

PRINCETON POST

Happy Valentine's Day! ♥



The City of Princeton offices will be **closed Monday, February 19** in observance of President's Day. City offices will reopen on Tuesday, February 19. To see a complete list of City events and closings access the City's website and calendar. www.Princetontx.gov



Princeton 2050 – The Path to Progress

The City of Princeton has embarked on a process to update the City's Comprehensive Plan. Since the adoption of the current plan in 2002, much has changed in the community due to phenomenal growth in Princeton and Collin County. The updated plan will take a fresh look at current opportunities and challenges in the community, and establish a vision for where the community would like to be in 2050. The new plan is scheduled to be adopted in late summer of this year.

Did you miss the community event?

Don't worry. Public input is critical to establish the future vision for Princeton. The City will host more events that will allow the community to contribute their thoughts and ideas throughout the project. Residents of all ages, businesses and organizations are encouraged to take part in community events, participate in online surveys and follow along with the project on websites and social media. Public input will ensure that the plan that is ultimately adopted reflects the community's preferred vision for Princeton.

Visit the website, www.princetontx.gov/Comprehensive-Plan



The City of McKinney, the McKinney Urban Transit District (**MUTD**) and the Denton County Transportation Authority (**DCTA**) are proud to provide Collin County Transit. This service consists of a subsidized taxi voucher program that provides efficient transit options for participating MUTD cities including McKinney, Lowry Crossing, Melissa, **Princeton** and Celina. Residents can now enjoy the convenience of regular taxi service at a fraction of the cost to get to popular destinations such as grocery stores, senior centers, libraries, Baylor Medical Center, Medical Center of McKinney and more. To find out more, click here to visit the website.

Scholarship Opportunity



The Don't mess with Texas Scholarship recognizes the achievements of high school seniors who have taken leadership roles to prevent litter in their schools and/or communities and build awareness of the Don't mess with Texas initiative. Presented in partnership with Keep Texas Beautiful, the Don't mess with Texas Scholarship contest will award one \$6,000 scholarship and two \$2,000 scholarships in June.

Applications for the **2018 Don't mess with Texas Scholarship** contest are now being accepted. Eligible applicants include any Texas high school senior currently attending public, private or home school and planning to attend an accredited Texas college or university in the coming year.

To apply for the Don't mess with Texas Scholarship, visit dontmesswithtexas.org. Applications must be received by online submission or postmarked by 5 p.m. (CST) **April 20, 2018**.

Is Your Child a Gifted Artist?

Did you know that Texans ages 16-34 are the most likely to litter? We need to do all we can to motivate young Texans to keep our environment free from trash. Help Don't Mess with Texas® and Keep Texas Beautiful teach our future leaders the importance of litter prevention by getting involved in the **Don't Mess with Texas® K-12 Art Contest!**



Entries Due April 20, 2018

Students who create the top 13 winning designs will have their artwork assigned to a month or placed on the cover of the **2019 Don't Mess with Texas Calendar**. **Each will also win a Samsung Galaxy Tab S3 9.7" tablet.**

Teachers representing students who produce the top 13 designs will win a **\$100 H-E-B/Central Market gift card.**

For More Information visit: <https://ktb.org/artcontest>

Turn off your Irrigation!

Keep your sprinkler systems turned OFF to prevent possible hazardous conditions on streets and sidewalks during freeze events.

Watering in freezing temperatures is prohibited as defined in the City of Princeton's Water Conservation Plan.

If you need help setting your irrigation controller or would like more information contact:
Michelle Day at mday@Princetontx.us or call 214.960.5665

Recycle your Used Cooking Oil

The City of Princeton accepts used cooking oil year round.

When FOG (Fats Oils and Grease) is washed down the drain it sticks to the insides of pipes, then solidifies and can create large clumps blocking the sewer lines and your personal pipes. This can lead to sewer backups into the streets, homes, and local waterways.



Pouring your used cooking oil outside is also very harmful to the environment and wildlife. Make a difference in your community and please dispose responsibly.

Public Works Building is located at 524 N 5th St, Princeton, TX, 75407

Open M-F during business hours.

Bring the oil in a covered container, and please filter your used cooking oil beforehand.

IT'S TIME TEXAS COMMUNITY CHALLENGE

Presented by 

We are proud to announce our community's participation in the 2018 IT'S TIME TEXAS Community Challenge! We are excited to participate in this statewide healthy competition, and we're in it to win it for Princeton. The Challenge is a great opportunity for all of us to join together, celebrate, and showcase all we do to strengthen our health as individuals and as a community. Not to mention prove that Princeton has what it takes to win the title and take home the prize money!

Here's how you can get involved:

- Log onto the Challenge website: www.ittcommunitychallenge.com
- Register—it just takes a minute and earns our community 500 points!
- Start uploading your healthy activities! There are numerous ways to earn points; everything from tracking your physical activity daily, to snapping Healthy Selfies, to planning healthy activities at your school or workplace, to hosting communitywide health events!

