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Commissioner Grady Prestage's
PRECINCT 2 COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

"Commissioner's Corner" (November Edition)



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Voters Approve County Assistance District #6

Since the inclusion of Mission Bend into Precinct 2 following the redistricting of 2012, Commissioner Prestage has had a vision to make improvements to the area and bring county services to the unincorporated portions of the county. With the passage of County Assistance #6 (CAD #6) in the recent November 5th election, that vision is now closer to being realized.

A County Assistance District (CAD) is a special district created by a county with the power to impose sales taxes. Counties in Texas normally cannot receive revenue from sales and use taxes except by assessing a sales tax through a County Assistance District (CAD). The creation of County Assistance District #6 gives the county the authority to impose and collect an additional 1 cent sale and use tax to be used for improvements in that district only.

County Assistance District #6 is centered along State Highway 6 in the Mission Bend / Four Corners area. On SH 6, it runs as far north as the County Border and as far south as Park Point Drive which is just south of Voss Road. It hugs three major thoroughfares which

The Season of Giving



The Holiday Season can be difficult times for residents and their families for a number of reasons. However in Fort Bend County, The East Fort Bend Humans Needs Ministry (EFBHNM) and Second Mile Mission Center try to make the holidays a little less stressful by providing decorated baskets filled with food supplies for a complete holiday dinner, and helping spread Christmas joy through special programs.

The East Fort Bend Human Needs Ministry (EFBHNM) Holiday Food Baskets are distributed during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays and include everything needed to cook a traditional holiday meal. Families only need to pre-register/sign up to receive a holiday basket on a specified day and then return to pick up the food basket on a designated day prior to the holiday.

Although the East Fort Bend Human Needs Ministry Thanksgiving registration

define its east /west boundaries. Along Bissonnet Street it goes from Gaines Road to Sugarland Howell. Along West Belfort Street it runs from Clodine Road to Belknap Road. Along West Airport Boulevard it extends from 400 feet west of Old Richmond Road to approximately 750 feet east of SH6.

Revenue gained from a County Assistance District can only be used for:

- Construction or maintenance of roads or highways;
- Provision of law enforcement and detention services;
- Maintenance or improvement of libraries, museums, parks, or other recreational facilities;
- Provision of services that benefit the public health and welfare, including firefighting services;
- Promotion of economic development and tourism

Commissioner Prestage's vision for CAD #6 is to develop a Multi-Purpose Center that will include a county library, Boys & Girls Club, senior center, and other county services as needed. He plans to make significant improvements to the Four Corners Community Center to include a covered pavilion, additional staff to support programming and increase public safety and security measures in the area with additional lighting, and contract deputies.

His vision also includes making improvements to roads that were not included in the Mobility Bond Election and construct sidewalks/hike and bike trails in the right of way where

has already passed, there is still time to sign-up for the Christmas Registration period!

Christmas Food Basket Program dates:

Sign-up date/time - Monday, Dec. 2nd - 10 am - 1 pm

Pick-up date/time - Friday, Dec. 20th - 10 am - 1 pm

For more information on the East Fort Bend Human Needs Ministry, contact [\(281\) 261.1006](tel:2812611006) or visit their website at www.HumanNeeds.org.

The Second Mile Mission Center is also making a big impact on Fort Bend County residents. About 200 families visiting Second Mile Mission Center in November received Thanksgiving meal boxes.

Boxes contained sides such as rolls, mashed potatoes, green beans, a grocery store gift card and more. Many boxes contained handwritten notes of encouragement as well.

For two days in December, Second Mile's clothing room will be transform into a Christmas Toy Store, where pre-registered families can purchase toys for their children at 30 to 80 percent off retail prices. Also through Second Mile's "Gifts of Love" program, 400 families in need will enjoy a special Christmas celebration at "Gifts of Love" parties hosted by Cornerstone Community Bible Church, Parkway United Methodist Church, Sugar Creek Baptist Church and Sugar Grove Church of Christ.

For more information on this holiday

trails in the right of way where appropriate.

For more information on County Assistance District #6, contact Brenda Patton at [281.403.8001](tel:281.403.8001) or Christopher Harvey at [281.403.8004](tel:281.403.8004).

program, contact Second Mile Mission Center at [\(281\) 261.9199](tel:281.261.9199) or visit their website at www.SecondMile.org.

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