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## Garland: The American Dream Made Here

A recent report by financial technology company SmartAsset.com has named Garland among the top five cities in which to pursue the American Dream! The City of Garland partners with neighborhoods and other community organizations to facilitate making that dream a reality.

### Orchard Hills Neighborhood Build Day

In partnership with Saturn Road Church of Christ, Orchard Hills Neighborhood Association, First Baptist Church of Garland and Rohde's Nursery, the City of Garland hosted a "Build Day" in the Orchard Hills neighborhood on June 17.

Neighborhood residents, City staff and volunteers from across the region rolled up their sleeves to build pride and community through neighborhood cleanup, public art, landscaping work and housing repair projects for residents in need of extra help. The day also included a "Pop Up" event where a team of neighborhood residents temporarily transformed a grassy median into a vibrant, public space.

The Orchard Hills Build Day is part of Where the Heart Is—a multifaceted approach to community building that includes public space and infrastructure improvements, housing repair, and community engagement.

Several City departments—such as Code Compliance, Housing & Community Services, Environmental Waste Services and the Office of Neighborhood Vitality—work with neighborhoods every day to make a substantial and lasting positive impact on Garland neighborhoods.

### Garland Ranks Third

SmartAsset.com ranked Garland No. 3 in its list of Best Cities for Living the American Dream. The study considered five different measures of housing and opportunity in 250 of the largest American cities:

- Homeownership rate,
- Median home value,
- Racial and ethnic diversity,
- Unemployment, and
- Intergenerational economic mobility

Garland's exemplary diversity, homeownership rate of 63.4 percent and median home value of \$145,900 easily prove it's one of the best places to achieve personal success, whether raising a family, starting a business or entering retirement. Garland is noted as one of the most diverse cities in the U.S., with no racial or ethnic group making up more than 33 percent of the population. Garland's index score of 0.209 also means its population is only slightly more diverse than that of Los Angeles or New York City!

*Find out more about neighborhood vitality programs on pages 6 and 7 of the Garland City Press and at [GarlandNeighborhoods.org](http://GarlandNeighborhoods.org).*

# Message from the Mayor

Competitive cities, more and more, will be the ones that have a skilled workforce in an ever changing technological environment. Garland is adapting quickly, both in our industrial sector and also under the lead of the Garland ISD and the community college district.

My focus every day is how to best position Garland to compete locally and more broadly. We must be bold on some efforts but even the seemingly small things could generate large rewards.

I recently had the opportunity to visit the Dallas Makerspace, actually in Carrollton, to get an idea of the resources and tools and program that allows members to make things, whether wood products, or jewelry, or crafts, or metal, products, or automotive, or electronics, or 3-D printing, or many other interests. It is a nonprofit run by the members that brings together local artists, makers, thinkers and individuals that have various skill sets to make, to experiment, to learn, and to share that knowledge. This is exactly what we need in Garland because we have long been makers and we have a community of makers. Our city is a city where things are made and visions are created and produced. Having a physical and sound makerspace of our own would be an ideal setting to help fuel the imaginations of designers and innovators that we already have in our city and to be a catalyst that grows skills and interests. Let me know if you are interested, either in helping start one or being a member.

Recently an innovative Garland company, VBike at Massimo helped develop technology now being tested in Dallas for shared bicycles to use around the city. Similarly, we have hundreds of ideas and products made here daily and with



Mayor Douglas Athas  
972-205-2400  
Mayor@GarlandTX.gov

**MAYOR'S EVENING IN**  
5 to 7 p.m. July 27  
Mayor's Office  
City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St.

**MAYOR'S EVENING OUT**  
5 to 7 p.m. August 31  
Holdford Rec. Center  
2314 Homestead Place

To reserve a time, contact  
Mayor@GarlandTX.gov  
or 972-205-2400.

a space like this, the possibilities are endless. It could easily lead to new retail products available nowhere but Garland.

We want to keep Garland a place where we are proud to call our home. You have my commitment that I will work hard to maintain our unique identity, with citizens that care about their community.

As citizens, I continuously ask for your interest, your involvement, and your concern for our community. I encourage you to make your voices heard, and I promise we will listen. We may not be able to solve the issues that plague our country and the world, but we can make a difference right here at home. I invite you to contact me at any time with your suggestions and comments about our city and I look forward to seeing you at one of my Mayor's Evening In or Out sessions in the community.

**Grow Community. Grow Opportunity. Grow Garland.**



## BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS MEETINGS

**Board of Adjustment**  
7 p.m., third Wednesday  
City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St.  
Jolk@GarlandTX.gov

**Citizens Environmental and Neighborhood Advisory Committee**  
7 p.m., second Wednesday  
City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St.  
LBanks@GarlandTX.gov

**Community Multicultural Commission**  
6 p.m., third Thursday  
City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St.  
EDattomo@GarlandTX.gov

**Cultural Arts**  
4 p.m., Tuesday following the third Monday of January, April, July and October  
Granville Arts Center,  
300 N. Fifth St.  
PGranvil@GarlandTX.gov

**Garland Youth Council**  
5:30 p.m., second and fourth Tuesday  
City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St.  
EDattomo@GarlandTX.gov

**Library**  
6 p.m., second Monday  
Central Library, 625 Austin St.  
CBausch@GarlandTX.gov

**Parks & Recreation**  
7 p.m., first Wednesday  
Parks Admin. Building,  
634 W. Apollo Road  
JStevenson@GarlandTX.gov

**Plan Commission**  
7 p.m., second and fourth Monday  
City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St.  
WGuerin@GarlandTX.gov

**Property Standards**  
7 p.m., first Thursday  
City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St.  
SKillen@GarlandTX.gov

**Senior Citizens Advisory**  
9 a.m., first Wednesday  
City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St.  
KMCCord@GarlandTX.gov

*Meeting dates and times subject to change. Additional meeting schedules can be found at GarlandTX.gov.*

## CITY COUNCIL

**Work Session**  
Monday immediately preceding Council meeting

**Regular Meeting**  
7 p.m., first and third Tuesdays of each month  
City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St.

Meetings are broadcast online via live streaming and on-demand, and air on CGTV with several rebroadcasts during the week of the meeting. Visit GarlandTX.gov or watch CGTV Channel 16 (Time Warner Cable/Spectrum), Channel 44 (Frontier) or Channel 99 (AT&T U-verse).

## CGTV LISTINGS

Channel 16 (Time Warner Cable/Spectrum), Channel 44 (Frontier) or Channel 99 (AT&T U-verse)

### City Council Meetings

- Live broadcast—7 p.m. July 5 and 18, Aug. 1 and 15
- Rebroadcast following the meeting Wednesday—9 a.m., Friday—7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday—9 a.m. and 7 p.m.

### City Council Work Sessions

- Live broadcast—6 p.m. July 5, 17 and 31, Aug. 14
- Rebroadcast following the meeting Tuesday, Thursday and Friday—9 a.m. Wednesday and Thursday—7 p.m.

### Plan Commission

- Live broadcast—7 p.m. July 10 and 24, Aug. 28
- Rebroadcast following the meeting Tuesday, Thursday and Friday—9 a.m.

*Meeting dates and times subject to change.*

# New and Returning City Council Members Sworn Into Office

Garland City Council has welcomed three new and two returning representatives. Four members were sworn into office during Council's May 16 Regular Meeting. The Mayor and Council members are elected to two-year terms.



**MAYOR DOUGLAS ATHAS WAS RE-ELECTED FOR HIS THIRD AND FINAL TERM. HE WAS SWORN-IN BY HIS SON, WILLIAM.**



**RE-ELECTED DISTRICT 7 COUNCIL MEMBER SCOTT LEMAY ALSO WILL SERVE HIS THIRD AND FINAL TERM. LEMAY WAS SWORN-IN BY HIS MOTHER KAY GOMEZ.**



**NEWLY ELECTED DISTRICT 6 COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERT VERA WAS SWORN-IN BY HIS WIFE, JEANNE.**



**NEWLY ELECTED DISTRICT 8 COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERT JOHN SMITH WAS SWORN-IN BY HIS WIFE, APRIL.**



**FOLLOWING A RUNOFF ELECTION IN JUNE, NEWLY ELECTED DISTRICT 3 COUNCIL MEMBER JERRY A. NICKERSON WAS SWORN INTO OFFICE JUNE 20 BY HIS DAUGHTER, KATIE.**

Learn about Garland's City Council members by visiting each of their pages at [GarlandTX.gov](http://GarlandTX.gov).

# Deadline Approaching for Garland Advisory Boards and Commissions

Garland residents are encouraged to help carry out the many functions of City government by applying to serve on Garland's advisory boards and commissions. **Applications are available on the City Secretary's webpage at [GarlandTX.gov](http://GarlandTX.gov) and will be accepted through Saturday, July 15.**

Completed applications can be submitted by email to [RDowl@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:RDowl@GarlandTX.gov) or to René Dowl, City Secretary, 200 N. Fifth St., Garland, TX 75040. Applicants will be notified of acceptance by mail after their appointment.

Board members are selected for two-year terms by the City Council. Applicants may apply to serve on the board of their choice; however, certain boards require specific technical skills as noted by ordinance. Because vacancies may arise during the year, all applications are kept on file for one year.

## QUALIFICATIONS

The City Charter and Code of Ordinances establish certain qualifications that must be met by members of boards and commissions. In addition to special qualifications for service, a board member must:

- have been a resident of the state of Texas for one year and of Garland for six months prior to the date of appointment;
- be a qualified voter at time of appointment;
- not be in arrears on City taxes, utility service charges or other obligations owed the City;
- have not been convicted of a felony;
- have not been convicted of a Class A misdemeanor;
- not be an adversary party to pending litigation against the City.

Once appointed, all boards and commissions members must also file a Code of Ethics Disclosure Form with the City Secretary. *For more information, call 972-205-2404.*

**ROCKIN' THE SQUARE**  
A HISTORIC BLOCK PARTY

SAVE THE DATE  
TO CELEBRATE

SATURDAY, OCT. 21  
4 TO 10 P.M.

DOWNTOWN GARLAND WILL CELEBRATE  
ITS LISTING ON THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
WITH LIVE MUSIC, FOOD, AND FUN!

GARLAND  
TEXAS MADE HERE

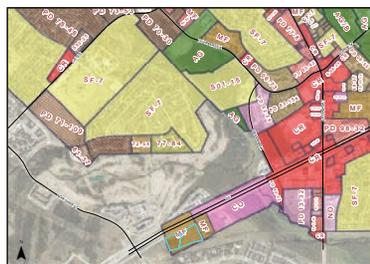
[GARLANDTX.GOV](http://GARLANDTX.GOV)

# What's Being Built There?

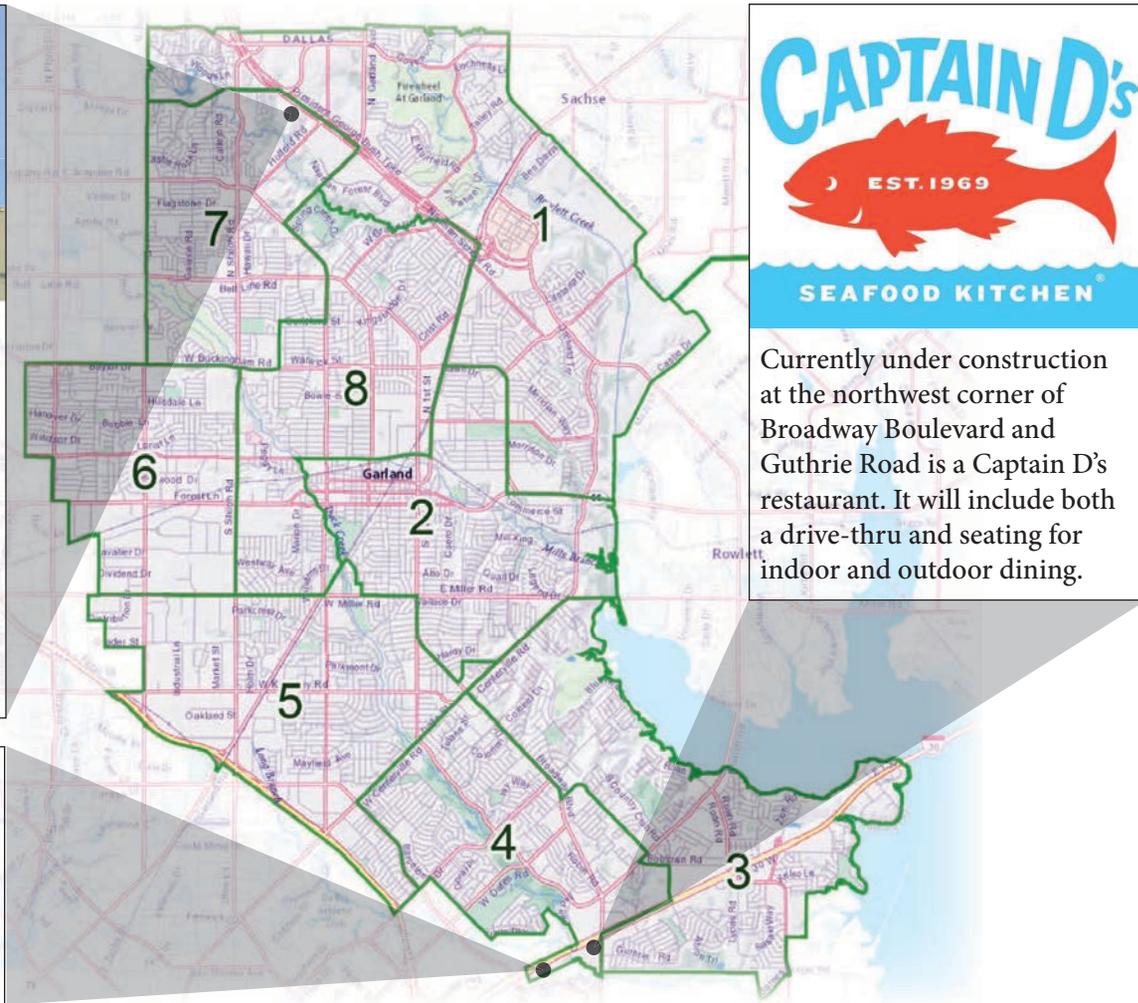
Garland is buzzing with new development. Here are a few projects underway. *Renderings shown are for illustrative and conceptual purposes only.*



Currently under vertical construction on the south side of President George Bush Turnpike (PGBT) between Holford Road and Campbell Road is the Towers at Spring Creek. The development will consist primarily of multi-family uses with some retail, office and parks space. Construction includes an extension of Naaman Forest Boulevard.



Currently under construction along the south side of I-30, east of Northwest Drive, are the "Palladium Garland Apartments," consisting of 140 units.



Currently under construction at the northwest corner of Broadway Boulevard and Guthrie Road is a Captain D's restaurant. It will include both a drive-thru and seating for indoor and outdoor dining.

## Garland Fire Receives Lifeline EMS Recognition Gold Award

For the third year in a row, the Garland Fire Department (GFD) has received the Mission: Lifeline EMS Recognition Gold Award from the American Heart Association.

However, this year the department stepped it up even more and received the 2017 Mission: Lifeline EMS Recognition Gold Plus Award.

The criteria to achieve this award are as follows:

- Percentage of patients with non-traumatic chest pain > 35 years of age, treated and transported by EMS who receives a pre-hospital 12 Lead ECG.
- Percentage of STEMI patients transported to a STEMI Receiving Center, with pre-hospital First Medical Contact (FMC) to Device (PCI) < 90 Minutes.
- Percentage of STEMI patients transported to a STEMI Referring Center with Arrival (to Referring Center) to Fibrinolytic (clot buster) Therapy administration in <30 Minutes.

The criteria to add the Plus to the award are as follows:

- Percentage of 12 lead ECGs performed on patients in the field with an initial complaint of non-traumatic chest pain > 35 years (who were transported), within 10 minutes of EMS (12 lead capable) arrival to the patient.
- Percentage of hospital notifications or 12 lead transmissions suggesting a STEMI alert (or CCL activation) that are performed within 10 minutes of the first STEMI positive 12 lead ECG in the field.
- Percentage of patients with non-traumatic chest pain > 35 years, treated and transported by EMS who received aspirin either by EMS administration, Dispatch instruction or patient self-administration.

GFD credits this award to the great work of its field paramedics and to the collaboration between Fire, Dispatch and Baylor Scott & White Medical Center. *For more information on GFD and its emergency medical services, visit [GarlandFire.com](http://GarlandFire.com).*

## Now Accepting Applications for the Citizen Police Academy

The Garland Police Department is accepting applications for the Fall 2017 Citizen Police Academy. This free program is hosted by Garland Police and will run Aug. 10 to Nov. 2. Class meets every Thursday from 7 to 10 p.m. and on Saturday, Oct. 7. Participants will learn about the many divisions within the Police Department, have an opportunity to drive a Garland Police vehicle on a timed course and shoot a department-issued Glock pistol. Highlights of the class will involve a ride-along with a police officer and observations of the 911 call center and City jail.

*To apply, download an application at [GarlandPolice.com](http://GarlandPolice.com) (Community Programs) or email Officer Alberto Irizarry at [IrizarryA@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:IrizarryA@GarlandTX.gov).*





# New GISD School Hours for 2017-18

AM Prekindergarten .....	7:45-11:19 a.m.
PM Prekindergarten ...	11:49 a.m.-3:23 p.m.
Elementary School .....	8:10 a.m.-3:20 p.m.
Middle School .....	8:50 a.m.-4 p.m.
High School .....	7:30 a.m.-2:40 p.m.
GRCTC .....	7:15 a.m.-2:45 p.m.

**2017-18 First Day of School: Aug. 28**

# Summer NUTRITION PROGRAM

## Education, Exercise, and Eating Right

The City of Garland's annual Summer Nutrition Program kicked off June 5. The program ends Aug. 4.

The Summer Nutrition Program offers free nutritious meals to children ages 1-18 and young adults with disabilities when school is out for the summer. No registration or proof of income is required.

Meals alternate between hot and cold entrees, while selected sites also provide cold breakfast. The meal sites are located in areas where more than 50 percent of children are eligible for free or reduced-price meals under the National School Lunch Program. Most meal sites will offer activities that support the "3 E's of Healthy Living:" education, exercise and eating right. The summer activities are designed to exercise the body and stimulate the mind making for an easier transition back into the school year.



See a schedule of this year's meal sites on the Fair Housing Services page at [GarlandTX.gov](http://GarlandTX.gov).

Come discover a new way to have fun! For more information, call Program Coordinator Pamela Harris at 972-205-3335 or email [PHarris@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:PHarris@GarlandTX.gov).

## Clear the Shelters Day: Saturday, Aug. 19

Find your perfect match on Clear the Shelters Day, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19. During this time, Garland Animal Services will join animal shelters across North Texas to waive pet adoption fees in an effort to find homes for hundreds of pets across the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. Garland pet adoptions will take place at the Abe J. Tuggle Animal Shelter, 600 Tower St., and at the Garland Pet Adoption Center, 813 Main St.

Last year's Clear the Shelters campaign resulted in record-breaking adoptions and helped educate the public on the benefits of adopting shelter animals.

See a list of participating shelters, adoption policies and other important information at [CleartheShelters.com](http://CleartheShelters.com).



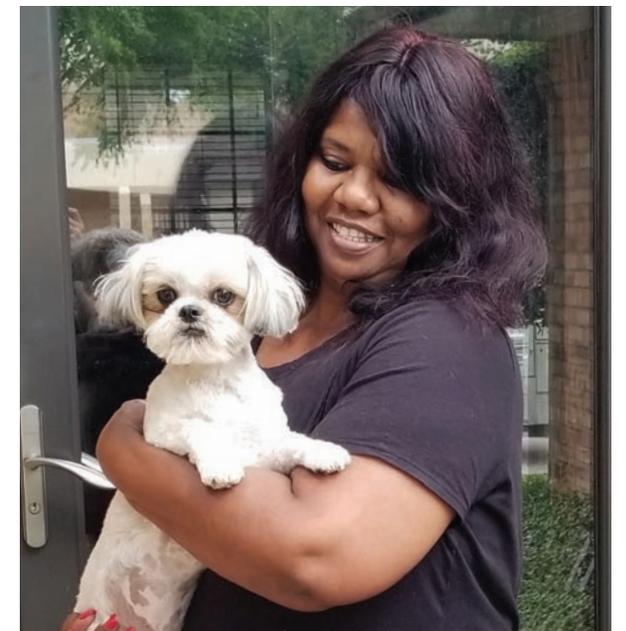
## Pet Microchipping for the Win!

Earlier this year, the City of Garland changed its Code of Ordinances to replace pet registrations with mandatory microchips for all newly adopted pets and pets reclaimed by their owners.

The idea to revise the city ordinance was well received by our City Council. During the discussion phase, District 7 Councilman and Mayor Pro Tem Scott LeMay suggested microchips be used to identify pet owners of animals impounded in the field so those pets could be returned to their owners without the animal ever visiting the shelter. This "field return" program benefits the Garland Animal Services Department, the citizens and the lost pets by minimizing the amount of animals that come to the shelter, minimizing the risk of animals getting sick at the animal shelter and saving pet owners hundreds of dollars in impoundment fees.

Aside from making pet identification easier, this change encouraged Animal Service Officers (ASOs) to provide an enhanced service—while in the field, ASOs now scan all animals for microchips and make an attempt to return pets to their owners if a microchip is found. Since replacing pet registrations with microchips, Garland Animal Services has returned 19 dogs to their owners, without taking any of the dogs to the animal shelter!

Microchipping can be done at the Abe J. Tuggle Animal Shelter, 600 Tower St., during normal business hours. Cost is \$25. For questions about this new ordinance or to microchip your pet, call 972-205-3570 or email to [AnimalServices@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:AnimalServices@GarlandTX.gov).



**DOG IS RETURNED TO HIS HOME AT NO COST TO THE OWNER, THANKS TO GARLAND'S NEW MICROCHIPPING ORDINANCE!**

# City of Garland Neighborhood Vitality Staff Projects

Staff-Initiated Neighborhood Vitality Projects, spearheaded by the Office of Neighborhood Vitality (ONV), enrich Garland neighborhoods while beautifying the city, creating new community assets and fostering a positive sense of place. Working with three Garland neighborhoods, the ONV collaborated with multiple City departments to maximize each project's impact.

## TOWN NORTH VILLAGE

The Town North Village project provided a unique solution to a neighborhood problem while simultaneously working to beautify a major corridor near the border of Garland and Richardson. A screening wall, though structurally sound, suffered from severely chipped paint and cosmetic deterioration, which was not representative of the friendly and dedicated neighbors within the walls. Collaborating with the neighborhood, staff devised an innovative solution with artistic metal panels that feature native plants and animals, including local pollinators and the firewheel flower.



## CHANDLER HEIGHTS

The Chandler Heights project transformed two City-owned median spaces into community gathering spaces. After gathering feedback from residents, the Garland City Council approved the installation of neighborhood recognition signs made of limestone, which can also be used as benches, and additional landscaping. The neighborhood association hosted its annual block party in the larger space, with neighborhood teens and firefighters playing soccer and multigenerational families arranging impromptu photo shoots.

## ARMSTRONG PARK - NEW WORLD CRIME WATCH

The New World Crime Watch has been an active neighborhood association for many years, but as their strength and numbers grew, they expanded their neighborhood goals to improve community health. The Armstrong Park project delivered on this goal through a partnership with Parks & Recreation to add new outdoor fitness equipment along the existing park trail, which serves all ages and life stages. Keep Garland Beautiful also joined the effort and installed a butterfly garden around the park sign, accompanied by educational signage where the community can learn about the pollinator and plant life cycle. On June 3, a celebration was held to ignite the neighborhood and celebrate a healthier, safer community.



## STAR-SPANGLED SPECTACULAR

Monday, July 3  
4-9PM

9:15PM Fireworks

Visit [FirewheelTownCenter.com](http://FirewheelTownCenter.com)  
for more details.

  
**FIREWHEEL  
TOWN CENTER**  
A SIMON MALL

SPONSORED BY  
 **GARLAND**  
TEXAS MADE HERE

A private social network for your neighborhood!

Nextdoor is a great way to be connected with what's happening in your neighborhood and receive City updates. This online platform allows neighbors to share recommendations, organize events, report suspicious activities, reunite lost pets with their owners and more!

 **Nextdoor**  
join for free at [nextdoor.com](http://nextdoor.com)

# Neighborhood Vitality Matching Grant: Letter of Intent Due July 23

The Neighborhood Vitality Matching Grant (NVMG) program enables registered neighborhood groups, both voluntary and mandatory, to apply for matching funds for physical enhancement projects in publicly accessible spaces. These projects encourage neighbors to work together to create projects unique to their neighborhood while boosting a sense of pride and ownership.

Letters of Intent (LOI) should be submitted to the Office of Neighborhood Vitality by July 23. LOI forms, applications and guidelines can be downloaded at [GarlandNeighborhoods.org](http://GarlandNeighborhoods.org).

Attend the NVMG Workshop at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 8, to receive technical assistance and to learn helpful tips for completing a successful project. Register now at [GarlandNeighborhoods.org](http://GarlandNeighborhoods.org)!

Questions? Email us at [Neighborhoods@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:Neighborhoods@GarlandTX.gov) or call 972-205-2445.



## YES WE CAN!

BUILDING STRONG  
NEIGHBORHOODS  
TOGETHER

**6 P.M. AUG. 16, 800 MAIN ST.**

Great neighborhoods depend on ALL residents working together to create safe, healthy and vibrant places to live. If you've never been involved in your neighborhood or if you're interested in energizing your neighborhood group in fun and engaging ways, this is the class for you! Join us to learn how you can play a vital role in building stronger communities and better neighborhoods.

Register now at [GarlandNeighborhoods.org](http://GarlandNeighborhoods.org), or call 972-205-2445 for more information.



## FIREWHEEL GOLF PARK

# SUMMER SPECIALS



A Golf Experience  
for All Ages

### AT THE OLD AND LAKES COURSES

**OFFERS VALID THROUGH AUG. 31, 2017**

- \$5 burger with chips and fountain drink at Grill 64
- Juniors (17 and under) play free with adult green fee
- Summertime tournament pricing specials – Call 972-205-3917

### JUNIOR GOLF CAMP

**FOR BOYS AND GIRLS OF ALL SKILL LEVELS**

**AGES 7-16**

**\$165 (INCLUDES LUNCH)**

**OLD COURSE**

**600 W. CAMPBELL ROAD**

Learn how to play and enjoy the game of golf! With instruction from Firewheel Golf Park staff, all aspects of golf will be covered—from the driving range to the putting green and the golf course.

- 8 to 11:30 a.m., July 17-20
- 8 to 11:30 a.m., Aug. 7-10

Call 972-205-2765 to register.



# 2016 Garland Power & Light Financials

For fiscal year 2016, GP&L reduced the Recovery Adjustment Factor (RAF) component of the rate by 3/4-cent for electric service.

The loss for fiscal year 2016 reflects GP&L's planned reduction in fund balance and the payoff of TMPA generation debt by fiscal year 2018.

	September 30,		September 30,	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
<b>ASSETS</b>				
<b>Current Assets:</b>				
Cash and investments	\$ 53,199,258	51,095,587		
Inventories	4,269,106	4,086,794		
Receivables and others	41,070,082	56,330,203		
Total current assets	98,538,446	111,512,584		
<b>Restricted Assets:</b>				
Cash and investments	190,760,015	186,696,376		
Accrued interest receivable	245,782	174,269		
Total restricted assets	191,005,797	186,870,645		
<b>Property, plant, and equipment - net of accumulated depreciation</b>				
	412,675,476	376,275,423		
<b>Other Assets</b>				
	139,442,598	177,358,294		
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 841,662,317</b>	<b>852,016,946</b>		
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>				
From current assets				
Payables	\$ 41,613,891	53,329,176		
<b>Long Term Liabilities:</b>				
From restricted assets				
Accounts payable	3,325,148	1,110,428		
Retainage payable	145,959	53,698		
Total payables from restricted assets	3,471,107	1,164,126		
Bonds payable and Other	422,846,262	401,066,227		
Total long term liabilities	426,317,369	402,230,353		
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>467,931,260</b>	<b>455,559,529</b>		
<b>EQUITY</b>				
<b>Retained earnings:</b>				
Invested in capital assets, net of debt	153,918,287	141,802,810		
Restricted	178,325,654	177,452,404		
Unrestricted	41,487,116	77,202,203		
Total retained earnings	373,731,057	396,457,417		
<b>Total Liabilities, Contributed Capital, and Retained Earnings</b>	<b>\$ 841,662,317</b>	<b>852,016,946</b>		

	September 30,	
	2016	2015
<b>Operating revenues:</b>		
Charges for service	\$ 278,334,789	338,473,487
Other	635,617	705,531
Total operating revenues	278,970,406	339,179,018
<b>Operating expenses before depreciation:</b>		
Fuel purchases/Demand Charges	162,680,198	233,844,516
Operating expenses	41,180,788	36,711,697
General and administrative	13,109,511	12,157,156
Total operating expenses before depreciation	216,970,497	282,713,369
Operating income before depreciation	61,999,909	56,465,649
Depreciation and Amortization expense	50,820,326	20,968,204
<b>Operating Income</b>	<b>11,179,583</b>	<b>35,497,445</b>
<b>Nonoperating revenues (expenses):</b>		
Return on investment	(19,451,298)	(19,451,298)
Earnings on investments	1,405,124	1,531,555
Interest expense	(11,312,217)	(9,882,342)
Other	(1,477,865)	(6,197,673)
Net transfers	(3,069,687)	(1,974,870)
Net nonoperating revenue (expense)	(33,905,943)	(35,974,628)
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	<b>(22,726,360)</b>	<b>(477,183)</b>
Retained earnings at beginning of year	396,457,417	393,947,550
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	-	2,987,050
<b>Retained earnings at end of year</b>	<b>\$ 373,731,057</b>	<b>396,457,417</b>

Audited financial statements providing greater detail can be obtained from the City of Garland Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2016. The CAFR report is located on the City of Garland website at <http://www.garlandtx.gov/gov/eg/finance/compfinreport.asp>

## GP&L Recognized Nationally for Reliable Service

In May, Garland Power & Light (GP&L) was again named a Reliable Public Power Provider. The designation, presented by the American Public Power Association, honors commitment to reliability, safety, workforce development and system improvement.

Supporting this recognition are GP&L's reliability scores, which beat national averages. GP&L reports an average .4

interruptions annually per customer and an average outage duration of only 15 minutes. Nationally, these scores average .9 per customer and 63 minutes for length of outage.

GP&L employees work around the clock to ensure customers have the power they need. Should an outage occur, please contact 972-305-3000, and your issue will be addressed promptly.

## Summer Energy Conservation Tips from GP&L

- **Set your thermostat to 78° or higher in the summer.** Each degree cooler can increase your energy use by 6 to 8 percent.
- **Clean or replace A/C filters every month.** Dirty filters will make your system work harder and run longer than necessary.
- **Leaks around windows and doors let cool air escape.** Prevent this by re-caulking windows or replacing weather stripping.
- **Fans are an energy-efficient way to stay cool.** Fans blowing directly on you can make the air feel up to 4° cooler.

