleanup include a Tire Amnesty Program for the selected area provided free of charge and an Arbor Day project at Doak St. Ballfields in conjunction with the Parks & Recreation department. At the conclusion of the event, a hot dog cookout will be hosted by the City for all the volunteers who attend as a way of saying thanks and building camaraderie among residents and community members.

CITY WIDE CLEANUP - 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. at 1200 Welch St. & 1424 N. Main St.

This service is provided free of charge to Taylor residents and proof of residency will be required. The following items will not be accepted at the drop off locations: appliances with refrigerant, batteries, chemicals, hazardous materials, paint, solvents, tires, waste oil, roofing shingles or concrete.



If you are interested in hosting your own neighborhood cleanup, or would like to volunteer or donate items, please contact City Hall at 512-352-3675 or visit www.taylor.tx.gov/communitycleanup.



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT STRENGTHENS POLICE, COMMUNITY TIES

National Night Out 2016 is just around the corner and it is never too early to start planning your block party!

The Taylor Police Department is proud to partner with the National Association of Town Watch in the 33rd Annual National Night Out on Tuesday, October 4, 2016. National Night Out involves over 38.3 million neighbors across 16,728 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases worldwide. National Night Out 2016 is expected to be the larger than ever!



National Night Out is designed to: Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; Generate support for and participation in local anti-crime efforts; Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnership; And send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

The Taylor Police Department invites all neighborhoods in Taylor to participate in the 33rd annual National Night Out event by hosting a neighborhood block party. Together we can "Take a Bite out of Crime!" Contact Beth Wilkes at 512-352-5551 or beth.wilkes@taylor.tx.gov to register your block party and we hope to see you on Oct. 4!

NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION WEEK OCT. 9-15



National Fire Prevention Week will kick off on Oct. 9, 2016. The Taylor Fire Department will be doing visits to

the schools to promote this year's theme of "Don't Wait. Check the Date."

Thanks to McCoy's in Taylor, a generous donation of smoke alarms was recently given to the TFD to ensure residents have access to working smoke alarms. Contact TFD for more information on their smoke detector program or for questions on proper installation at 512-352-6992.

The Taylor Fire Department would also be hosting their annual open house on October 15, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. which will feature tours and demonstrations for the public with food and beverages provided by the TFD.

CITY AWARDED \$49,500 GRANT FOR HAZARD MITIGATION

The City of Taylor has been awarded a \$49,500 grant from the Texas Department of Emergency Management for the development of a multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation action plan for Taylor and Thrall.

Once completed, it will allow both cities to be eligible to apply for certain types of federal hazard mitigation project grants.

The Hazard Mitigation plan will encompass the potential preventative actions to protect public safety, prevent loss of life, reduce harm or damage to existing and future development, and will aid to prevent damages to our unique cultural, economic and environmental assets.

MAIN STREET TRAIL PROJECT UNDERWAY

The Main Street Trail Project construction began in August with expected completion of March 2017. This project will provide a fully-connected sidewalk on the west side of Main St. from Carlos G. Parker Blvd. through Downtown Taylor and connecting to South Main St. near HWY 79. The trail project will also include construction of a sidewalk on W. Lake Dr. from Davis St. to N. Main St./Highway 95.

UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

October

4 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Taylor Police & community leaders will be visiting residents to showcase their commitment to the citizens of Taylor and strengthen partnerships.

8 GOOD LIFE FAIR

The annual Good Life 5K will take place in beautiful Bull Branch Park. 5K starts at 8 a.m. & Kids K starts at 9:30 a.m. Proceeds to benefit the Taylor Animal Shelter.

22 CITY-WIDE & COMMUNITY CLEANUP

The annual City-Wide cleanup will take place from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. at 1424 N. Main St. & 1200 Welch St. The Community Cleanup will take place 8 a.m. - noon in the W. MLK neighborhood.

22 PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK DAY

Drop off expired, unwanted or unused prescription medication at the TPD and Drug Enforcement Agency prescription drug take back day at City Hall from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

29 MAIN STREET CAR SHOW

The 4th annual Main St. Car Show will roll into Downtown starting at 10 a.m. and feature exotic cars and trucks lining the streets of Taylor.

31 SPOOKTACULAR

The annual family-friendly celebration will be held on Heritage Square from 6-9 p.m. and will feature a costume contest, games and candy for all to enjoy!

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

The Taylor Public Library will be closing early on Oct. 31, 2016 in preparation for the Spooktacular.

Check the website for more details.

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Thursdays - October 13 & 27

All meetings begin at 6 p.m. and are held at City Hall. View online at www.taylor.tx.gov or through the City of Taylor mobile app.