NEIGHBORHOOD LEADERSHIP NETWORK

Virtual QUARTERLY MEETING

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2023
9:30 AM

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AGENDA

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Announcements
3. Nora Coronado: Residential Trash Cart Service
4. Homelessness Panel Discussion
    - Lt. Kimberly Harris, Arlington Police Department
    - Nikky Lewis, Grants Manager
    - Brian Daugherty, Director, Code Compliance
5. Capital Projects Update
6. City Sound Off: Highlights & Lowlights
7. Neighborhood Forum: Concerns, Issues, Solutions
8. Future Discussion Items
9. Adjourn

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Welcome and Introductions

Announcements

SUICIDE PREVENTION
MONTH

REDISCOVERING HOPE

Panel Discussion

RAUL H GONZALEZ
MODERATOR

SEPTEMBER 7TH
Bob Duncan Center
5:30pm - 7pm
ENGLISH 5:30PM

JEFF WILLIAMS

MICHAEL DAILEY

AMANDA HIBBS

ANTONIETA AMENDOLARA

ESTHER SCOTT

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Residential Trash Cart Service

Nora Coronado

Director
Asset Management

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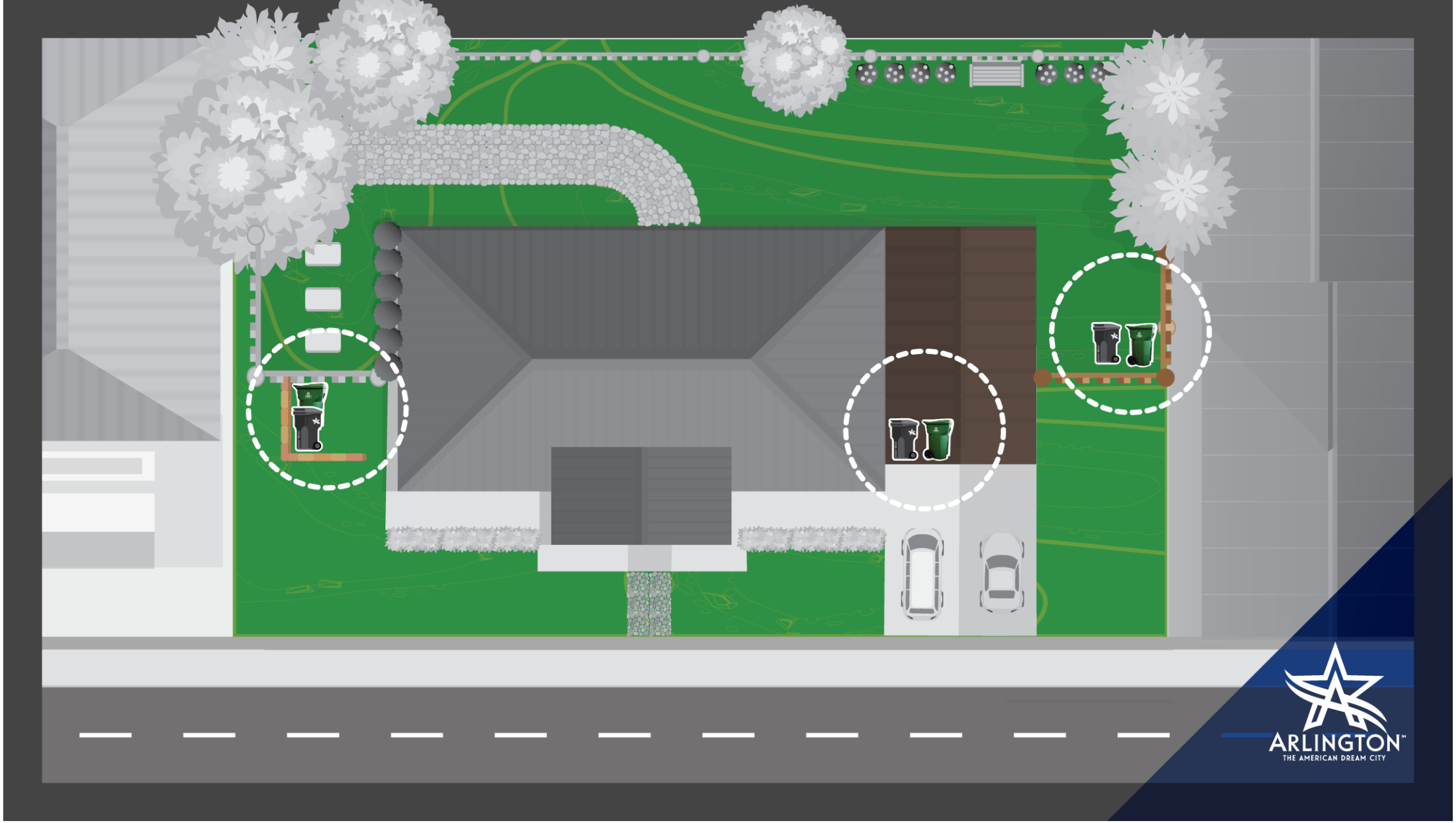
Let's get ROLLING

Trash carts coming ***February 2024***

Visit ***ArlingtonTX.gov/TrashPickup*** *for more info or* ***scan the QR code.***

SCAN HERE FOR MORE INFO



Carts must be stored out of view from the public right-of-way.

Homelessness Panel Discussion

Lt. Kimberly Harris, Arlington Police Department

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Homelessness Panel Discussion

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Homeless Engagement And Resources Team

An Overview

What is homelessness?

- The Department of Housing and Urban Development, Department of Health and Human Services, and the Department of Veterans Affairs consider a person to be homeless if:
  - they are sleeping outside, in a place not meant for human habitation such as a car or abandoned building, or in an emergency shelter or transitional housing program. Other federal agencies have different definitions for homelessness.

Barriers

- Lack of support
- Lack of identification
- Transportation
- Addiction, trauma, mental health, etc.
- Lack of immediate solutions
- Lack of easily accessible resources
- Available housing units
- Lack of education
- Criminal history
- Low Barrier shelter options

What do we do?

Team Functions…

- Manage influx of referrals
- Encampment site identification and mapping
- Individual connection:
  - Provide resources
  - Case management
- Enforcement and follow-up on encampment sites
- Partner with Code Compliance, Union Pacific Railroad, City Manager's Office and more
- Point in Time Count (PIT Night)
- Arlington Case Conference and TOTEL meetings
- Community education

Referral Sources

- City Manager's Office
- Code Compliance
- Ask Arlington
- Officers/Command Staff
- MHMR LL
- HANA
- Hands of Hope
- Parks

Homeless Encampment - #13343169

Details

STATUS - Submitted
PRIORITY - None
SUBMITTED [redacted]
SUBMITTED THROUGH - Iframe
FOLLOWERS - N/A

Dates

DATE SUBMITTED - February 27, 2023, 4:40 pm
DUE DATE - March 13, 2023, 12:00 am

Contact

[redacted]

LOCATION - 2131 N Collins St, Arlington, TX 76011, USA
-
NUMBER OF PEOPLE. - 4-8
CURRENTLY ASSIGNED TO - Not currently assigned
DESCRIPTION - Multiple tent type structures along the fence and in the woods. Several homeless individuals and couples frequently seen pushing carts and carrying bags into the tents and into the woods. Litter strewn throughout the area.

Workflow

Things we do on site

- Photograph the encampment
- Locate individuals
  - Offer care packages
  - Offer resources
  - Hands of Hope
- Issuing CTW

Follow-Up

- Follow Up with Code Compliance
- Referral to the appropriate district for monitoring
- Case Management Effort
  - Completing housing applications
  - Mission Arlington
  - Personal Documents
    - ID/Birth Certificate/SS Cards
  - JPS Connect Applications
  - Catholic Charities Applications
  - Homeless affidavits
  - Partnering with other programs

District Notification of Homeless Encampment

Alcon,

We have identified a homeless encampment in your district that is of growing concern. This notification serves as a starting point to facilitate communication and create a work group to manage the encampment. Further communication is forthcoming from Community Outreach.

Location: **Indian Creek Area**

Property 1:
Address: 1201 N Watson
Property Owner: [redacted]
Representative: [redacted]

Property 2:
Address: 1200 Susan Dr
Carl Knox Jr Park

Complaint Overview

- Multiple Complaints received via Ask Arlington. Currently, there are 6 complaints each describing trash, and the encampments in the area.

BHRO Sub-Group

Property Owner Assistance

Arlington Police Department
Authorization for Criminal Trespass Warning

Address Information	Property Type:
Business Name / Business Telephone Address	☐Residential Use ☐Apartment Complex ☐Hotel/Motel ☐Commercial or Business Property ☐Include Parking Lots ☐Industrial Property

Business/Property Owner Information	
Print Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) Address (if different than above)	☐Property Owner ☐Property Occupant ☐Lessee *Telephone* Home: Work:

Business/Property REPRESENTATIVE (if different than above)	
Print Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) Address	☐Property Owner ☐Property Occupant ☐Lessee *Telephone* Home: Work:

I hereby authorize officers of the Arlington Police Department to enforce Texas Penal Code Section 30.05, Criminal Trespass, and to warn and direct persons to leave the above-described property or business. I am granting this limited authority to the Arlington Police Department and requesting that officers enforce the Criminal Trespass provision on said property. This limited authority does not obligate the Arlington Police Department to patrol the described property for or at any specific hours or days.

I will assist the Arlington Police Department, the Arlington City Attorney's Office, and the Tarrant County District Attorney's Office in the prosecution of any person charged with Criminal Trespass, or any other criminal offense on the above-described property. If requested, I will cooperate with the Arlington Police Department by placing signs on the above-described property. Such signs will provide warning of who will be considered trespassers on such property.

This authorization shall remain valid unless revoked by me in writing. If I sell or give up control over this property described above, I will notify the Arlington Police Department.

Signature of property owner or representative: _____ Effective Date _____

For Notary Only:

Sworn and subscribed before me

This_____ day of _____, 20_____

_____
Notary Public, State of Texas

Arlington Police Department

Notice of Criminal Trespass Warning

_____ (Name/DOB of person receiving warning) is hereby given formal notice to vacate the following property within _____hours:

Property name/type: _____

Address: _____

The Arlington Police Department has been giving the authority to enforce *Sec. 30.05 Criminal Trespass* at the listed location by the property owner. Failure to vacate within the time frame provided will result in arrest for Criminal Trespass. Any items left on the property may be disposed of by the property owner or Code Enforcement.

Date notice Provided:_____

Report Number:_____

Officer Providing Notice:_____

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Affidavits

Property Owner Informational

ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW AS A PROPERTY OWNER

There are many responsibilities and stressors that may come with owning property whether it may be a vacant lot, a home, or a business. One of the concerns that may arise is the sudden appearance of a homeless camp or seeing homeless individuals on your property.

The city of Arlington understands that this may be a significant concern for our citizens. This brochure is outlined to assist you, as the property owner, in making informed decisions about your property when such issues arise.

The city does have processes in place to address these issues and it is our continued hope to partner with the community to be sure this is a place our community members can thrive safely.

Contacts:

APD H.E.A.R.T.
Homeless Engagement and Resource Team
- Officer Elizabeth Duong
  817-823-8699
- CIS Sharlene Christiansen
  817-823-4375

Code Compliance:
817-459-6777

Hands of Hope:
817-298-2779

Tarrant County Homeless Coalition:
817-996-8800

MHMR Tarrant:
817-335-3022

Arlington Housing Authority:
817-275-3351

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Homeless Encampment Informational

POLICE

As a property owner, you have the right to issue a Criminal Trespass Warning to anyone who is on your property.

Criminal Trespass Warning:
- Officer must be present
- Individual to be trespassed must be present
- Owner decides when they are to leave and for how long they are to remain off the property.

After a warning is issued, officers will complete a report and add the individual into a trespass log accessible to all officers.

Criminal Trespass:
- If an individual is found on your property following the warning, and time given to vacate has passed, the individual will be arrested for trespass.
- Prosecution may require your presence at a court date.

NOTE: Police do not take any enforcement action in regard to property clean-up.

CODE COMPLIANCE

After individuals at the location have vacated, code compliance or appropriate party will evaluate the area.

Property owners are responsible for keeping their property clean and will be responsible for removing any remnants of the encampment left behind.

Failure to do so may result in citations by Code Compliance - "Unclean Premise". Owners are given a certain amount of time to clean their property before being cited.

If the owner has been cited and the property has not been cleaned, Code Officers may obtain an Abatement Warrant signed by a judge. The warrant allows Code Compliance the right to clean a specified area within the property. The property owner is then billed for the cost the city incurred.

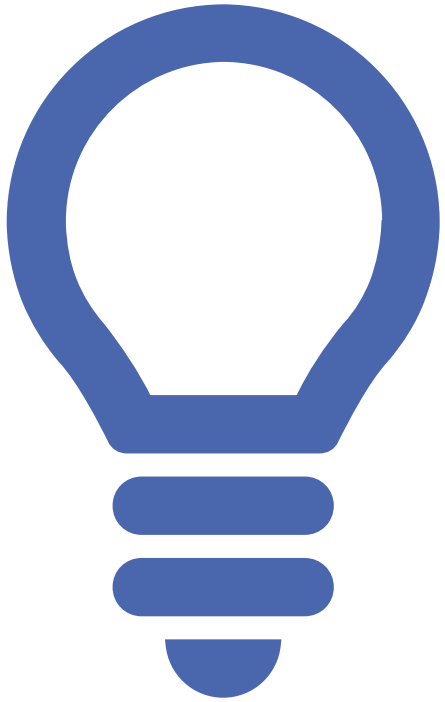
OUTREACH

Arlington Police Department's Behavioral Health Law Enforcment Unit houses the Homeless Engagement and Resource Team (HEART) which consists of Behavioral Health Response Officers and a Crisis Intervention Specialist.

HEART responds to complaints of encampments or unsheltered individuals within the city of Arlington. Once an encampment is identified, the HEART makes contact and collaborates with city partners to ensure systems work fluidly.

The use of local resources is essential to address the needs of our unsheltered. Partnerships allows for continued outreach contacts. Our community partners include, Hands of Hope, Mission Arlington, MHMR, Tarrant County Homeless Coalition, Arlington Housing Authority and more.

MHMR Tarrant also offers a Mental Health Diversion Center. Police may utilize this one-stop resource connection for individuals experiencing a behavioral health crisis in lieu of arresting for criminal trespass. This center provides an abundance of resources including case management, shelter and mental health resources.



Impacts and Solutions

Impacts of Homelessness

- Homelessness puts people at a higher risk for victimization, poor health, loneliness, depression which in turn can lead to chemical dependency, and crime amongst other issues.
- Homeless can exacerbate ongoing conditions include medical issues and mental illness.
  - They are more likely to utilize emergency services
- Victimization:
  - Unsheltered individuals are more likely to be a victim a violent crime over a perpetrator.
- Low life expectancy
  - Life expectancy for a housed individual in the US is 78 years old. For a person without a home, it is 50 years.

What is the solution?

- Housing First Solutions
  - AFFORDABLE housing
    - Housing where the occupant is paying no more than 30 percent of the gross income for gross housing costs, including utilities according to the National Low Income Housing annual report
    - Unfortunately, Texas tops list of worst states for affordable and available housing.
    - Statistically housing costs less. Evidence suggests that as much as 1 millions in public money is saved annually for every 100 chronically homeless individuals housed based on reduced use of hospital care and emergency services.
    - Jail costs 70 dollars a night, a shelter is 48 and a home is 25 dollars
- Once housing is established we still face other barriers for continued stable housing and management of the cost of living
  - Employment
  - Transportation
  - Childcare
  - Education
  - Etc.

HOW TO HELP

- Volunteer at Shelters
- Donate to non-profits
- Advocate for housing
- Invest in Solutions
- Care packages
  - Socks (white), Toiletries, Blankets (especially in the winter), Snacks, Body wipes, Water bottles

WAYS TO REACH OUT

HANDS OF HOPE
Homeless street outreach in our city
817-298-2779

H.E.A.R.T
Reaching out to the team to provide resources

ASK ARLINGTON
App where citizens can go to file different types of complaints

CALL 911
Request for officers to be dispatched to the property

WHEN TO CALL 911

Y

Experiencing an active crisis or need immediate response

Y

Subject sleeping/ sitting in front of Location

Y

Pan Handling

ANY QUESTIONS?

CONTACT US!

