

PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

CITY HALL EAST CONFERENCE ROOM C - 300 W. MAIN STREET MONDAY, APRIL 08, 2024 AT 6:00 PM

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

AGENDA ITEMS

Citizens may speak for up to five minutes on any item on the agenda by completing and submitting a speaker card.

- 1. Minutes of the February 12, 2024 Public Health Advisory Committee Meeting
- 2. Review of Quarterly Report
- 3. Get Fit GP Updates
- 4. 2023 Annual Report
- 5. 2023 Clean Prairie Report

CITIZEN COMMENTS

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ADJOURNMENT

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Certification

In accordance with Chapter 551, Subchapter C of the Government Code, V.T.C.A, the Public Health Advisory Committee agenda was prepared and posted April 05, 2024.

Cindy Mendez, Public Health & Environmental Quality

Director



CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE COMMUNICATION

MEETING DATE: 04/08/2024

REQUESTER: Cindy Mendez, Public Health & Environmental Quality Director

PRESENTER: Cindy Mendez, Public Health & Environmental Quality Director

TITLE: Minutes of the February 12, 2024 Public Health Advisory Committee

Meeting

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve



PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES: FEBRUARY 12, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Keith Fletcher Carol Landrum Mary Linicomn David Pomerantz Cassandra Roberson Xochitl Rodriguez Omolara Olanrewaju Sanusi

STAFF:

Cindy Mendez, Public Health & Environmental Quality Director Werner Rodriguez, Public Health Manager Tamilia Johnson, Administrative Supervisor

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Keith Fletcher at 6:36 pm with a quorum present.

- I. <u>Review Minutes</u> The last public health meeting was held November 13, 2023. Carol Landrum motioned to approve minutes, seconded by David Pomerantz, all were in favor.
- II. Review of Quarterly Report The 4th quarterly report was reviewed by the committee and staff. Mr. Fletcher raised a question regarding the rise of tuberculosis. Cindy Mendez, Public Health & Environmental Quality Director, explained this is likely due to homelessness and non-compliance. Ms. Landrum mentioned it can also be due to crowds. Ms. Mendez offered to get a speaker, such as one for TABC, for a future meeting.
- III. Get Fit GP Updates Ms. Mendez reviewed Get Fit GP events. Over 600 riders participated for the Cyclin with the Mayor Prairie Lights Ride held November 2023. The Grand Holiday Craft Fair/Mental Health Event was held on December 7th. Beginning January 2024, Healthy Resolutions, our community health initiative, includes My Health Passport. These are still valid and can be used until the end of this month. Also, New Year Healthy Resolution, which are ideas to share on social media outlets. In February 2024, the Healthy Heart Art Contest is for all ages and types of art. The art contest is being advertised to schools and the senior center. On April 6th, during the opening day of Farmer's Market, there will be a Health Fair beginning at 8 a.m. and the Mayor's 5k, Community Walk, Run or Stroll will start at 9:30 a.m. Shirts will be available while supplies lasts. April 11th is the first Cyclin' with the Mayor for the season at the Epic area. Two community events will be held at our parks, (1) Tyree Park on May 23rd and (2) Action State Park on June 13th. Earth Day will be held back at EpicCentral this year, alongside the walkway, on April 20th. This event will include exotic animals and free-tree-giveaways.

- IV. <u>Amendments to Mobile Food Ordinance</u> Public Health Manager Werner Rodriguez spoke about the amendments to the Mobile Food Ordinance. Counties with certain populations, such as Dallas and Tarrant, had to comply. A diagram was shown to the committee regarding the current UDC guidelines where mobile food units can be. Mr. Rodriguez explained that we still regulate and cite mobile food units if they are not registered. He also stated that we can issue temporary permits for special events.
- V. Overview of Alcohol Permitting Mr. Rodriguez provided the committee a brief history of alcohol sales in Texas. Effective 9/1/2023, per Senate Bill 577, we can no longer charge fees for alcohol permits fees and food manger certificates. Ms. Mendez would like to amend this and waiting on our legal team to find other ways for us to collect. She stated our Mobile Food Ordinance will be amended on 2/20/2024, and this may come up on the City Council meeting in March.
- VI. <u>2024 Meeting Dates</u> The committee discussed changing the meetings to bi-monthly instead of quarterly, which will add two meetings per year. The meeting start time was also discussed to be moved from 6:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Ms. Landrum motioned to adopt the bimonthly meeting proposal with 6:00 p.m. start time, seconded by Mr. Pomerantz, approved by all present. The next meeting is scheduled on 4/8/2024 at 6:00 p.m.

<u>Adjournment</u> – With no other questions or comments, Mr. Fletcher motioned to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 pm.

Director of Public Health & Environmental Quality

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CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE COMMUNICATION

MEETING DATE: 04/08/2024

REQUESTER: Cindy Mendez, Public Health & Environmental Quality Director

PRESENTER: Cindy Mendez, Public Health & Environmental Quality Director

TITLE: Review of Quarterly Report

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Review



Public Health Advisory Committee 2nd Bi-Monthly Report April 9, 2024

Dallas County Clinic Visits	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24
Communicable Disease	43	56	37	85	63	67	30	33	48
Immunizations & Well Child	60	97	162	207	142	111	93	112	140
Sexually Transmitted Diseases*	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
Tuberculosis	50	42	72	11	75	83	110	141	93
Laboratory	297	478	833	1171	1185	1063	1406	1191	1247
Total Served	450	673	1104	1475	1465	1324	1639	1477	1528
*Migration to EPIC Software system. Curre	ntly unable to rep	ort due to issues							
Gas Drilling	Current though September 2023			Current though Dec 2023			Current though Feb 20224		
Number of Padsites		42*	42			42			
Number of Wells Proposed		206	209			209			
Number of Wells Drilled	157			160			160		
Number of Wells Producing	157			160			160		
	*Hardrock Padsite Approved January 2023								
Complaints	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24
Food Service	9	8	13	7	2	11	8		7
Child Care	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Swimming Pools	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	4	4
Mosquitoes	10	12	3	2	8	0	0	1	1
Drinking Water	0	4	2	0	0	0	0	2	0
Storm Water	13	16	36	9	9	15	7	9	21
Gas Drilling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Industrial Pretreatment	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24
Industrial Inspections Performed	Jun-23	Jul-23 29	28	26		20			16



CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE COMMUNICATION

MEETING DATE: 04/08/2024

REQUESTER: Cindy Mendez, Public Health & Environmental Quality Director

PRESENTER: Cindy Mendez, Public Health & Environmental Quality Director

TITLE: Get Fit GP Updates

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Review



CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE COMMUNICATION

MEETING DATE: 04/08/2024

REQUESTER: Cindy Mendez, Public Health & Environmental Quality Director

PRESENTER: Cindy Mendez, Public Health & Environmental Quality Director

TITLE: 2023 Annual Report

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Review

2023 Annual Report







OUR MISSION

Public Health & Environmental Quality

advocates and ensures responsible health and environmental practices for the protection of human health and environmental health through monitoring, oversight, and education.



WHAT WE DO



Environmental Monitoring

PHEQ monitors the city's drinking water system, the wastewater system, streams, and air quality



Vector Management

PHEQ traps mosquitoes and applies pesticides when necessary



Inspections & Enforcement

PHEQ inspects restaurants, food manufacturers, food warehouses, public swimming pools, childcare facilities, industrial facilities, automotive facilities, and gas well production sites and enforces city, state, and federal codes



Emergency Response

PHEQ responds to hazardous material spills to the environment, abandoned regulated materials, sanitary sewer overflows, and potable water discharges



City Permits

PHEQ oversees various city environmental permits in regards to air quality, storm water, drinking water, wastewater, and regulated waste



Public Education

PHEQ educates industrial and commercial facilities and provides health and environmental education and screenings/activities to residents

Environmental Quality



Bacteriological Sampling

Drinking Water Program



Number of bacteriological samples collected



The City is required to collect a minimum of 120 samples each month for Total Coliform testing. Total coliform are useful indicator of other pathogens and are used to determine the adequacy of water treatment.



Percentage of Total Coliform positive samples

Nitrification Action Plan Drinking Water Program

The purpose of the Nitrification Action Plan (NAP) is to identify normal operating conditions and monitor for signs of nitrification in the drinking water system. Nitrification is a microbial process that can have adverse impacts on the quality of drinking water. The NAP establishes trigger levels that indicate that nitrification may be likely to occur and directs actions needed to return the distribution system to desired operating conditions.



