

# DR. THERESA DANIEL DALLAS COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 1 NEWSLETTER

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## Dallas County-City partnership to end and prevent homelessness announced

Commissioner Dr. Theresa Daniel has been appointed as Co-Director, with Dallas City Councilman Mark Clayton, of the proposed Dallas Area Partnership to End and Prevent Homelessness which Mayor Mike Rawlings and Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins announced on February 14, 2017.



*Dallas City Councilman Mark Clayton, Dallas County Commissioner Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins and Dallas City Mayor Mike Rawlings launch the Dallas Area Partnership to End and Prevent Homelessness at Dallas City Hall on February 14, 2017.*

The partnership will provide overarching leadership and seek sustainable funding, to coordinate community investment, to develop and oversee the implementation of a comprehensive plan, to guide and direct improvements in the homeless service system, and to hold all organizations accountable for performance against agreed-upon plan metrics.

There will be two advisory boards,

including a community group that will include at least three homeless or formerly homeless members.

The Dallas County Commissioners Court approved the formation of the partnership on February 21, 2017. The Dallas City Council was briefed on the partnership on February 15, 2017 and will vote on approval sometime in March.

## EARTH HOUR



Earth Hour is a 10 year ongoing movement that highlights the importance of supporting climate projects around the world in order to make our planet, Earth, a better home.

Climate change poses a fundamental threat to everything we love. Impacts are already being felt by many communities and ecosystems worldwide. Every year millions of people, businesses, and landmarks around the globe, set aside an hour to host events, switch off their lights, and make noise for climate change action.

This year Earth Hour is at 8:30pm on March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017. If you'd like more information on how to further contribute to this movement, visit [EarthHour.org](http://EarthHour.org)

## AIR QUALITY

Commissioner Daniel has been named as Co-Chair of The Texas Clean Air Working Group. TCAWG is a subcommittee of the Conference of Urban Counties dedicated to bringing together the various concerned entities (state officials, business leaders, local government officials, environmental groups, scientists and others) and merging their diverse opinions into a unified voice on the importance of taking timely steps to improve air quality for the people of Texas.



HELPFUL NUMBERS  
& RESOURCES

OFFICE: 214-653-6668

FAX 214-653-7572

[TINYURL.COM/DISTRICT1NUMBERS](http://TINYURL.COM/DISTRICT1NUMBERS)

# Dallas County is a Welcoming Community

In a 4-1 vote Commissioner Daniel stood with her fellow Democratic court members and proclaimed that Dallas County is a welcoming community for all.

The symbolic resolution states:

*"WHEREAS we strive to make Dallas County a safe and welcoming community that stands on principles of rejecting racial profiling and racially motivated brutality and hate crimes that impacts minority and underrepresented communities, including Black, Brown, Asian, LGBTQ, immigrant and refugee community members. We expect our law enforcement agencies to respond to the needs of our community and to respect, protect and serve all residents, documented and undocumented, to ensure safety for all marginalized people..."*

Dallas County is committed to upholding the law while protecting the dignity of all of its residents.

If you have a need for legal advice, resources available include:

## Catholic Charities Immigration Counseling

(214) 520-6590

(214) 634-7182

(214) 520-6595 (fax)

9461 LBJ Freeway, Ste. 100, Dallas, TX 75243

ccdallas.org

Catholic Charities provides a comprehensive range of immigration services. The program extends family immigration counseling, deportation representation, and citizenship services to immigrants residing in North Texas. Assists and counsels individuals in the process of seeking U.S. citizenship or legal immigration status

## Justice For Our Neighbors DFW

(817) 310-3820

First United Methodist Church

422 Church Street, Grapevine, TX 76051

jfndfw.org

Justice for our Neighbors Dallas-Fort Worth offers free and affordable immigration legal services and engages in advocacy with immigrants. Regular intake clinics are held on the 2nd Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday of each month. Please call 817-310-3820 to set an appointment.

## Additional Clinic Locations:

Arapaho United Methodist Church

1400 W. Arapaho Road, Richardson, TX 75080

(972) 231-1005

Genesis United Methodist Church  
7635 S. Hulen Street, Fort Worth, TX 76113  
(817) 292-4551

## Human Rights Initiative of North Texas

(214) 855-0520

2501 Oak Lawn Ave., Ste. 850, Dallas, TX 75219

hrionline.org

Provides free legal representation for people seeking asylum in the United States. HRI also provides legal representation for children who are in the United States alone (unaccompanied minors) who need immigration assistance.

## Mosaic Family Services

(214) 823-4434 24-hour crisis/shelter hotline

(214) 823-1911 24-hour trafficking hotline

12225 Greenville Avenue #800 Dallas, TX 75243

mosaicfamily.org

The Multicultural Legal Services Department provides free family and immigration law services to survivors of human rights abuses, including human trafficking, and domestic violence. Assistance is available in a variety of languages.