Elizabeth Duong

- Work Cell: 817-823-3699
- Heart@arlingtontx.gov

Sharlene Christiansen

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Homelessness Panel Discussion

Nikki Lewis
Grants Manager

ARLINGTON HOMELESS PARTNERSHIPS

Neighborhood Leadership Network Meeting

August 19, 2023

Grants Management

Using federal funds from HUD, Grants Management establishes community partnerships and provides oversight of funding for homeless assistance, housing rehabilitation & purchases, public service programming, and the creation of new housing developments. This collaborative outreach effort ensures equitable and essential services are provided throughout the City of Arlington. Funds are used to improve quality of life and create economic opportunities for citizens. In addition to providing resources for neighborhood improvement programs and activities, federal funds are invested annually in Arlington's neighborhoods for housing preservation and development, neighborhood revitalization, public services, and capital improvements. Being open, responsive, and invested in new approaches, Grants Management strives to meet the needs of Arlington citizens and to improve their quality of life.

Homeless Defined

- **An individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning:**
- **(i) An individual or family with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground;**
- **(ii) An individual or family living in a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state, or local government programs for low-income individuals); or**
- **(iii) An individual who is exiting an institution where he or she resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution;**
- **For full definition please refer to:** 24 CFR 576.2 "Homeless"

City of Arlington Shelter Services

Arlington Life Shelter (ALS)

325 W. Division Street

24-Hour Emergency Shelter/Wrap around services

Salvation Army

712 West Abram Street

Homeless Shelters/Emergency Assistance/Wrap around services

SafeHaven

Location Undisclosed

Only state designated family violence center in Tarrant County/Wrap around services

Homeless Prevention Services & Street Outreach

Hands of Hope

-Full Time Street Outreach

-Works in partnership with the Arlington Police Department.

-Finds those in living in unsuitable habitats.

-Connects them to the correct agency to meet their needs.

Arlington Urban Ministries

-Rental Assistance

-Utility Assistance

-Food Pantry Services

INCLEMENT WEATHER

- **Cold Weather Overflow Emergency Shelter Plan**
  - City and local nonprofit entities, agree to work together to develop and implement a community wide response to cold weather.
  - Plan provides for up to 100 emergency shelter beds
- **City of Arlington Cooling Stations**
  - Salvation Army
  - Arlington Life Shelter
  - All City of Arlington Public Library Locations

Text ARLCOLD to 817-241-3544 to sign up for Arlington text alerts about inclement weather operations.

Emergency Solutions Grant PY2017-PY2021

11738	7163	3938	31%	832	105
Homeless Sheltered	Adults	Children	Exits to Permanent Housi...	Homeless Prevention	Rapid Rehousing

Year
All

Total Funding PY2017-2021

1.38M

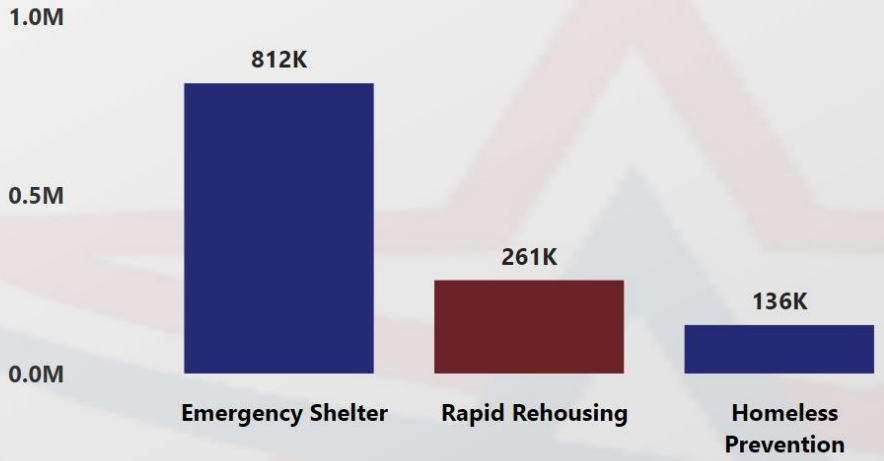
ESG Service Categories

Emergency Shelter
Supports operating costs for shelters and for costs to renovate buildings for use as shelter as well case management services such as childcare, education, employment assistance and and job training for individuals residing in the shelter.

Rapid Rehousing
Supports people experiencing homelessness move into permanent housing and achieve stability.

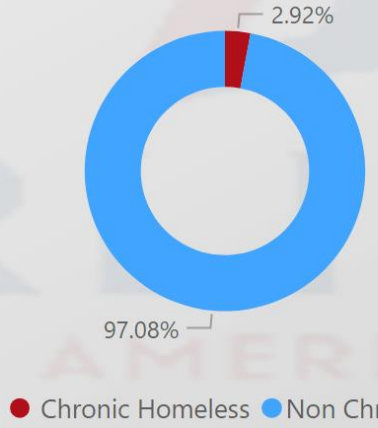
Homeless Prevention
Provides rental assistance or relocation and stabilization services to prevent individuals and families from moving into an emergency shelter

ESG Funding By Service Category

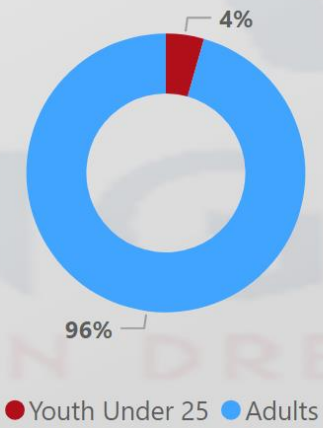


Homeless Sheltered Over Time

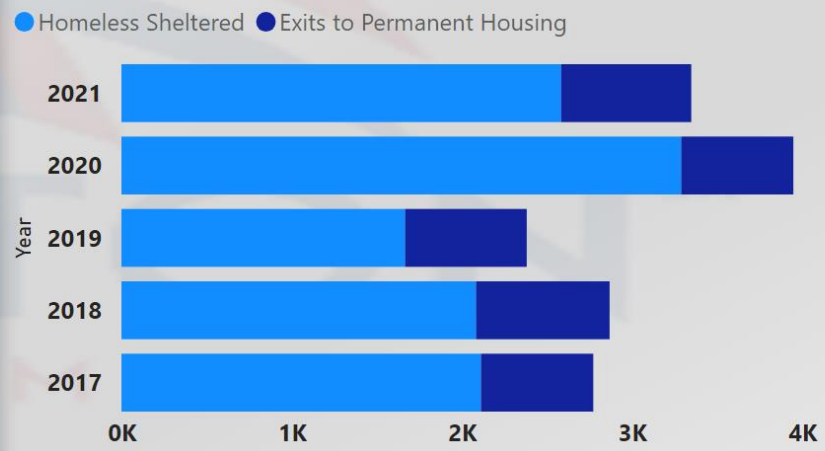
Chronic Homelessness



Homeless Youth Under 25



Exits to Permanent Housing by Program Year



CITY OF ARLINGTON GRANTS MANAGEMENT COVID-19 RESPONSE

The City of Arlington received funding through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security(CARES) Act to prevent, prepare for and respond to coronavirus. The funding under CDBG was used to provide immediate needs such as rental assistance, utility assistance, meal delivery and food pantry services, youth services , mental health services, provision of childcare for essential workers. The CARES Act funding under the ESG program was used to shelter the homeless, prevent homelessness, provide street outreach for unsheltered homeless persons and families. The report below is a graphical representation of the impact of the CARES Act on the city of Arlington.