12

Sites sampled each



424

Number of samples collected



Percentage of samples exceeding trigger levels

Cross Connection Control Program

Drinking Water Program



6,136

Number of backflow prevention assemblies tracked



Increase over the last 5 years in number of assemblies tracked



Compliance with annual testing requirement without need for enforcement



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A cross connection is an actual or potential connection between the drinking water lines and potential sources of contamination. One way to eliminate backflow is with the installation of a backflow prevention assembly. Each year these assemblies must be tested by a licensed tester and the results submitted to the City.

Industrial Pretreatment Program

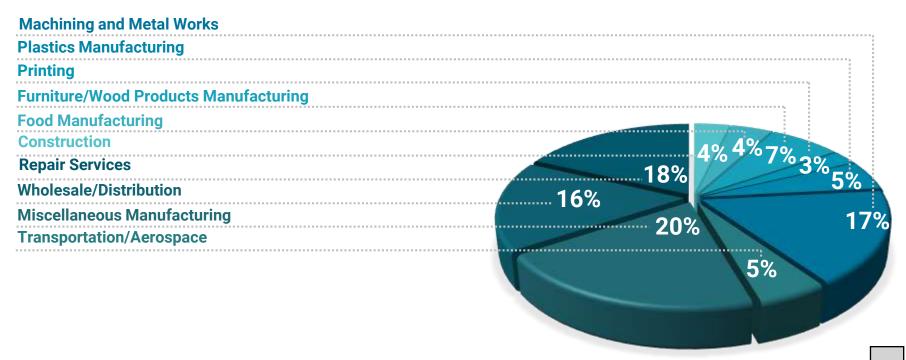
Industrial Pretreatment Program protects the wastewater treatment works from pollutants that may cause harm or interfere with operation and to protect the environment. This program monitors industrial regulates and wastewater discharged to the City's sanitary sewer system for compliance with local, state, and federal regulations. Additionally, facilities are inspected to ensure compliance with waste, air, and other requirements.



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Industrial Facility Inspection Program

Industrial Pretreatment Program



Enforcement

Industrial Pretreatment Program

31

Total number of violations of discharge limits to sanitary sewer.

1

Total number of reporting violations from permitted facilities.

8%1

Decrease in total number of violations.

1

Number of Significantly Non-Compliant facilities.

19

Number of facilities with no violations.

Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (M

Stormwater Program

73

114

287

2

Best Management Practices

As part of the City's MS4 permit, the City completed seventy-three BMPs that helped prevent or reduce discharges of pollutants

Activities

There were one-hundred fourteen activities associated with the BMPs.

Storm Drain Markers

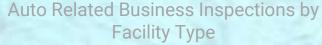
Two-hundred eighty-seven "Don't Dump" storm drain markers were placed throughout the city as one of BMPs.

Creek Clean-ups

The PHEQ staff performed two creek clean-ups in 2023 as part of the MS4 permit BMPs.

Auto-Related Business Program

Stormwater Program





670
Inspections



612

Auto-Related Businesses in Grand Prairie 118

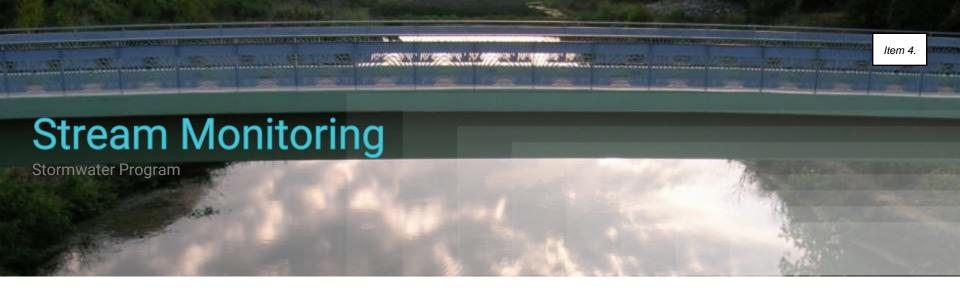
Violations observed

35

Tires w/o rims violations – Most observed violation

46

Violations observed at repair facilities – Most cited facility type



Each month, PHEQ personnel sample 25 different stream sites located in various watersheds of the creeks located with in the city including Bear Creek, Johnson Creek, Cottonwood Creek, and Fish Creek. Seven sites are part of the Clean Rivers Program (CRP). The overall goal of the CRP is to assess and improve the state's water resources. Through this program, PHEQ personnel provide quality-assured data to the TCEQ for decision making.