It's easy to start uploading and here are some ideas to get you started:

- 200 points » Take a Healthy Selfie. Snap a picture of yourself getting physically active, or eating healthy.
- 200 points » Organize a Healthy Workplace Activity. How about a healthy office potluck, a kickball game, dropping for 10 pushups every hour with officemates, going on a group walk, or creating makeshift standing desks?
- 250-10,000 points » Sign a Pledge. There are pledges on the Challenge website for mayors, city councils, employers, school districts, and faith-based leaders.

Let's show the rest of Texas what we can do!

Sincerely,
City of Princeton

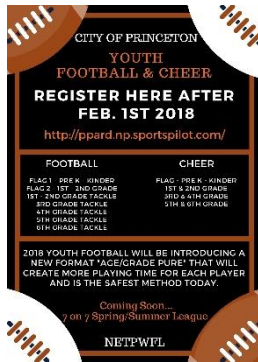
PRINCETON WORKS



A WORKFORCE SOLUTION

The City of Princeton is seeking applicants for General Labor with the Princeton Works Workforce Solution. Visit the city website to download an application and apply! www.princetontx.gov/princeton-works

Applications are also available at City Hall
123 W. Princeton Drive Princeton, Texas 75407



Register for Youth Football & Cheer

Sign up today! <http://ppard.np.sportspilot.com>

2018 Youth Football will be introducing a new format "Age/Grade Pure" that will create more playing time for each player and is the safest method today.

Contact JSexton@Princetontx.us for more information

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CITY OF PRINCETON FIRE AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS



NOTICE TO HOMEOWNERS

In the interest of Public Safety your Fire and Police Departments are wanting to make sure that if you have an emergency requiring our services, we will be able to respond to your residence without any unnecessary delays. During the construction of your streets you are reminded to follow some simple standard precautions. You're safety is our highest priority.

- Utilize parking which does not congest the street. Park in the driveways, or as close to the edge as possible, and **never reduce the pass through distance on the street to less than 12'** so that emergency apparatus can get through.
- If you call 911 for an emergency please let the dispatcher know there is construction on your street that may increase response times, and make sure they know the best route to get to your home.
- If you notice parked cars or construction/contractor vehicles in the open useable areas of the street that reduce the pass through to less than 12', or if cars are parking on or close to the corners of intersections into your streets which reduces the ability of a fire truck to make the turn, please contact the police department who will enforce the restrictions.
- Follow City guideline for trash cans and parking
- **DO NOT** park in front of Fire Hydrants
- Because we may not be able to drive up to your house, you should consider (if possible) having someone standing outside the residence to wave the first responders down from a distance. At nighttime you may consider waving a flashlight at the emergency responders as they arrive on the street.
- **KEEP YOUR ADDRESS PLAINLY VISIBLE DURING THE CONSTRUCTION PLEASE!!**
- If you smell the odor of natural gas outside your home or business call 911 and keep your windows and doors closed. If you smell the odor of natural gas inside your home or business, turn off anything on stoves/ovens/fryers and quickly leave the building without turning off any light switches, then call 911 from a safe location outside the occupancy.



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If you have any questions or concerns please use the following contacts. Only use 911 if you have a true emergency. For any other concerns related to the construction please visit the City website for reporting. Thank you!

Fire Department – Non-Emergency #: 214 960-4509, Email: fireadmin@princetontx.us

Police Department – Non-Emergency #: 972 736-3555, Email: jrodriguez@princetonpd.com

CONSTRUCTION UPDATES



Construction will begin on Cherry Street on February 10th – Town Hall was held 02/08/2018 at 6PM

Construction will begin on Gantt Street February 7th – Town Hall was held 02/08/2018 at 7PM

Florence Drive and Briar Grove infrastructure rehabilitation projects are nearing completion.

The Safer Routes to School construction is nearing completion on College Street and 6th Street.

16 inch waterline along 380 will have the final walkthrough soon

Hazelwood sewer line is nearing completion.

Beauchamp Business Park is nearing completion

Beauchamp Blvd should open to County Road 400 in 30 days

North portion of Beauchamp Blvd will start this month.

Bridges are being constructed and should be installed this month to finish the new hike and bike trails at the JM Caldwell Senior Community Park/ POW Camp.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The City of Princeton is an Equal Opportunity Employer. We do not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin, disability, or any other characteristic protected by law.

Thank you for your interest in employment with the City of Princeton. All jobs are open until filled, unless otherwise indicated. Jobs may close at any time during the advertising period.



The City of Princeton post all available jobs through the TML website.

Job Openings:
[Police Officer](#)

Princeton City Hall

Closings · Meetings · Events

It's Time Texas Community Challenge

January 8 @ 12:00 am - March 4 @ 12:00 am

President's Day (City Offices Closed)

February 16 @ 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

City Council Meeting

February 26 @ 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm