



October 19, 2018



City Council approves new SWAT vehicle for Mesquite Police Department

This week the City Council approved purchase of a new Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) vehicle for the Mesquite Police Department (MPD). The new vehicle will accommodate transportation of a full tactical team including gear and supplies. MPD's SWAT team will use the new vehicle for personnel and equipment, reserving their current vehicle for storage of extra equipment in case of a critical incident.



Watch public meetings on Mesquite City Council redistricting

The City of Mesquite held two public meetings this week to discuss plans to transition the system for electing the City's six Council members. Watch a video of the [meeting held October 16](#) and the [meeting held October 18](#). Learn more at cityofmesquite.com/Redistricting.



Help build the Comprehensive Plan for Mesquite's future

Help plan Mesquite's future as the City updates its Comprehensive Plan. The Comprehensive Plan is a tool used to address key areas such as future land uses, various transportation opportunities throughout the community, future housing and neighborhoods, as well as the overall long-term design and character of Mesquite. The plan also will address public safety and health issues. Participate in a detailed discussion of the plan during Town Hall Tuesday at 7 p.m. October 30 at City Hall, [757 N. Galloway Ave.](#) [Take the online community survey by November 3.](#)



STAR Transit to hold public meeting on COMPASS service changes

STAR Transit will hold a public meeting at 7 p.m. October 23, at the Mesquite Arts Center, [1527 N. Galloway Ave.](#), to discuss changes to Express Bus Route 282, also known as COMPASS. Schedule a ride to the meeting by calling [877-631-5278](#). Effective October 1, midday service is no longer available on Express Bus Route 282. [View revised schedules at dart.org](#) or call [214-979-1111](#) for more information.



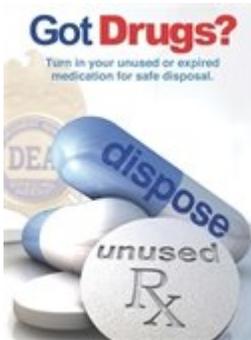
Get your flu shot at the Mesquite Public Health Clinic

The Mesquite Public Health Clinic, [1616 N. Galloway Ave.](#), is offering flu shots while supplies last. Flu shots are available for \$25 each, no appointment needed. The clinic is open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 8 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. Clients are seen on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, call the clinic at [972-329-8326](#) or visit [cityofmesquite.com/HealthClinic](#).



Celebrate Day of the Dead in Mesquite on October 27

Celebrate Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) during two arts events in Mesquite. The Mesquite Arts Center, [1527 N. Galloway Ave.](#), will offer fun for the whole family during its free Day of the Dead Festival from 4 to 7 p.m. Enjoy live music, face painting, food, skull decorating, a community altar and much more. After the festival, join the Mesquite Symphony Orchestra at 7:30 p.m. inside the Concert Hall for a Dia de los Muertos-themed concert. Purchase tickets to the symphony at [mesquitesymphony.org](#). For information on the festival, call [972-216-8132](#).



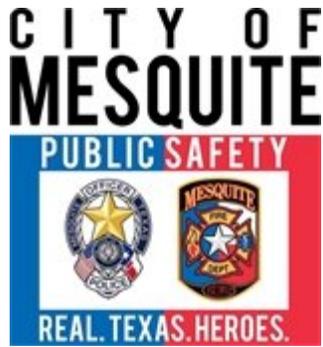
Drug Take-Back event takes place October 27

Dispose of expired or unused medications during the nationwide Drug Take-Back event on October 27. Residents can drop off unwanted medications in the lobby of the Mesquite Police Department, [777 N. Galloway Ave.](#), from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sharp objects such as needles not accepted.



The Marketplace continues in Downtown Mesquite October 27

Visit Downtown Mesquite to shop produce, crafts and culinary items from local vendors and merchants. The Marketplace is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, October 27, at [150 W. Main St.](#), and returns every second and fourth Saturday through November. Learn more at [TheMarketplaceDFW.com](#).



Creameries, Inc.

Real. Texas. Heroes. celebration scheduled October 28

Join us as we thank Mesquite's first responders for their service to the community. The annual Real. Texas. Heroes. celebration will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday, October 28, at the Mesquite Police Department, [777 N. Galloway Ave.](#) The free event includes special presentations, music, and complimentary ice cream provided by Blue Bell



Monthly sales tax report

The State Comptroller's Office reported a 4.5 percent decrease in the City's sales tax collections for the month of October compared to the same period last year. October's report is based on sales reported by local businesses during the month of August. Year-to-date collections are trending almost one percent, or \$265,000, in additional revenue. For information on how the City uses its sales tax revenue, visit cityofmesquite.com/Transparency.



Mesquite hosts event to grow small businesses

Mesquite's Business Retention and Expansion team will host a [Mesquite Entrepreneurs Day event](#) from 3 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, November 13 at The Gathering at Corner Theatre, [214 W. Davis St.](#) Tickets are \$20 each and seating is limited. The event features a presentation by national speaker and community developer Monte Anderson of Options Real Estate Investments, Inc. Attendees will have access to a series of mini workshops and business development resources, as well as interaction with more than 20 experts available for questions, answers and networking. [Register today.](#)



Contact Us

We want to hear from you. If you have a concern or you are experiencing an issue, please contact the City of Mesquite at [972-288-7711](tel:972-288-7711) or visit the City's website at cityofmesquite.com/FAQ for assistance.

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