25

Stream sites sampled each month

300

Sampling visits made in 2023

2,100

Field measurements taken

22

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Household Hazardous Waste Program

Waste Program & Emergency Response





1,192Total number of participants



50,985

Pounds of household hazardous waste collected at City-held events



76.5

Average pounds per person received during City-held events

Emergency Response

Waste Program & Emergency Response



37

Number of emergency responses in 2023.

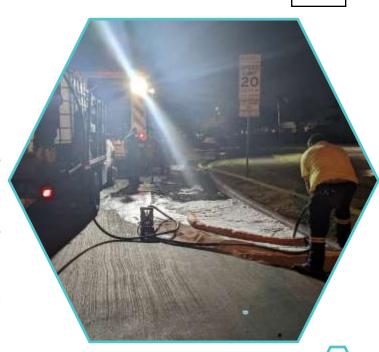
19%个

Increase in number of emergency responses from 2022 to 2023.

16

Number of afterhours responses in 2023.

The division responds to various emergency situations that involve a wide variety of environmental concerns. As was the case in previous years, fuel/oil spills were responsible for the majority of the hazardous material responses (16) in 2023.



Gas Well Program

The Year At A Glance

41

Pad sites in the City and ETJ

6

New wells drilled

1

Gas well plugged and abandoned

161 Inspections performed by City personnel

43 Viola

Violations identified by staff

Methane leaks identified by third-party inspector.







25
Investigation

Leaking Underground Storage Tank Investigation

2
Domestic Irrigation
Wells

24
Wells Plugged

26





Permitted Food & Alcohol Establishmer 18





Number of Permits

The number of active permits during 2023 was 2,089. Some facilities have multiple permits.



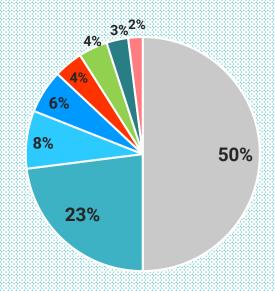
Increased Number of Permits

During this period, a 6.6% increase in the number of permits was observed in comparison with the previous



2023 Inspections

A total of **2,033** inspections were performed during this review period.



- Food Service
- Food Warehouse
- School Cafeteria
- Bakery/Deli

- Grocery
- Food Manufacturer
- Drinking Establishm
- Meat Market

Mobile and Itinerant Vendors

In 2023, 118 Permits were issued to mobile and itinerant vendors. This represent a 30.5% increase from 2022.



Mobile kitchens (food trucks) are self-contained units that prepared a wide variety of food items onsite.



A non-motorized vehicle propelled by a human force. These units only sell commercially prepackaged ice cream.



Motorized units that sell only commercially prepackaged food items.

They are not equipped to prepare food onsite.



Itinerant vendors are
vendors that sell fruits,
vegetables, and other food
items at farmer's markets
and flea markets.



Motorized vehicles that sell commercially prepackaged ice cream and snacks.

Food Handler Cards Program

The program's main objective is the prevention of food borne diseases. This is accomplished by training and certifying food service employees through its accredited program. 132 111 2021 2023

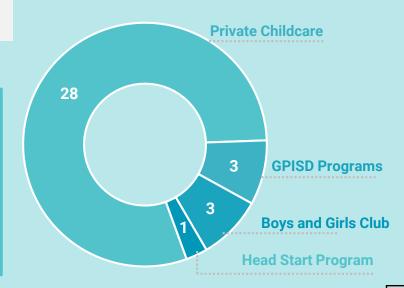
Childcare Inspection Program

The Childcare Inspection Program inspects licensed commercial facilities and registered family homes.

Licensed Childcare Centers are commercial establishments that provide care, supervision, training, or education to children less that 14 years of age. **Registered Family Homes** are facilities that provide care for children in the caregivers' own residence. They may care for up to 12 children.

