

### CHERISHING THE PAST; EMBRACING THE FUTURE

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CITY HALL AND THE EVENT CENTER WILL BE CLOSED THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD AND FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH FOR THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY.

REGULAR TRASH WILL NOT RUN ON THE 23RD.

HOWEVER, ALL RECULAR TRASH ROUTES WILL BE PICKED UP ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH.











### Tips for a Safe Thanksgiving Holiday from MedStar

Thanksgiving weekend 2022, MedStar crews responded to 216 car crashes on area roadways, including 15 rollovers and 9 auto pedestrian crashes. We also responded to 148 chest pain/heart problems calls, 174 calls for fall victims, 6 choking calls, and 2 patients with burns.

Thanksgiving is a time for family, fun and food. We'd also like to help make sure the holiday is SAFE.

Here are a few safety tips as you enjoy the holiday weekend:

#### Safe Travels – the day before Thanksgiving is the most traveled day of the year!

- ·If your plans include driving, check the weather along your route and plan for travel around any storms that may be in the area you are traveling.
  - ·Please be sure to use seat belts and, of course, no one should drink and drive.
  - ·Drivers should be well rested and alert and give their full attention to the road avoid distractions.
    - ·Make frequent stops and for long trips, rotate drivers.

### **Safe Cooking**

- ·Cooks should avoid wearing loose clothing or dangling sleeves while preparing the holiday meal.
- ·Keep anything that can catch fire potholders, oven mitts, wooden utensils, paper or plastic bags, food packaging, and towels or curtains—away from the stove, oven or any other appliance in the kitchen that generates heat.
  - ·Use a timer as a reminder that the stove or oven is on.
  - ·Never leave the stove unattended if the cook has to leave the kitchen even for a short time, turn off the stove.

·Check food regularly.

·Keep children and pets away from the cooking area.

·Consider purchasing a fire extinguisher to keep in the kitchen.

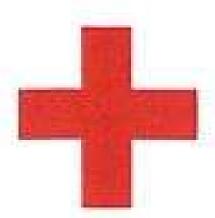
·Always check the kitchen before going to bed or leaving the home to make sure all stoves, ovens, and small appliances are turned off.











COMMUNITY

# BLOOD BROKE

Give the gift of life.

RIVER OAKS

Christian Church 5613 Meandering Rd RIVER OAKS, TX

Hours: 9 am-1 pm No Appointment Necessary

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2023

For more information: Scan here > or Contact Nancy at 817.312.7797



### 2ND ANNUAL RIVER OAKS

# Hometown

9TH 6800 DECEMBER PM





- 1. Parade will start 1500 Long Ave moving south.
- 2. Will turn right (west) onto River Oaks Blvd.
- 3. Will turn right (west) onto Ohio Garden Rd.
- 4. Will turn right (north) onto Roberts Cut-Off Rd.
- 5. Will turn right (east) onto Tulane Ave.
- 6. Will turn right (south) onto Merritt St.
- 7. Will turn left (east) onto River Oaks Blvd.
- 8. Will turn left (north) onto Lone Ave.
- 9. Parade will end 1500 Long Ave.

# What are the Dollar Donations on my water bill for?



### Parks

Dollar Donations have funded over \$91,226 of improvements. Projects include a skate park, improved lighting, fencing, ball field graders and more.



### Event Center

Dollar Donations have funded over \$97,496 of improvements. Projects include water slide, computers, concerts and events, basketball and volleyball court, fencing and more



# Fíre Department

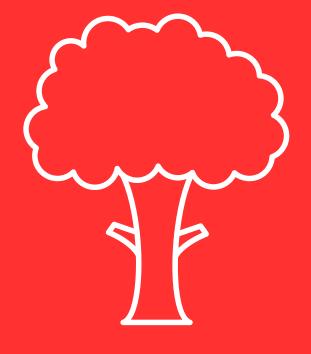
Dollar Donations have funded \$78,541 of improvements for our incredible first responders. Projects include additional AEDs, computer tablets, radios, apparatus improvements and more



## Anímal Control

Dollar Donations have funded \$6,158 of improvements to the site of the future animal shelter. Projects include security fencing and more

# Para que son las donaciones de dolar en el bil de agua ?



### **Parques**

Dollar donations a ayudado a recaudar arriba de \$91,226 en mejorias. Los proyectos incluyen, Parque de patinaje, Mejorar las luces, el Cercado, Campo de Jardin y mucho mas ...



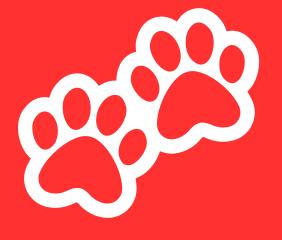
#### Centro de eventos

Dollar donations a ayudado a recaudar arriba de \$97,496 en mejorias. Los proyectos incluyen, Resbaladillas de agua, Computadoras, Conciertos y eventos, Cancha de Baloncesto y Volleyball, el Cercado y mucho mas ...



### **Departamento de Bomberos**

Dollar donations a ayudado a recaudar arriba de \$78,541 en mejorias para nuestro increible equipo de Primeros Auxilios. Los proyectos incluyen AEDs adicionales, Tabletas, Radios. Mejoramiento en aparatos y mucho mas...



### Refugio de Animales

Dollar donations a ayudado a recaudar arriba de \$6,158 en mejorias para el Futuro refugio de animales. Los proyectos incluyen seguridad, Cercado y mucho mas ...

### READY. SET. WINTER!



The transition from hot summer nights to cozy fall days is here, and Atmos Energy remains focused on year-round preparations for the winter heating season. From gas supply to delivery of natural gas service at the meter, our team is preparing for winter. We also have tips to help you stay safe and conserve energy so you can be ready, too.

#### Stay Safe.

Please follow these steps to stay safe during winter weather:

- · Never use an oven or a gas stovetop to heat your home.
- Protect natural gas meters. Natural gas meters are weather-proof; however, to ensure that the meter keeps
  working smoothly, remove snow and ice from natural gas meters with a broom or brush. Never kick or chip
  snow and ice away with a hard object.
- Safely remove snow from vents for dryers and other natural gas equipment. Blocked vents for dryers and
  other gas appliances can lead to a dangerous buildup of carbon monoxide gas. For additional information
  about carbon monoxide safety, please visit our website.
- Minimize the risk of frozen pipes. Leave faucets running at a trickle, leave cabinet doors open, and close all
  doors and windows to keep heat inside.

#### Use Energy Wisely.

Cold weather may impact the amount of natural gas you use. To save energy and money, please consider these energy-saving tips, where safe to do so:

- · Lower your thermostat to 68 degrees during the day and 58 degrees when you are away from home.
- Reduce your shower and bath time. Showering and bathing can account for 40 percent of your home's hot
  water use.
- Lower your water heater temperature to 120 degrees. Water heating accounts for as much as 25 percent of the energy consumed in your home.
- Do not use a pool heater. Instead, run your pool pump during the coldest part of the day to circulate the water and prevent freezing.
- Operate your clothes washer, dryer, and dishwasher only when fully loaded.
- · Unless a fire is burning, close your fireplace damper to prevent warm air from escaping up the chimney.

### Sign up for Text Alerts.

Sign up for Text Alerts so we can send you a text message about important information related to your natural gas service. You can opt-in for these messages under Notification Preferences in the online Account Center.









# YARD SALES

You may have 2 yard sales in a row, skip a week, then have 2 more for a total of 4 yard sales per year.

Yard sale permits are \$10 each. This allows you 1 permit sign and 2 directional signs. You must have an active water account, in good standing, at the yard sale address. You must also provide a valid United States-issued photo ID with the yard sale address on it.

4509 Almena

Yard Sale Applications
 Accepted
 Monday - Thursday
 7:30 AM to 5:30 PM
 Friday
 7:30 AM to 11:30 AM



YOU CAN REPORT UTILITY EMERGENCIES AFTER-HOURS BY CONTACTING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT DISPATCH AT 817-626-1991.



# November



Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
City Hall Closed				Staff Meeting 9:00 AM CCPD Meeting 5:45 PM		Court 5:30 PM
				City Council Meeting 6:00 PM		