For more energy conservation tips, visit [gpltexas.org/energytips](http://gpltexas.org/energytips).





# 2017 Water Quality Report

**IN 1996, CONGRESS AMENDED THE SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT REQUIRING COMMUNITY SYSTEMS TO PROVIDE CUSTOMERS WITH AN ANNUAL REPORT OF THE QUALITY OF THEIR DRINKING WATER. WE ARE PROUD TO PRESENT OUR ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT. THIS REPORT COVERS ALL TESTING COMPLETED BETWEEN JANUARY 1 AND DECEMBER 31, 2016.**

The Garland Water Utilities (GWU) is a municipal water distribution and wastewater collection utility that is owned by the City of Garland. Treated drinking water is purchased from the North Texas Municipal Water District and delivered to the residents and businesses of Garland. The wastewater system collects, treats and releases the water that we send down the drain after use. For both systems, rigorous testing is conducted every month to ensure the quality of our drinking water and the proper handling of our wastewater.

An electronic copy of this report is available at [GarlandWater.com](http://GarlandWater.com).

Español: Este informe incluye información importante sobre el agua potable. Si tiene preguntas o comentarios sobre este informe en español, favor de llamar al tel. 972-205-3213 para hablar con una persona bilingue en español.

## **WHERE DOES MY WATER COME FROM?**

All of Garland's treated water is purchased from the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD). The water district pumps surface water from five sources: Lavon Lake, Jim Chapman Lake, Lake Tawakoni, Lake Texoma and the East Fork Raw Water Supply Project, commonly known as the 'wetland.' Lavon Lake is currently the primary source of raw water. NTMWD conducts daily tests on both the raw water in Lavon Lake and the treated water they deliver to the City of Garland. The treated water is stored in eight ground storage tanks and three elevated storage tanks. Garland Water Utilities distribution and collection system includes approximately 2,100 miles of pipeline. A centralized water control system and customer call center with on-call maintenance assures that safe, high quality water is available to customers 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

## **ALL DRINKING WATER MAY CONTAIN CONTAMINANTS**

To ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) prescribes regulations limiting the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk.

The sources of drinking water (both tap and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and in some cases, radioactive material and substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include: Microbial Contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife;

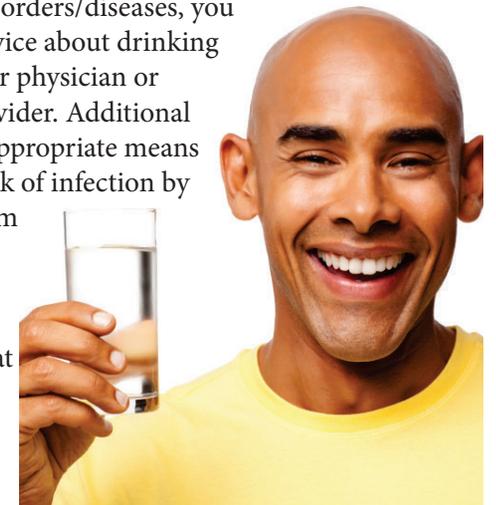
Inorganic Contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or may result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; Pesticides and Herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses; Organic Chemical Contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, which may also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems; Radioactive Contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or may be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Contaminants may be found in drinking water that may cause taste, color, or odor problems. These types of problems are not necessarily causes for health concerns. For more information on taste, color, or odor of drinking water, please contact our business office. For more information about contaminants and potential health effects, call the EPA's Safe Drinking Hotline at 800-426-4791.



## **IMPORTANT HEALTH INFORMATION**

You may be more vulnerable than the general population to certain microbial contaminants, such as cryptosporidium, in drinking water. Infants, some elderly or immuno-compromised persons, such as those undergoing chemotherapy for cancer; those who have undergone organ transplants; those who are undergoing treatment with steroids; and people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, can be particularly at risk from infections. If you suffer from one of these disorders/diseases, you should seek advice about drinking water from your physician or health care provider. Additional guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium are available from the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 800-426-4791.



## CRYPTOSPORIDIUM IN WATER

Cryptosporidium is a protozoan that is so small it can be seen only with a microscope. It affects the digestive tract of humans and animals. At this time, there is no specific drug therapy proven to be effective, but people with healthy immune systems will usually recover within two weeks. Symptoms of infection include nausea, diarrhea and abdominal cramps. However, immuno-compromised people are at greater risk of developing a life-threatening illness. We encourage immuno-compromised individuals to consult their doctor regarding appropriate precautions to take to avoid infection. Cryptosporidium must be ingested to cause disease, and it may be spread through means other than drinking water.

The NTMWD has tested the lake and treated water for the presence of cryptosporidium for several years and it was absent in all of the samples tested.



## LEAD IN WATER

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Garland Water Utilities is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at [www.epa.gov/safewater/lead](http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead).

## SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has completed a Source Water Susceptibility Report for all drinking water systems that own their sources. This report describes the susceptibility and types of contaminants that may come into contact with the drinking water source based on human activities and natural conditions. NTMWD received the assessment report. For information on how you may obtain a copy of this report, contact Bobby Jacobs at 972-205-3218.

## COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

Garland Water Utilities is part of the City government. The Garland City Council meets the first and third Tuesday of each month beginning at 7 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 200 North Fifth St. Meetings are broadcast live on CGTV, the City government access channel on cable.

Garland City Council supports water efficiency and encourages residents to do their part in conserving this limited natural resource by using water wisely.

## CONSERVING WATER

Severe drought conditions and necessary water restrictions remind us just how precious water is and how much we tend to take it for granted. With less than 1% of the earth's fresh water source available, we need to learn to use water wisely. Water conservation is critical for meeting both local and the state's long-term water needs.



## SAMPLING RESULTS

During the past year, several hundreds of water samples have been taken to determine the presence of any radioactive, biological, inorganic, volatile organic or synthetic organic contaminants. The results of this testing are displayed in the table on the next two pages. The state allows the City to monitor for certain substances less than once per year because the concentrations of those substances do not change frequently. In these cases, the most recent sample data are included, along with the year in which it was taken. This report includes a list of all substances with level ranges that were greater than zero. For a complete list of tested substances, visit [GarlandWater.com](http://GarlandWater.com).

## LAWN WATERING

Many homes and businesses in Garland are equipped with automatic sprinkler systems that can account for more than 50% of water use during the summer months. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) estimates that approximately 40% of outdoor water use is wasted due to the overwatering of lawns. Establishing a lawn watering schedule is effective in reducing water waste.

Lawn watering schedule should change throughout the year based on weather patterns, the presence of drought conditions or limited water supplies. To see current watering schedules, visit [GarlandWater.com](http://GarlandWater.com).



Coliform Bacteria						
Maximum Contaminant Level Goal	Total Coliform Maximum Contaminant Level	Highest No. of Positive	Fecal Coliform or E. Coli Maximum Contaminant Level	Total No. of Positive E. Coli or Fecal Coliform Samples	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
0	5% Positive Samples	1.7	0	1	No	Naturally present in the environment.

**NOTE:** Reported monthly tests found no fecal coliform bacteria. Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful, bacteria may be present. Maximum level of 5% total Coliform

Regulated Contaminants								
Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2016	25	12.5 - 33.4	No goal for the total	60	ppb	No	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHm)	2016	33	13.2 - 36.3	No goal for the total	80	ppb	No	
Bromate	2016	6	0.0 - 6.0	5	10	ppb	No	By-product of drinking water ozonation

**NOTE:** Not all sample results may have been used for calculating the Highest Level Detected because some results may be part of an evaluation to determine where compliance sampling should occur in the future.

Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Antimony	2016	Lower than detection level	0.00 - 0.00	6	6	ppb	No	Discharge from petroleum refineries; fire retardants; ceramics; electronics; solder; and test addition.
Arsenic	2016	0.9	0.00 - 0.9	0	10	ppb	No	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.
Barium	2016	0.061	0.042 - 0.061	2	2	ppm	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.
Beryllium	2016	Lower than detection level	0 - 0	4	4	ppb	No	Discharge from metal refineries and coal-burning factories; discharge from electrical, aerospace, and defense industries.
Cadmium	2016	Lower than detection level	0 - 0	5	5	ppb	No	Corrosion of galvanized pipes; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from metal refineries; runoff from waste batteries and paints.
Chromium	2016	1.2	0.52 - 1.20	100	100	ppb	No	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride	2016	0.93	0.13 - 0.93	4	4	ppm	No	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Mercury	2016	Lower than detection level	0 - 0	2	2	ppb	No	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from refineries and factories; runoff from landfills; runoff from cropland.
Nitrate (measured as Nitrogen)	2016	1	0.535 - 0.684	10	10	ppm	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks; sewage; erosion of natural deposits.
Selenium	2016	3.4	1.4 - 3.4	50	50	ppb	No	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines.
Thallium	2016	Lower than detection level	0 - 0	0.5	2	ppb	No	Discharge from electronics, glass, and leaching from ore-processing sites; drug factories.

**Nitrate Advisory:** Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of rainfall or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant you should ask advice from your health care provider.

Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Beta/positron emitters	5/2/2016	5.6	5.6 - 5.6	0	50	pCi/L	No	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.

Synthetic organic contaminants including pesticides and herbicides	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Atrazine	2016	0.61	0.31 - 0.61	3	3	ppb	No	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops.
Di (2-ethylhexyl) adipate	2016	Lower than detection level	0.00 - 0.00	400	400	ppb	No	Discharge from chemical factories.
Di (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	2016	Lower than detection level	0.0 - 0.0	0	6	ppb	No	Discharge from rubber and chemical factories.
Simazine	2016	Lower than detection level	0 - 0	4	4	ppb	No	Herbicide runoff.

Turbidity				
	Limit (Treatment Technique)	Level Detected	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Highest single measurement	1 NTU	0.78 NTU	No	Soil runoff.
Lowest monthly percentage (%) meeting limit	0.3 NTU	96.20%	No	Soil runoff.

**NOTE:** Turbidity is a measurement of the cloudiness of the water caused by suspended particles. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of water quality and the effectiveness of our filtration.

## WATER LOSS

The State of Texas requires retail public utilities to report its annual water loss to its customers. Water loss is usually the result of line leaks, water main breaks, line flushes and inaccurate meters. In 2016, Garland Water Utilities reported a water loss of 9.72% to the Texas Water Development Board.

## TABLE DEFINITIONS

**AL (Action Level)** The concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

**MCL (Maximum Contaminant Level)** The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

**MCLG (Maximum Contaminant Level Goal)** The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

### MRDL (Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level)

The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

### MRDLG (Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal)

The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

**ND (Not Detected)** Indicated that the substance was not found by laboratory analysis.

**NTU (Nephelometric Turbidity Units)** Measurement of the clarity or turbidity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

**TT (Treatment Technique)** A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

**PPM (Parts Per Million)** One part substance per million parts water or milligrams per liter - mg/L

**PPB (Parts Per Billion)** One part substance per billion parts water or micrograms per liter - ug/L

### Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level

Disinfectant Type	Year	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MRDL	MRDLG	Units	Source of Chemical
Chlorine Residual (Chloramines)	2016	3.03	0.2	4.7	4.0	<4.0	ppm	Disinfectant used to control microbes.
Chlorine Dioxide	2016	0	0	0	0.8	0.8	ppm	Disinfectant.
Chlorite	2016	0	0	0.115	1.0	N/A	ppm	Disinfectant.

### Total Organic Carbon

	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	Units	Likely Source of Contamination
Source Water	2016	4.23	3.14 - 4.23	ppm	Naturally present in the environment.
Drinking Water	2016	2.8	1.37 - 2.80	ppm	Naturally present in the environment.
Removal Ratio	2016	63.9%	25.7% - 63.9%	% removal *	N/A

**NOTE:** Total organic carbon (TOC) has no health effects. The disinfectant can combine with TOC to form disinfection by-products. Disinfection is necessary to ensure that water does not have unacceptable levels of pathogens. By-products of disinfection include trihalomethanes (THMs) and haloacetic acids (HAA) which are reported elsewhere in this report. \* **Removal ratio is the percent of TOC removed by the treatment process divided by the percent of TOC required by TCEQ to be removed.**

### Lead and Copper

Contaminants	Collection Date	Number of Sites Over AL	90th Percentile	MCLG	MCL	Units	Likely Source of Contamination	Violation
Copper	2016	4	1.2	1.3	1.3	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives; corrosion of household plumbing systems.	
Lead	2016	0	2.03	0	15	ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits.	

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### Cryptosporidium and Giardia

Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	Units	Likely Source of Contamination
Cryptosporidium	2016	0	0 - 0	(Oo) Cysts/L	Human and animal fecal waste
Giardia	2016	0	0 - 0	(Oo) Cysts/L	Human and animal fecal waste

**Note:** Taken on treated water samples

### Unregulated Contaminants

Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	Units	Likely Source of Contamination	
Chloroform	2016	15	4.84 - 22.6	ppb	By-product of drinking water disinfection.	
Bromoform	2016	2	1.0 - 1.46	ppb	By-product of drinking water disinfection.	
Bromodichloromethane	2016	11	5.24 - 11.6	ppb	By-product of drinking water disinfection.	
Dibromochloromethane	2016	6	2.9 - 8.5	ppb	By-product of drinking water disinfection.	
<b>NOTE:</b> Bromoform, chloroform, dichlorobromomethane, and dibromochloromethane are disinfection by-products. There is no maximum contaminant level for these chemicals at the entry point to distribution.						
N-nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA)	2009	0.0023	0 - 0.0023	ppb	By-product of manufacturing process.	
Bromochloromethane	2015	Sample EP001	0.128	<0.06 - 0.128	ug/L	Used as a fire-extinguishing fluid, an explosive suppressant and as a solvent in the manufacturing of pesticides.
Chlorate	2015	Sample EP001	1220	596 - 1220	ug/L	Used in agriculture as defoliant or desiccants and may occur in drinking water related to use of disinfectants such as chlorine dioxide
Chromium Total	2015	Sample EP001	0.264	0.254 - 0.264	ug/L	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits
Molybdenum Total	2015	Sample EP001	1.09	<1.0 - 1.09	ug/L	Naturally-occurring element and is commonly used as molybdenum trioxide as a chemical reagent
Strontium Total	2015	Sample EP001	795	499 - 795	ug/L	Naturally-occurring element used as strontium carbonate in pyrotechnics, in steel production, as a catalyst and as a lead scavenger
Vanadium Total	2015	Sample EP001	0.222	<0.2 - 0.222	ug/L	Naturally-occurring element commonly used as vanadium pentoxide in the production of other substances and as a catalyst
Chlorate	2015	Sample MR001	1190	442 - 1190	ug/L	Chlorate compounds are used in agriculture as defoliant or desiccants and may occur in drinking water related to use of disinfectants such as chlorine dioxide
Chromium Total	2015	Sample MR001	0.323	<0.2 - 0.323	ug/L	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits
Molybdenum Total	2015	Sample MR001	1.14	<1.0 - 1.14	ug/L	Naturally-occurring element and is commonly used as molybdenum trioxide as a chemical reagent
Strontium Total	2015	Sample MR001	826	510 - 826	ug/L	Naturally-occurring element used as strontium carbonate in pyrotechnics, in steel production, as a catalyst and as a lead scavenger
Vanadium Total	2015	Sample MR001	0.416	<0.2 - 0.416	ug/L	Naturally-occurring element commonly used as vanadium pentoxide in the production of other substances and as a catalyst

**NOTE:** Unregulated contaminants are those for which EPA has not established drinking water standards. The purpose of unregulated contaminant monitoring is to assist EPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether future regulation is warranted. Any unregulated contaminants detected are reported in this report. For additional information and data visit <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/ucmr/ucmr2/index.html>, or call the Safe Water Hotline at 800-426-4791.

### Secondary and Other Constituents Not Regulated (No associated adverse health effects)

Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	Units	Likely Source of Contamination
Bicarbonate	2014	92.3	90.9 - 92.3	ppm	Corrosion of carbonate rocks such as limestone.
Calcium	2016	85.2	30.7 - 85.2	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.
Chloride	2016	70.3	15.2 - 70.3	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element; used in water purification; by-product of oil field activity.
Hardness as Ca/Mg	2016	238	159 - 238	ppm	Naturally occurring calcium and magnesium.
Iron	2016	0.02	0 - 0.02	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; iron or steel water delivery equipment or facilities.
Magnesium	2016	6.65	5.85 - 6.65	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.
Manganese	2016	0.017	0.0005 - 0.017	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.
Nickel	2016	0.0041	0.0025 - 0.0041	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits.
pH	2016	9.00	7.1 - 9.0	units	Measure of corrosivity of water.
Sodium	2016	77.4	26.8 - 77.4	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; by-product of oil field activity.
Sulfate	2016	144	69 - 144	ppm	Naturally occurring; common industrial by-product; by-product of oil field activity.
Total Alkalinity as CaCO3	2016	117	60 - 117	ppm	Naturally occurring soluble mineral salts.
Total Dissolved Solids	2016	556	194 - 556	ppm	Total dissolved mineral constituents in water.
Total Hardness as CaCO3	2016	268	80 - 268	ppm	Naturally occurring calcium.
Zinc	2016	0.013	0.000 - 0.013	ppm	Moderately abundant naturally occurring element used in the metal industry.

## UNREGULATED CONTAMINANTS

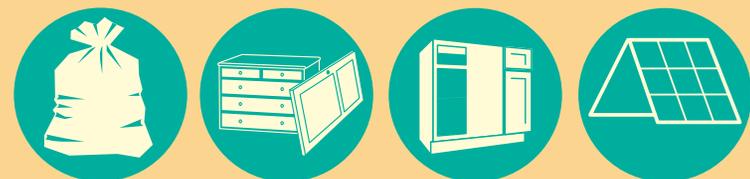
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# Landfill Opens Citizens' Convenience Center

The Citizens' Convenience Center was opened in June to offer customers a safe, convenient place at the C.M. Hinton Jr. Regional Landfill to unload solid waste. Cars, vans and pickup trucks may use the center; however, trailers must be taken to the working site.

Items accepted at the convenience center:

- Bagged insulation
- Bulky goods
- Home remodeling material
- Household trash
- Roofing



To reduce landfill impact, the following items should be recycled in the designated containers at the convenience center:

- Clothing
- Hats
- Metal
- Pallets
- Pots/pans
- Purses/bags
- Shoes
- Stuffed animals



Items accepted at the landfill's working site, but not at the convenience center:

- Brick
- Fencing
- Dirt
- Dead animals



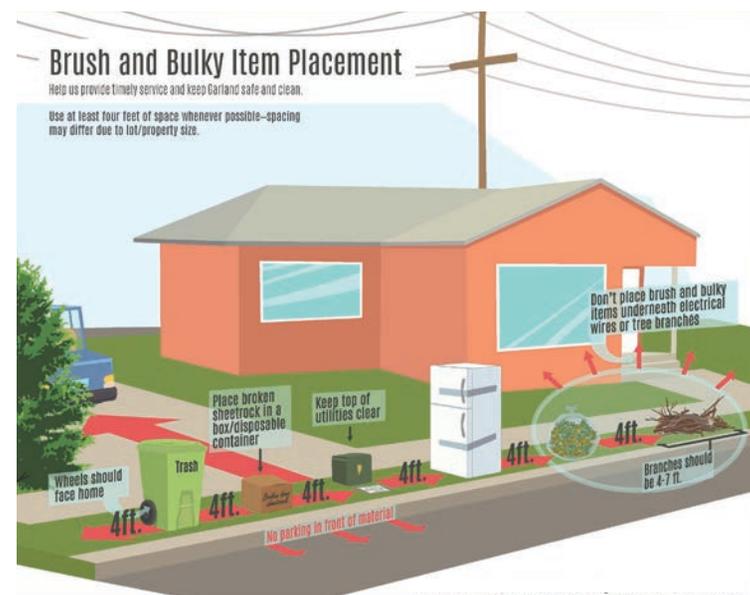
Garland residents may pick up free mulch at the convenience center with proof of residency in the form of a valid driver's license or current utility bill. Mulch is self-service.

Visit [GarlandEnvironmentalWaste.com](http://GarlandEnvironmentalWaste.com) to learn more about the City's landfill. Call 972-205-3500 or email [EWS@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:EWS@GarlandTX.gov) with any questions.

# Location! Location! Location!

Garland Environmental Waste Services (EWS) provides efficient, cost-effective solid waste collection and disposal services. To achieve this, we need everyone's help! Here's what residents can do on collection days to make trash, recycling and bulky collection a breeze for everyone:

- **Make sure the lid completely closes after placing bagged and tied trash inside the cart.** Leaving trash or recycling outside the container delays service, attracts pests and can result in litter.
- **On pickup days, pull carts away from fences or walls to avoid damage.** Equipment operators assume that carts placed directly against a fence are empty.
- **Our trucks are big and some alleys are pretty tight.** Do not place carts directly in the alley or street.
- **If material is behind a parked vehicle, we are unable to pick it up.** Leave at least 4 feet between the cart and the vehicle.
- **Place carts with the wheels facing the home rather than the street.** Doing so keeps the lid intact. Remember to leave at least 4 feet between carts so there is enough room to empty each container.
- **Make sure only clean and dry plastic, aluminum, steel, tin, paper and cardboard go into the blue recycling carts.**
- **For brush and bulky pickup, sheet rock should be broken up and placed in boxes or other disposable containers.** Broken glass should be placed in a labeled box for pickup. Everything should be bagged, bundled or stacked for speedy service.
- **Keep electrical boxes and other utility connections free from brush and debris to prevent damage.**
- **Keep brush and branches out of the landfill by placing them separately at the curb—away from other trash.** Tree limbs are mulched and offered to Garland residents at no cost. If brush is mixed in with other bulky items, all of the material has to go to the landfill.
- **Paint, light bulbs, batteries, chemicals and other household hazardous waste cannot be picked up by EWS.** Please take these items to the Dallas County Home Chemical Collection Center located at 11234 Plano Road—this service is at no cost to residents.



By doing our part and following these simple guidelines, we can help make Garland a cleaner and greener place to live, work and play. Learn more about the City's solid waste and recycling programs by calling 972-205-3500 or visit [GarlandEnvironmentalWaste.com](http://GarlandEnvironmentalWaste.com).

# Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing

The City of Garland invites the public to provide input on a new Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulation titled Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH Rule). The process to meet the AFFH obligation calls for the City and Garland Housing Agency to conduct an Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH). The AFH is an analysis of fair housing data, fair housing issues and contributing factors, and identification of fair housing priorities and goals.

For the purposes of the rule, “affirmatively furthering fair housing” means taking meaningful actions, in addition to combating discrimination, which overcome patterns of segregation and foster inclusive communities free from barriers that restrict access to opportunity-based protected characteristics.

In January 2017, the City of Garland joined a regional consortium consisting of the City of Dallas and 21 other jurisdictions to conduct a regional assessment of fair housing. The consortium is working with the University of Texas at Arlington, the consultant, to collect and analyze HUD-provided, regional and local data. The study also seeks input from the public, elected officials, housing agencies, housing providers, advocates, agencies that serve low- and moderate-income families, and other interested parties. All views and recommendations received will be considered in the development of goals and priorities. The Assessment of Fair Housing will guide City development plans related to housing for the next five years.

The City of Garland will host several meetings to gather community input and recommendations:

- 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 11, Gale Fields Recreation Center, 1701 Dairy Road
- 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 18, Carver Center (Building 3), 210 Carver St.

Any person who is unable to attend this meeting, but still wishes to share their input, may submit written comments by email to [DWilson@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:DWilson@GarlandTX.gov) or by mail to Denish Wilson-Owens, City of Garland Fair Housing Services, 210 Carver St., Suite 102A, Garland, TX 75040.

*Individuals who require an auxiliary aid or service to fully participate in or attend any meeting should notify Garland Fair Housing Services at 927-205-3300 or TTY 1-800-735-2988, at least four working days in advance of the public meeting.*

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# DOO the right thing— for everyone!

Dog waste is a problem. Dog waste contains bacteria and parasites that, when left in the yard, can cause a health risk to pets, people and children. In addition, harmful bacteria such as E. Coli and fecal coliform from the dog waste are carried into our creeks and lakes when it rains or when you water your yard. A single gram of pet waste contains an average of 23 million fecal coliform bacteria. Anytime you have water runoff from your yard, it carries all the chemicals and pollutants to the nearby storm drain. The storm drain will then carry the polluted water to our creeks and lakes.



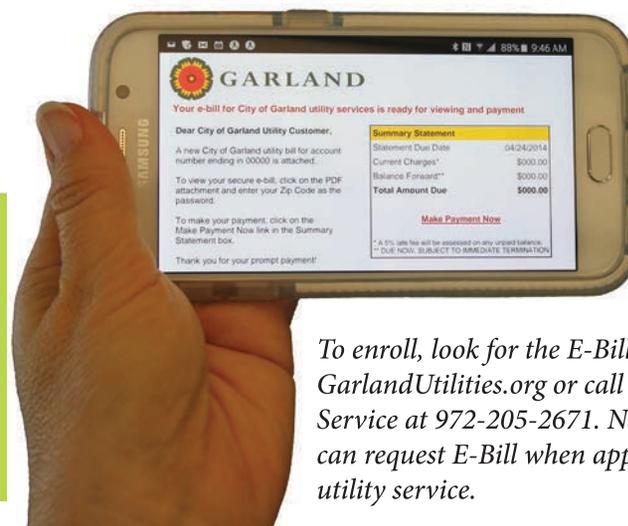
Please help everyone by picking up the dog waste in your yard on a regular basis and dispose of it in the trash, especially before it rains! Remember it is unlawful to leave your pet waste on public or private property that is not yours.

# Go Paperless with E-Bill

With E-Bill, there is no need to check the mailbox for a City of Garland utility bill. E-Bills are sent in a monthly email, which provides a secure PDF of the billing statement and a link to view announcements from the City. E-Bill is available for both residential and business customers.

After enrolling, customers...

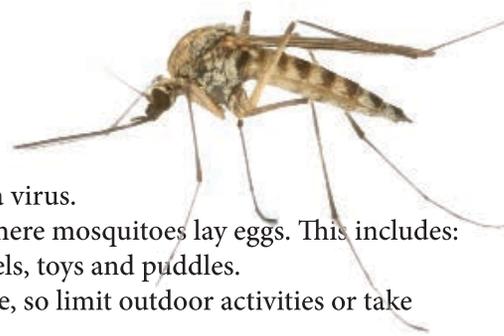
- Receive their bill faster
- Save paper
- Can access E-Bill anytime, anywhere
- Can pay online with link in email (or pay with any other accepted payment method)



To enroll, look for the E-Bill option on [GarlandUtilities.org](http://GarlandUtilities.org) or call Customer Service at 972-205-2671. New customers can request E-Bill when applying for utility service.

# FIGHT THE BITE!

## Defend Yourself Against Mosquitoes



The Garland Health Department is conducting weekly surveillance for mosquitoes that carry West Nile and Zika virus.

- **DRAIN** standing water around the house, as this is where mosquitoes lay eggs. This includes: tires, cans, flowerpots, clogged rain gutters, rain barrels, toys and puddles.
- **DUSK & DAWN** are when mosquitoes are most active, so limit outdoor activities or take precautions to prevent mosquito bites.
- **DEET** all day, every day. While outside, use insect repellent that contains DEET (or other EPA-approved repellents) and follow label instructions.
- **DRESS** in long, loose and light-colored clothing while outside.

West Nile virus is spread to humans through the bite of an infected Culex species mosquito. Common symptoms include high fever, severe headache and stiff neck. Contact your health care provider immediately if you are concerned that you might have West Nile virus.

Zika virus is spread to humans through the bite of an infected Aedes species mosquito. Common symptoms include fever, rash, joint pain and conjunctivitis (pink eye). If you have traveled to a country or area of the U.S. with active Zika transmission within the past 28 days, are exhibiting symptoms or are pregnant, contact your health care provider immediately.

*To report standing water issues, stagnant swimming pools, high mosquito activity or dead birds, contact the Garland Health Department Mosquito Hotline at 972-205-3720, by email at EnvHealth@GarlandTX.gov or submit information through Garland eAssist.*

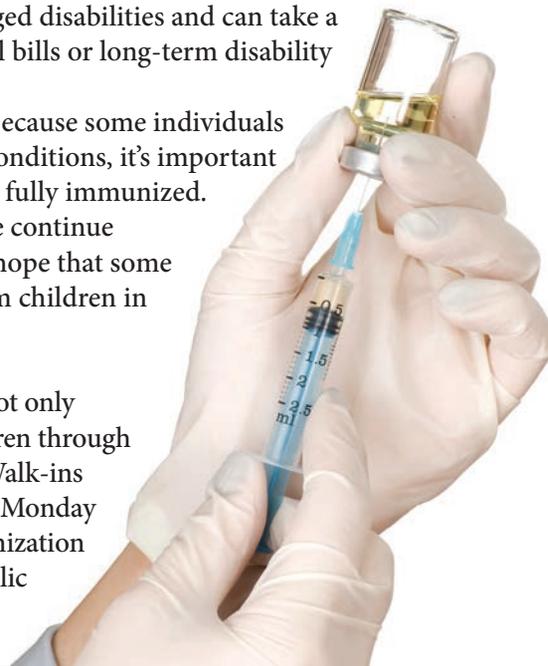
## Many Reasons to Vaccinate

Immunization gives parents the power to protect their child from serious childhood diseases, many of which we probably wouldn't consider a risk.

There are many reasons to vaccinate:

- **Immunizations can save your child's life.** Some diseases that once injured or killed thousands of children are no longer common in the U.S. due to safe and effective vaccines.
- **Vaccination is safe and effective.** Vaccines are only given to children after careful review by scientists, doctors and healthcare professionals. Serious side effects following vaccination, such as severe allergic reaction, are very rare.
- **Immunizations can save your family time and money.** A child with a vaccine-preventable disease can be denied attendance at schools or daycare facilities. Some vaccine-preventable diseases can result in prolonged disabilities and can take a financial toll because of lost time at work, medical bills or long-term disability care.
- **Immunization protects others you care about.** Because some individuals are unable to be vaccinated due to age or health conditions, it's important that those of us who are able to get vaccinated are fully immunized.
- **Immunization protects future generations.** If we continue vaccinating now, and vaccinating completely, we hope that some diseases of today will no longer be around to harm children in the future.

The Garland Public Health Clinic, 206 Carver Drive, not only provides low-cost immunizations for infants and children through age 18, but also immunizations for adults of all ages. Walk-ins can receive immunizations from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Parents should bring children's immunization records with them. For more information, call the Public Health Clinic at 972-205-3370.



Summer is often filled with cookouts, vacations, block parties and other gatherings. This summer, seize the opportunity to be a "front yard" Good Neighbor and build community in your neighborhood.

Neighborhoods are where life happens! Having positive interactions with your neighbors can set the tone for your overall experience in the community. As you're tending to your lawn, smile and wave at neighbors passing by. If you've mastered the "smile and wave," take it a step further and invite a couple of neighbors to swing by for tea or lemonade in your front yard. As you get to know your neighbors, exchange contact information for emergencies or general updates. When neighbors start talking, good things happen!

Consider these reminders as you work toward becoming a "front yard" Good Neighbor this summer:

- **Garland Code requires grass to be shorter than 12 inches; however, Good Neighbors keep their yards neat and tidy with regular mowing and edging.** Don't forget—leaving lawn clippings or other debris in the street can pollute the storm water system and violates City Code. Protect our environment by blowing/sweeping the lawn clippings or debris back into the yard. Lawn clippings also can be put into a plastic bag and placed on the curb for brush/bulky pickup.
- **As you maintain your beautiful lawn, be sure to follow the current Water Conservation Plan available at [GarlandWater.com](http://GarlandWater.com).** To prevent loss of water, inspect your sprinkler system to ensure there are no leaks and sprinkler heads are positioned for maximal coverage and minimal loss.
- **Fourth of July is around the corner. Remember that fireworks and celebratory gunfire are strictly prohibited in Garland.** Instead, have a neighborhood potluck or go to the Star Spangled Spectacular at Firewheel Town Center on Monday, July 3.

*For information about maintaining a healthy neighborhood, contact Garland Code Compliance at 972-485-6400 or the Office of Neighborhood Vitality at 972-205-2445.*

# Library

## Programs & Events

### YOUTH PROGRAMS

Spring Storytimes | Through July 29

#### Central Library

625 Austin St., 972-205-2517

Toddler Storytime (18-36 mos.)

Mondays, 10 a.m.

Preschool Storytime (3-5 yrs.)

Mondays, 11 a.m.

#### North Garland Branch Library

3845 N. Garland Ave., 972-205-2804

Wee Read (birth to 18 mos.)

Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.

Toddler Storytime (18-36 mos.)

Fridays, 10 a.m.

Preschool Storytime (3-5 yrs.)

Fridays, 11 a.m.

#### South Garland Branch Library

4845 Broadway Blvd., 972-205-3933

Toddler Storytime (18-36 mos.)

Wednesdays, 10 a.m.

Preschool Storytime (3-5 yrs.)

Wednesdays, 11 a.m.

Family Storytime

Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.

#### Walnut Creek Branch Library

3319 Edgewood Drive, 972-205-2585

Family Storytime

Tuesdays, 7 p.m.



Art Explorers, 2:30 p.m., Walnut Creek Branch Library | Children ages 6 to 12 will learn about and create different types of art. **Registration is required, and each program is limited to 24 participants.** Register at the Walnut Creek Branch Library beginning two weeks prior to each event.

- **July 1, Pop-Up Worlds**
- **Aug. 5, Cubes of Optical Art**

Tween Scene | Encourage your creative tween to join this free program designed for youth ages 10 to 13. Program consists of book discussions and activities related to interesting themes.

#### Robotics with Perot Museum Tech Truck

- **6:30 p.m. July 6, South Garland Branch Library**
- **4 p.m. July 13, North Garland Branch Library**

Family Movie Times, 2:30 p.m. July 14 Walnut Creek Branch Library | Bring a blanket and enjoy a screening of the 2016 movie *Sing*. Doors will open 15 minutes prior to the film, and seating is limited. No registration required. For information, call 972-205-2585.

Afternoon Board Games, 1 p.m. July 25, Central Library | Children ages 6 to 12 are invited to drop-in to play a variety of board and card games.

**Garland libraries will be closed Tuesday, July 4, for Independence Day.**



Block Party at the Library | Children ages 4 to 12 test their building skills and stretch their imaginations while having fun. For more information, call 972-205-2516.

- **1 p.m. July 11, Central Library**
- **2:30 p.m. July 21, Walnut Creek Branch Library**
- **6:30 p.m. July 27, North Garland Branch Library**

Teen Game Time, 7 p.m. July 19, Central Library | Play video games, board games and card games. Must be age 13-17 to attend.

### ADULT PROGRAMS

Senior Social Hour @ the Library, 2 p.m., Central Library

This free program series for senior citizens is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Events are open to anyone age 55 and older. Doors open 30 minutes before performance. For information, call 972-205-2502.

- **July 20, Rose-Mary Rumbley** | An author and former head of Dallas Baptist University's drama department, Rumbley is a native of Dallas and has performed with Dallas Summer Musicals and Casa Mañana. She will present a selection of stories about theater history and scenes from various shows.
- **Aug. 17, Jill Beam** | Speaker Jill Beam presents "Laughter for the Health of It." Beam is a public speaker and was crowned Miss Senior Texas in 2015. She is a tap dancer with the Class Act Tap Company and a flautist with the Mesquite Symphonic Band.

History of Space Flight, 2:30 p.m. Aug. 19, Central Library | Explore the cosmos at the library's space history event featuring a guest speaker from the Frontiers of Flight Museum in Dallas. Participants will take a look at space flight, fact versus science fiction, rocket development, new innovations and the role Texas has played in the development of the U.S. space program.

*Apollo 13* Film Screening, 6 p.m. Aug. 29, South Garland Branch Library | The film dramatizes NASA's attempts to safely return Apollo 13 to Earth after the spacecraft experiences massive internal damage, risking the lives of the three astronauts on board. The film is rated PG. Popcorn and water will be available while supplies last.

Adult Spelling Bee, 3 p.m. July 16, Intrinsic Smokehouse and Brewery, 509 W. State St. | Interested participants may register at the Central Library prior to the event beginning Monday, July 3, or at Intrinsic Smokehouse and Brewery upon arrival in teams of no more than four. The Spelling Bee will consist of five 10-word rounds. Teams will be given a word and allowed to consult with their teammates for 30 seconds before signaling to judges that they are ready to spell. Teams will be eliminated after two consecutive misspelt words. Both the winning team and the first team eliminated will win prizes.

### SUMMER READING PROGRAM: BUILD A BETTER WORLD: JUNE 3 TO JULY 29

Infants, children, teens and adults are encouraged to participate. Participants may pick up the first of four activity cards at any Garland Library Children's Desk or the Adult Services Desk. After seven days, kids may turn in their completed activity cards and exchange them for a prize and additional activity card. Adults will be entered into a prize drawing for each activity card they complete. A total of four cards may be completed. The last day to get a card is July 22, and the final day to redeem prizes is July 29. **For a list of free programs associated with the summer reading program, visit [Library.GarlandTX.gov](http://Library.GarlandTX.gov) or call 972-205-2502. Adult programs are sponsored by Friends of the Library.**

## Computer Classes

### WE HAVE AN ONLINE RESOURCE FOR THAT! HELPING YOUR CHILD WITH HOMEWORK

10:30 a.m. Aug. 26, South Garland Branch Library | Learn about free online resources your child can use to complete research or homework assignments. Library staff will demonstrate several resources, including the Gale Virtual Reference Library and the tutoring service HelpNow. Participation is free and open to adult Garland residents with a library account in good standing. Registration is required and begins at 10 a.m. Aug. 12. Call 972-205-2501 to register.

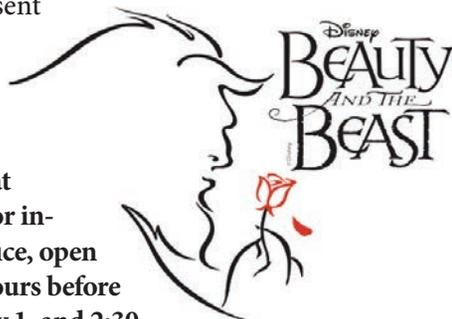
# Granville Arts Center

## Programs & Events

### AT THE GRANVILLE ARTS CENTER, 300 N. FIFTH ST.

**Dallas Young Artists** presents *Beauty and the Beast*, July 1-2

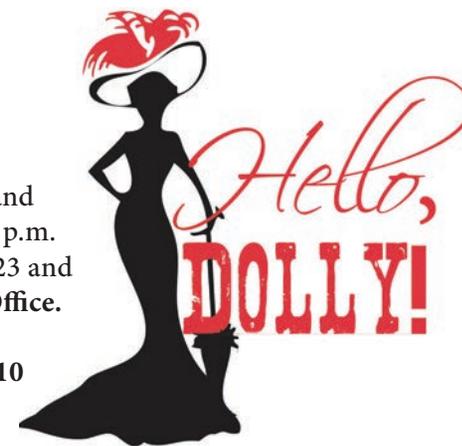
Students from the Dallas Young Artists present a stunning production of Disney's *Beauty and the Beast*. An arrogant young prince is cursed by a wicked enchantress, who turns him into a hideous beast until he learns to love and to be loved. **Tickets: \$14 at GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com, 972-205-2790 or in-person at the Granville Arts Center Box Office, open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday and two hours before each performance. Performances: 7 p.m. July 1, and 2:30 p.m. July 1-2.**



### Garland Summer Musicals presents *Hello, Dolly!*, July 21-30

This blockbuster Broadway hit bursts with humor, romance, high-energy dancing and some of the greatest songs in musical theater history. The romantic and comic exploits of Dolly Gallagher-Levi are certain to thrill and entertain

audiences again and again. The show's memorable songs include: *Put On Your Sunday Clothes*, *Ribbons Down My Back* and *It Only Takes a Moment*. Performances: 8 p.m. July 21-22 and July 28-29; 2:30 p.m. July 23 and 30. **Tickets: \$27-33 at GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com, 972-205-2790 or in-person at the Granville Arts Center Box Office, open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday and two hours before each performance.**

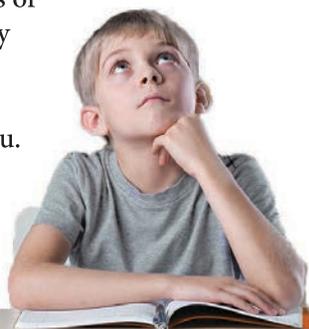


**Garland Civic Theatre** presents *A Murder Is Announced*, July 27-Aug. 19  
Garland Civic Theatre opens their 2017-18 season with this Agatha Christie mystery! An announcement in the local paper states the time and place when a murder is to occur in Miss Blacklock's Victorian house. The victim is not one of the house's several occupants, but an unexpected and unknown visitor. Can you solve the mystery in time? **Tickets available at GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com, 972-205-2790 or in-person at the Granville Arts Center Box Office, open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday and two hours before each performance.**

## Caring for Your Library Books

Follow these tips to help you become a library super-user and save our City's shared resources for others to enjoy.