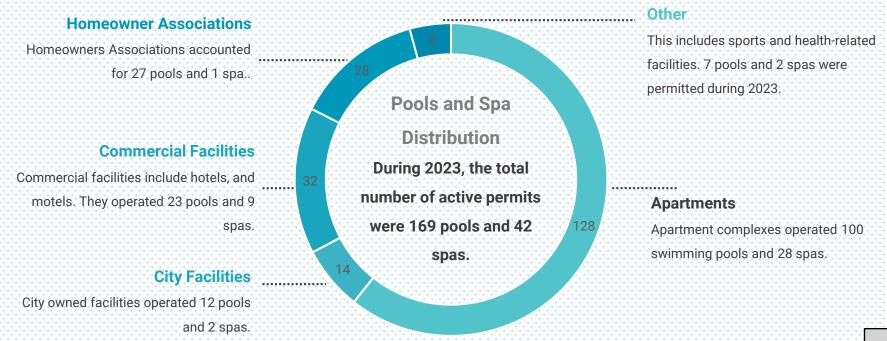
Permitted Facilities

35 Licensed Childcare Centers 26 Registered Family Homes Licensed Childcare Centers



Swimming Pools Inspection Program

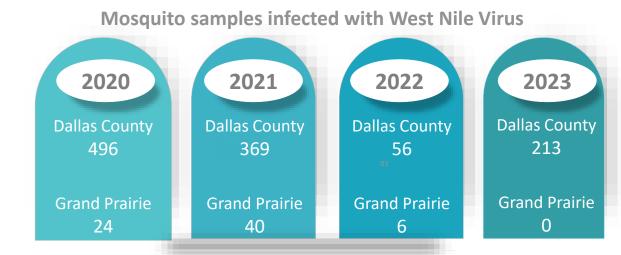
The Swimming Pool Inspection Program is designed to ensure compliance with the Texas Department of State Health Services standards and the City of Grand Prairie Code of Ordinances.



Mosquito Control Program

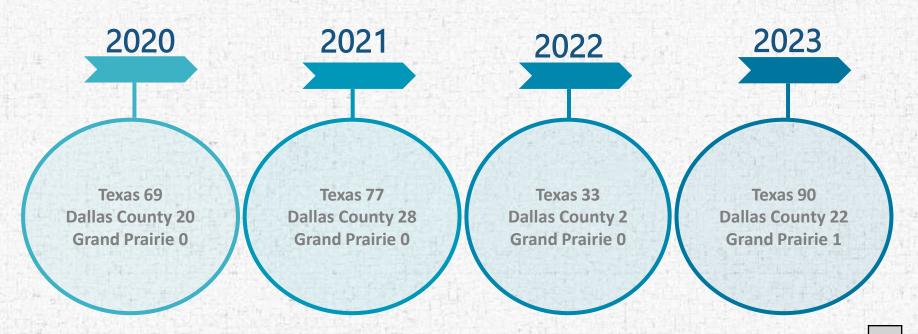
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Positive Mosquit o Pools



In 2023, PHEQ collected 835 mosquito pools.

Human Cases of West Nile Virus Disease



Plan Review 2023



Building Permits



681

Certificate of Occupancy



18%

Increase over 2022

Public Education 65 Events







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Environmental Education At A Glance

Earth Day





+600 Attendees

>200 Trees Given Away











Events: 3

Booths: 8



Business Partners

Gold: 5

Silver: 2

Bronze: 42



Social Media Postings

Number: 10

Impressions: 18,013 ₃₈

Air North Texas

2023 At A Glance

38 Posts



Impressions: 25,000



17 Events

Outreach to more than 3,500

12 Industries



Participated in the Clean Air

Action Challenge

Outreach to Permitted Facilities

- H20 Line
- Auto Watch
- Food For Thought
- 23 Food School Classes
- 4 Environmental Compliance Meetings
- 1 Auto Related Business Meeting

9

Newsletters

28

Meetings or Trainings









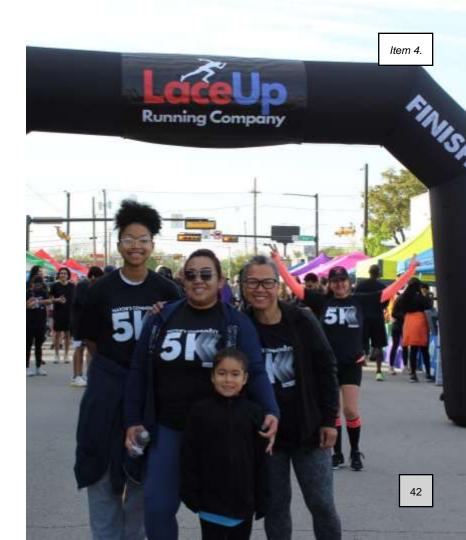


Get Fit GP

Events
Hosted or
Attended



Events/Opportunities	Events/Opportunities		
Health Passport	Mi Familia Community Fair		
Big Event	Hispanic Heritage Open House and Community Health Fair		
Mother's Day Celebration	Parkland Health Fair		
Cyclin with the Mayor	Senior Job Fair		
Mayor's 5k	Street N Treat		
Pink Out	National Night Out		
Back the Blue	Prairie Paws Birthday Bash		
Grand Holiday Craft & Health Fair	GPISD Health Fair		
Cinco de Mayo	AND MORE		



Get Fit by the Numbers

Activity	#		
Social Media Posts	60		
# Impressions	143,201		
Constant Contact Posts	15		
# of Sends	193.448		
Open Rate	36%		
Get Fit Pledges	4,582		
Web Views	1,486		
Users	741		



Get Fit Pledge

Health Pledge! Take the pledge and enter to win monthly drawing for prizes!

10 Social Media Posts

5 Events Attended 15,096
Social Media Impressions

4,092,003
Views of billboard by motorists

Billboard on I-30 & I-20 July 2023

44

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Complaint Response



PHEQ Enforcement

2023 At a Glance

TOTAL ACTIONS = 1,142

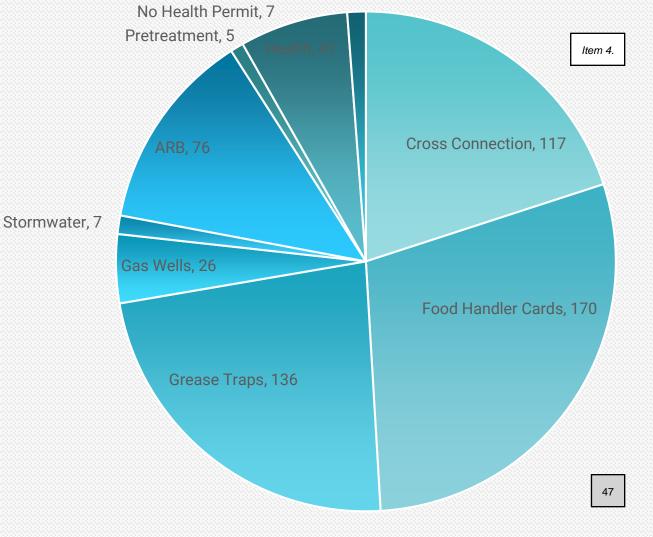
TOTAL NOTICES OF VIOLATIONS = 766

TOTAL CITATIONS = 376

TOTAL # OF CHARGES = 585

Citation Charges by Program

n = 585



Citation Resolutions

268

2023 citation charges paid

317

2023 charges still pending

\$122,886

Total collected for 2023 citations

474

2022 citation charges paid

113

2022 charges still pending

\$272,123

Total collected for 2022 citations

Goals 2024

01

Municipal Greenhouse Gas Inventory

PHEQ is completing this inventory and will utilize this information to develop a City Municipal Sustainability Plan



02

Densman Clinic Re-Opening

Clinical services by Dallas County Health & Human Services are expected to resume by the fourth quarter of 2024



03

Quality Programs

Commitment to continuous improvement in public health and environmental protection





CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE COMMUNICATION

MEETING DATE: 04/08/2024

REQUESTER: Cindy Mendez, Public Health & Environmental Quality Director

PRESENTER: Cindy Mendez, Public Health & Environmental Quality Director

TITLE: 2023 Clean Prairie Report

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Review



Clean Prairie 2023 Annual Report







Clean Prairie Partners

Public Health & Environmental Quality Solid Waste & Recycling Housing & Neighborhood Services Code Compliance





