

# DR. THERESA DANIEL DALLAS COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 1 NEWSLETTER

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## Road & Bridge 1 District Office Follows New Urban Model

Road and Bridge District? Dallas County has four Commissioners Districts, sometimes called a "Road and Bridge District." In addition to serving as voting members of the court, county commissioners are often charged with overseeing county roads

and bridges within their precinct. In Dallas County, two of the four districts have very little unincorporated area to maintain. Because of this, District 1 partners with the Cities within its borders to repair certain types of roads and bridges and has no need for a full-time working road crew. To make full use of the space, the District office on 715 Rowlett Road in Garland has been

used as the Dallas County Auto Service Center (ASC), servicing our fleet of sheriff, public works and health and human services vehicles.

With the construction of the new ASC in DeSoto, Commissioner Theresa Daniel wants to, once again, reinvent the space on Rowlett Road. There will still be a fueling station and a radio tower in service but now, there will also be community-oriented Dallas County and partners services. Look for satellite offices of Dallas County Veterans Affairs, District Attorney, Juvenile and Garland Police. And our long-time partners, Texas A&M Agrilife will continue to be on-site providing instruction on xeriscaping, urban forestry, water reclamation and more in the newly-designed indoor training area and demonstration kitchen.

Please join us for the ribbon cutting  
for this exciting new space in Dallas County District 1!  
June 6, 2018, 10:00 a.m.  
715 Rowlett Rd., Garland TX 75043

**EVERYTHING OLD...  
IS NEW AGAIN!**

Please join Commissioner Theresa Daniel, stakeholders and the community for a ribbon cutting ceremony at the Road and Bridge 1, District Office!

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June 6, 2018, 10:00 a.m.

Call 214-653-6668 for more information

**YOU'RE INVITED!**

## SAVE THE DATE!

### District 1 Annual Town Hall Schedule

Don't miss your chance to learn about Dallas County District 1 and Dallas County services!

Come hear about Trails and Transportation, Mental Health Courts, Tax Office and from your local elected officials. Parkland Hospital, Health and Human Services and Elections will be on location to answer questions.

August 4, 2018 10:00 -11:30 a.m., Road and Bridge 1 District Office (see story on left) 715 Rowlett Rd., Garland, TX 75043

August 6, 2018 6:00 -7:30 p.m., Northwest Community Center in Vickery Meadow, 5750 Pineland Dr., Dallas, TX 75231

August 8, 2018 6:00 -7:30 p.m., Eastfield Pleasant Grove Campus, 802 S. Buckner, Dallas, TX 75217

## Records Building Wall Breaking



*Pictured LEFT to RIGHT: Commissioner John Wiley Price, Commissioner Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, Commissioner Dr. Elba Garcia, County Judge Clay Jenkins, Commissioner Mike Cantrell at the Records Building "Wall Breaking" Ceremony on April 25, 2018. The Ceremony commemorated the construction phase of the historic building's renovation. For a video on the building and its history, visit: <https://vimeo.com/209533676>*

# Metro Dallas Homeless Alliance Forum with Commissioner Daniel and Mayor Rawlings

On May 11, 2018 Dallas County Commissioner Dr. Theresa M. Daniel was the invited guest of the Metro Dallas Homeless Alliance Forum. She was joined by Mayor Mike Rawlings to hear from the homeless about services, needs and issues that are of concern to them. Commissioner Daniel is co-chair, with Councilman Mark Clayton, of the Dallas Area Partnership to End and Prevent Homelessness.

Commissioner Daniel felt it was important to listen to the population she is trying to serve through the Partnership. There was a lively discussion and several immediate needs were addressed by service providers who also came to listen. The input gathered will aid the Partnership and MDHA in creating a meaningful response to homelessness and working to make it rare, brief and non-recurring.



For more information on MDHA's efforts and upcoming public meetings, please visit: [mdhadallas.org](http://mdhadallas.org)



## Yellow, Orange, Red Alerts: It's Ozone Season

It's the time of year when it gets hotter-than-hot and the air gets harder to breathe. You should pay attention to the air quality alerts, especially if you expect to be outside. The North Central Texas Council of Governments issues these alerts (see the chart on the right from the Spring 2018 Air Quality Handbook) to help you survive the hot summer air. Here's scientifically what they are monitoring: ground-level ozone, also commonly referred to as "bad ozone," forms when emissions from transportation, industrial and commercial operations, and natural sources such as vegetation emit nitrogen oxides (NOX) and/or volatile organic compounds (VOC). These pollutants react in the presence of sunlight and heat to create O3. Because ozone is the result of this reaction, NOX and VOC are known as precursor pollutants. Consequently, to limit ozone formation, many of the air quality improvement strategies implemented in North Texas reduce NOX and VOC precursors.

Visit [www.nctcog.org/airquality](http://www.nctcog.org/airquality) for more information or to sign up for email alerts.

### Air Quality Index

The Air Quality Index (AQI) is a scale designed by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for reporting daily air quality. It indicates how clean or polluted the air is, and what associated health effects might be a concern as a result. The EPA assigned a specific color to various levels of ozone concentration to make it easier to understand quickly whether air pollution has reached unhealthy levels. The AQI color for the region and for individual monitors can change hourly based on rolling eight-hour average pollutant levels, explained on page 4.

Color	Air Quality	Actions to Protect Your Health
Green	good	None necessary
Yellow	moderate	Unusually sensitive people should consider limiting prolonged outdoor exertion
Orange	unhealthy for sensitive groups	Active children and adults and people with respiratory disease, such as asthma, should limit prolonged outdoor exertion
Red	unhealthy	Active children and adults and people with respiratory disease, such as asthma, should avoid prolonged outdoor exertion; everyone else, especially children, should limit prolonged outdoor exertion
Purple	very unhealthy	Active children and adults and people with respiratory disease, such as asthma, should avoid all prolonged outdoor exertion; everyone else, especially children, should limit prolonged outdoor exertion

Source: Environmental Protection Agency