- **Examine your library books before checking them out.** Minor wear and tear on library books is to be expected, but it's important to look for obvious torn or missing pages, stains or writing, and report any damages to staff before you check out.
- **Avoid water damage** by putting your books in a waterproof bag before taking them out of the library on a rainy day, and do not read while in the bath or in swimming pools.
- **Take notes on your own paper or device** instead of writing in library books, or use the photocopier to copy the page and write on the copy. Refrain from cutting out pages or pictures.
- **Use a bookmark.** Don't dog-ear book pages, use a pencil or lay an open book upside down to save your place. Be sure your bookmark is thin enough not to bend a book's cover or pages.
- **Book dust jackets** protect the books, but even a sturdy dust jacket is no match for dogs or babies. Keep your library books out of the reach of the nibblers in your house.
- **Don't let your library materials bake in the car.** Summer temperatures can get hot enough to melt book covers, loosen glued bindings and
- warp audio books. Take your items inside with you; they will be in easy reach for unexpected downtime.
- **If you are going to read outdoors**, be careful not to leave your books outside. Consider checking out an e-book when planning a trip to the beach or a picnic.
- **Try not to eat while reading.** Food and beverage stains could attract bugs or promote the growth of mold. If you find signs of insect activity or mold in your library books, seal the materials in Ziploc plastic bags and notify the library of the issue. When you return the materials, take them to a service desk and speak to staff about the damage. Do not use book drops to return materials suspected of mold or insect activity, or treat affected library materials on your own.
- **When you return items** make sure they are in the same condition as you received them. Count all the discs and CDs and be sure to have any maps or supplementary materials that came in the books with you.



## Garland Cultural Arts Commission 2017-18 Grant Program

The Garland Cultural Arts Commission, Inc. is pleased to announce its 2017-18 Grant Program for local arts groups, historic preservation organizations and other artistic entities. Applications will be available at the Granville Arts Center, 300 N. Fifth St., beginning Aug. 1. Applications can be picked up weekdays between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. until Sept. 28. Applications will not be mailed.

An official representative of the interested organization must sign for each application and be prepared to schedule an interview time for Thursday, Oct. 5.

During this interview, applicants should be prepared to discuss:

- A general description of the organization;
- Use of the previous year's funds received from this commission (if applicable); and
- Goals for use of funds requested for the upcoming year.

Please bring a packet to the Oct. 5 interview with examples of brochures and promotions and note any paid advertising and/or in-kind advertising.

Any applicant who misses the interview will forfeit their ability to receive funds for the coming year. Completed applications will be accepted no later than 4 p.m. Sept. 29, 2017. *Call 972-205-2785 for additional information.*

# Parks & Recreation

## Programs & Events

**GET  
YOUR  
PLAY  
ON**

PARK AND  
RECREATION MONTH  
JULY 2017

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#PLAYGARLAND

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### MOVIE AT THE PLAZA THEATRE

Noon, July 1 at the Plaza Theatre, 521 W. State St.

Join us for free In-N-Out Burger burgers, an Animal Adventures Show and a movie screening of Zootopia!

Noon In-N-Out Burger

1 p.m. Animal Adventures Show

presented by the Dallas Zoo Outreach Program. The show will feature six to eight educational animals including a variety of birds, mammals, and reptiles!

2 p.m. Zootopia

### PLAY STREETS

Follow us on Facebook for dates and locations for pop up & play events.

### FAMILY NIGHT OUT: FOOD, FUN, AND FIREWORKS!

6 p.m., Saturday, July 29 at

Central Park, 1310 W. Avenue F

Join us as we close out our Parks and Recreation Month celebration with a bang! Bring your blankets and chairs and enjoy local food trucks, children's entertainment, bounce houses, games, and the best party music to rock out to with entertainment from Downtown Fever. Fireworks will conclude the evening at dark.

7 p.m. Downtown Fever take the stage  
MOTION. MUSIC. ENERGY

9:30 p.m. Fireworks



**GARLAND**  
PARKS, RECREATION &  
CULTURAL ARTS



National Recreation  
and Park Association

Visit [GarlandParks.com](http://GarlandParks.com) or any Garland recreation center to get a copy of the Garland **PLAY** Guide for a full listing of programs available.



### BOXING FITNESS | MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS, 6 TO 6:45 P.M.

Age 6 and older, \$39 per month, Audubon Recreation Center, 342 W. Oates Road, 972-205-3991 or [ARC@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:ARC@GarlandTX.gov)

### CLOGGING | MONDAYS, 5:45 TO 6:45 P.M.

Ages 6 to 13, \$40 per month, Bradfield Recreation Center, 1146 Castle Drive, 972-205-2770 or [BRC@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:BRC@GarlandTX.gov)

### BASKETBALL CAMP | MONDAY-FRIDAY, TIME VARIES

Ages 5 to 12, \$45 per week, Fields Recreation Center, 1701 Dairy Road, 972-205-3090 or [FRC@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:FRC@GarlandTX.gov)

### GARAGE SALE | AUG. 26, 9 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

Age 18 and older, \$30 for one vendor space or \$45 for two vendor spaces, Granger Recreation Center, 1301 W. Avenue F, 972-205-2771 or [GRC@garlandTX.gov](mailto:GRC@garlandTX.gov)

### INTRO TO IMPROV KIDS | JULY 10-AUG. 21, MONDAYS, 1 TO 2:30 P.M.

Ages 5 to 16, \$37 per month. Holford Recreation Center, 2314 Homestead Place, 972-205-2772 or [HRC@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:HRC@GarlandTX.gov)

### CHILDBLOOM GUITAR PROGRAM | MONDAYS, TIME VARIES

Ages 6 to 12, \$75 per month. Hollabaugh Recreation Center, 3925 W. Walnut St., 972-205-2721 or [HRC@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:HRC@GarlandTX.gov)

### FRIDAY NIGHT BALLROOM DANCE | JULY 14, 7 TO 9:30 P.M.

Age 55 and older, \$5 per person. Senior Activity Center, 600 W. Avenue A., 972-205-2769 or [SAC@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:SAC@GarlandTX.gov)

### CHAIR EXERCISE | MONDAYS & THURSDAYS, 10 TO 11 A.M.

Age 55 and older, Free. Carver Senior Center, 222 Carver St., 972-205-3305 or [SAC@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:SAC@GarlandTX.gov)

**SUNSET  
CINEMA**

**ON THE SQUARE**

**GUARDIANS  
OF THE  
GALAXY  
JULY 13**

**BEAUTY  
AND THE  
BEAST  
(2017)  
JULY 20**

**FINDING  
DORY  
JULY 27**

### DOWNTOWN GARLAND SQUARE AT SUNSET

SNACKS & DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE  
LAWN CHAIRS, PICNICS, & COOLERS ARE WELCOME  
PLEASE - NO GLASS CONTAINERS, ALCOHOL, OR KNIVES

# SAVE THE DATE

# LiveWell GoGreen EXPO

SATURDAY SEPT. 23  
Curtis Culwell Center · 4999 Naaman Forest Blvd.

For More information  
or to volunteer, visit  
**GoGreenGarland.com**

## Exhibitors

### Vaccinations & Health Screenings

Such as blood glucose, cholesterol and hearing

### Stop & Learn Demonstrations

### Outdoor Fest

**Recycle Row** including durable medical goods, prescription medication, clothing, electronics, small appliances, shoes, eye glasses, batteries and shredding

## THE MARKETPLACE GARLAND

First and Third Saturday through October 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.



Downtown Garland Square  
150 N. Sixth St. Garland, TX 75040



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For vendor or sponsor information, contact Kirk Lovett  
469-275-9616 or [Kirk.Eventive@live.com](mailto:Kirk.Eventive@live.com).

# LABOR DAY EVENTS & FESTIVITIES SEPT. 4

## PARADE - 9 A.M.

Join us along the route through Downtown Garland and enjoy a historic event of community pride.

The parade begins at Glenbrook and Ave. F, continues north on Glenbrook, turns east on Main St. and passes the Square. The parade turns north on Fifth St. and ends at Austin St.

To register for the parade, visit [PlayGarland.com](http://PlayGarland.com).

## KID'S BBQ COMPETITION - 11 A.M.

Following the parade to the Downtown Square to cheer on the BBQ Pit Masters!

Ages 10-18 years of age. Cash prizes will be awarded. Registration is \$20 and includes BBQ grill, food to grill, and supplies. Registration is required and begins Aug. 5.

To register, visit [PlayGarland.com](http://PlayGarland.com) or call or visit any of our six recreation centers. Visit [GarlandParks.com](http://GarlandParks.com) for registration locations.

## CAR SHOW ON THE SQUARE

\$20 entry fee for show only; \$25 entry fee for show and parade

Cars not participating in the parade can enter the Square at Sixth and Walnut starting at 9:30 a.m.



## The Urban Flea

Saturdays, 9:00~5:00

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# #GarlandProud

Garland is a great community...one we're proud to be part of! Share your #GarlandProud stories on our social media pages and help us design a #GarlandProud t-shirt.

**Visit [GarlandTX.gov](http://GarlandTX.gov) for complete details. Also follow us on Facebook and Twitter to find out more.**

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**Wind might make you have a bad hair day...**

**Don't let it make you litter too.**

#holdontight  
 #texasweather



**VOLUNTEER WITH CODE CARES**

A community outreach program assisting elderly, disabled or financially challenged citizens to keep up residential property to City Code Compliance standards

**Volunteer opportunities available:**

- **Landscaping**  
Mowing, hedge trimming and edging
- **Tree Trimming**  
Limb trimming over streets, alleys and sidewalks
- **Minor Exterior Home Repair**  
House painting, window repair and siding repair
- **Minor Interior Home Repair**  
Drywall repair, minor plumbing repair and light fixture/ceiling fan installation

For more information, contact Os Rodriguez at 972-485-6420 or [ORodrigu@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:ORodrigu@GarlandTX.gov).



**Landmark Museum**

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Open Saturdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
 Located at Heritage Crossing  
 393 N. Sixth St., Downtown Garland

[GarlandHistorical.org](http://GarlandHistorical.org)



## Upcoming Events

- 7/4**  
City Offices Closed for Independence Day
  - 7/5**  
City Council Work Session\*
  - 7/5**  
City Council Meeting\*
  - 7/10**  
Plan Commission\*
  - 7/17**  
City Council Work Session\*
  - 7/18**  
City Council Meeting\*
  - 7/24**  
Plan Commission\*
  - 7/27**  
Mayor's Evening In  
Mayor's Office, 200 N. Fifth St.
  - 7/31**  
City Council Work Session\*
  - 8/1**  
City Council Meeting\*
  - 8/14**  
Plan Commission\*
  - 8/14**  
City Council Work Session\*
  - 8/15**  
City Council Meeting\*
  - 8/28**  
Plan Commission\*
  - 8/31**  
Mayor's Evening Out  
Holford Recreation Center,  
2314 Homestead Place
- \* Located at City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St., First Floor