Part 1: Clean Prairie Outreach

- •• 8 community events attended.
- 1 community-wide cleanup
- 1 beautification pilot program
- Approximately 2,200 attendees

Clean Prairie Outreach

1/19/2023	Employee Seed Swap
3/25/2023	The Big Event
4/1/2023	Mayor's 5K Walk
4/15/2023	Earth Day Celebration
5/13/2023	Marty Party
7/20/23	CWTM: Back the Blue
9/21/2023	CWTM: Mi Familia Community Fair
10/19/2023	Clean Prairie Burbank Gardens Beautification Pilot Program













Clean Prairie



Clean Prairie Fall Sweep

- Second year
- → 241 volunteers across 11 locations
- ≈ 8,500 pounds of litter collected



Clean Prairie Fall Sweep Participants

- → Families & Friends
- **→** GP Metro Rotary
- IKFA
- International Paper (Box Plant)
- → Pratt & Whitney
- ◆ Theta Phi Eta Sorority
- South GP High School

- → Dario Auto Sales
- **→** Trinity River Authority
- **→** The Lions Club
- Young Men's Leadership Academy
- Advantage Academy
- Tom DeierleinFoundation
- → Junkluggers of Dallas







Giveaways





















Part 2: Clean Prairie Recognition

Clean Prairie Companies Recognized

- IKEA
- International Paper-Bag Plant
 - **►** Lockheed Martin

- Pepsico
- Pratt & Whitney









Clean Prairie Companies







BRONZE Companies

42 in total

SILVER Companies

Dario Auto Sales

Longhorn Deck

GOLD

Companies

IKEA

Lockheed

Martin

Pratt & Whitney

Pepsi Co

International

Paper- Bag

Plant

60



Part 3: Clean Prairie Stats





Solid Waste & Recycling Stats

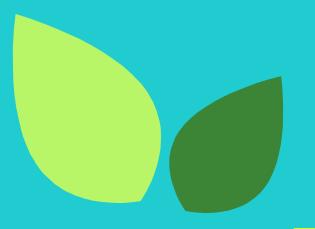


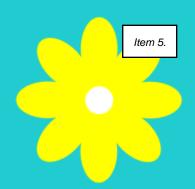
Program	Number of Events	Total # of Volunteers	# of volunteers under 18	Total Volunteer Hours	Cost Benefit	Pounds of Litter & Debris Removed
Adopt-a- Cemetery	2	48	44	144	\$4,299.84	3,700
Adopt-a-Stream	14	299	57	845	\$25,216.77	6,220
Adopt-a-Street	288	1,997	957	3,437	\$102,628.82	18,270
Total	304	2,344	1,058	4,426	\$132,145.43	28,190



Housing Stats

Rehabs- 10
Emergencies- 40
Buying Power- 2
Tenant Based Rental Assistance- 205
Building Blocks- 76 projects with \$236,416
issued in rebates





Code Stats

Violations brought into compliance: 10,093

Bandit Signs Pulled: 3,232

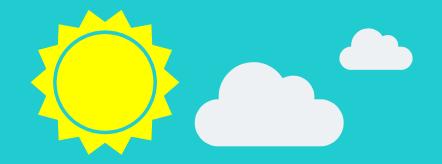
Illegal Dumping Abatements: TBD

Town Halls Attended: 4

Neighborhood Watch/PID Meetings

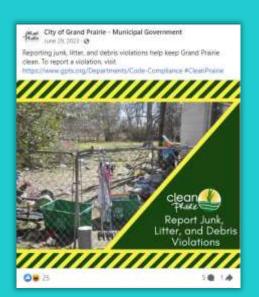
Attended: 7





Social Media





- → 10 Facebook posts with 15,161 impressions.
- → 11 X (formerly Twitter)
 posts with 2,852
 impressions.





Part 4: Clean Prairie 2024



Upcoming Events

3/1-5/31- North Texas Cleanup Challenge (2024 Mayor's Community Cleanup Challenge)



3/23- The Big Event

4/6 - Get Fit 5k & Community Health Fair





2024 Outreach





2024 Earth Day Celebration and Tree Giveaway- April 20

3rd Annual Clean Prairie Fall Sweep

- → To be hosted on September 21.
- Cleanup will take place at different locations throughout the city