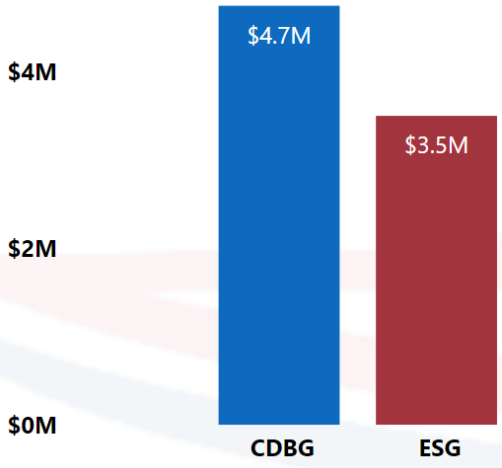
$8.25M

Total Funding PY2020-PY2022

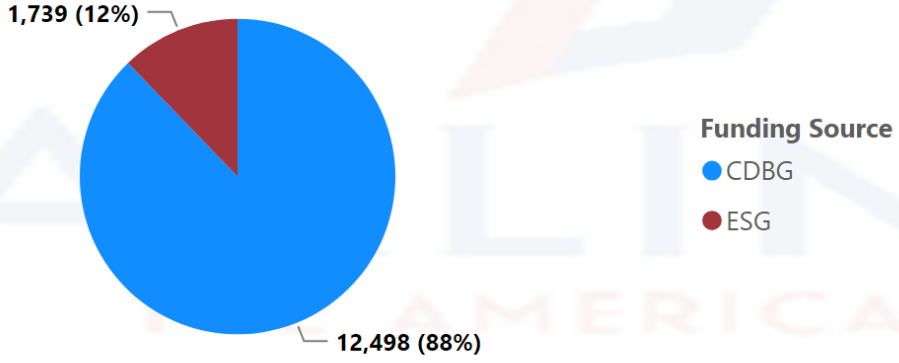
14K

People Served

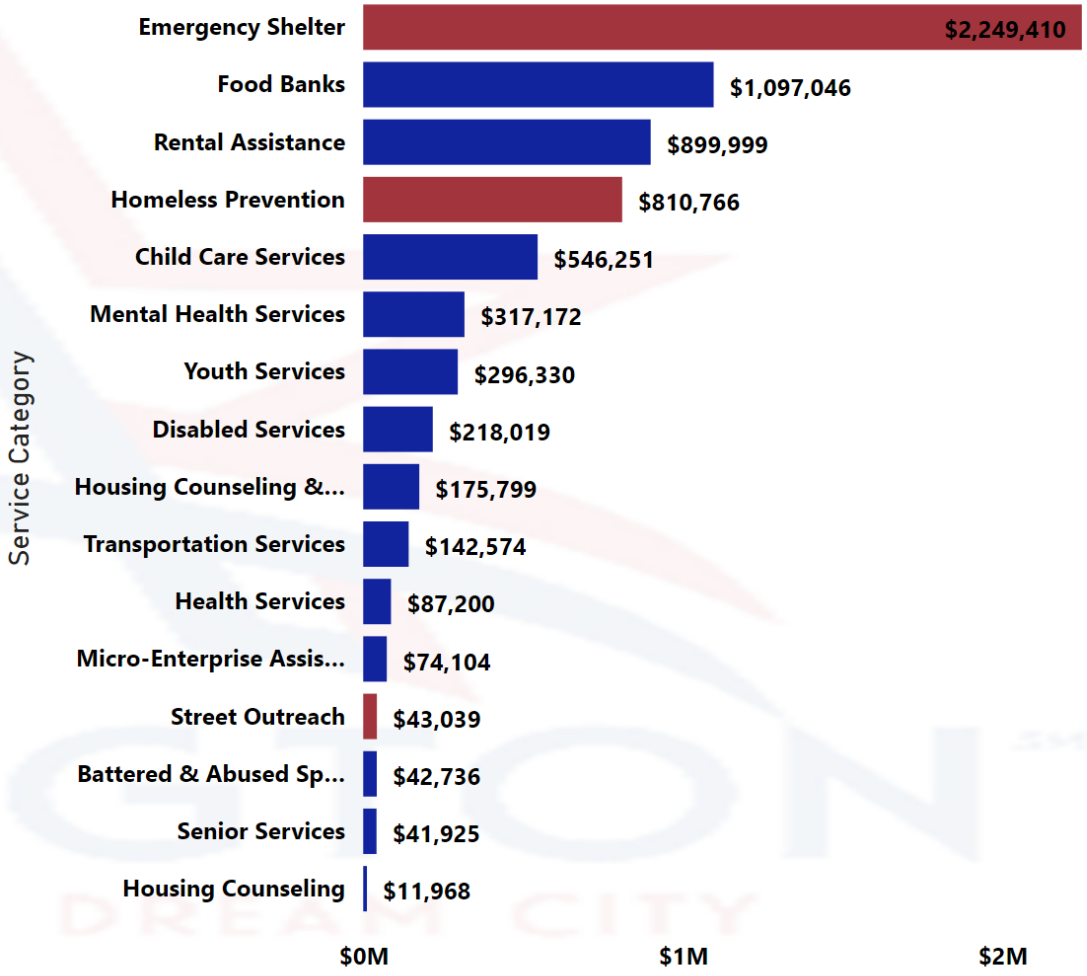
Covid-19 Funding by Funding Source



People Served by Funding Source



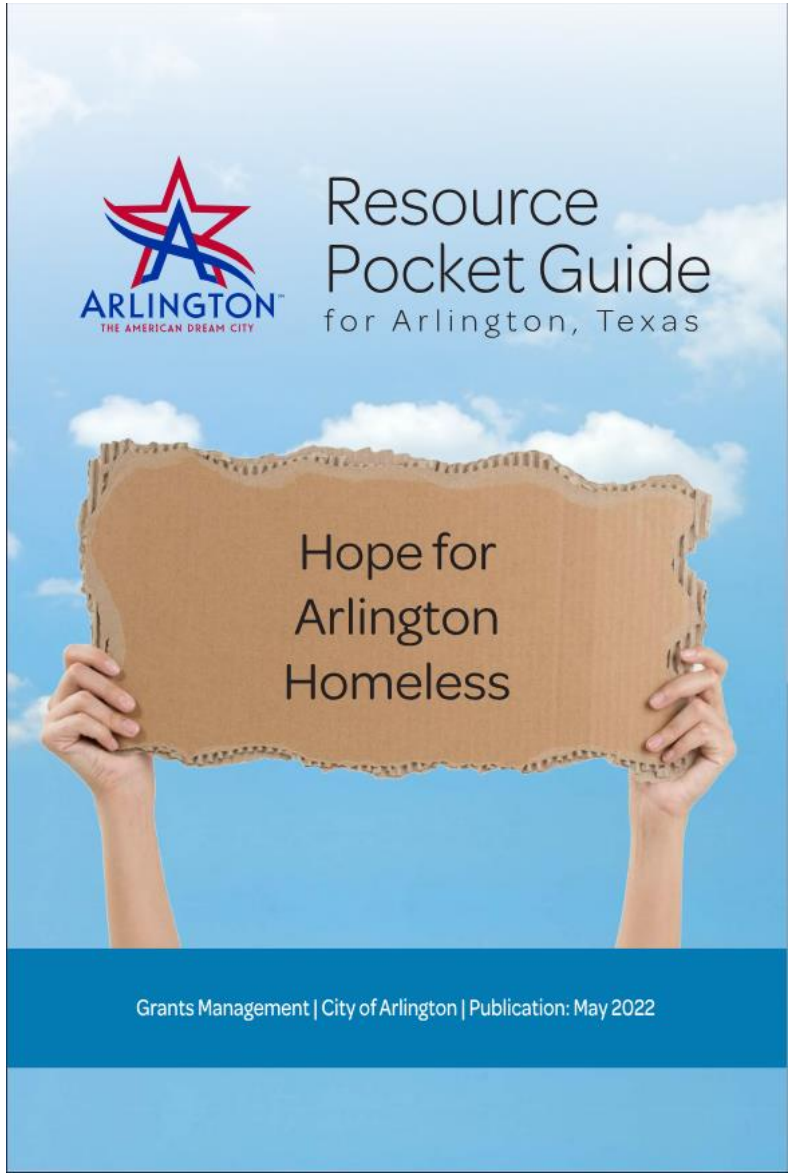
Services Provided



HOME-AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (HOME-ARP)

- On Sept. 20, 2021, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development awarded the City of Arlington $4,583,064 of funds from the HOME-American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 ("HOME-ARP").
- HOME-ARP funds are to be used to help communities create affordable housing and services for people experiencing or who are at risk of experiencing homelessness.
- To house those experiencing homelessness or those most at risk of becoming homeless.
- Create 26 permanent one- bedroom/Efficiency supportive housing (PSH) units through renovation/conversion or new construction
- Collaborate to provide on-going supportive services for such households for a period of at least 20 years.

Homeless Resources



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Homelessness Panel

Brian Daugherty
Code Compliance Director

City of Arlington: Capital Projects Update

- Each Quarter, NLN meeting will include status updates on capital improvement projects throughout the City.
- The following project updates do not include ALL capital projects in the City, but a snapshot of those that have reached major milestones such as construction started, beginning of a new phase of construction, or substantially complete construction.
- If there are other capital improvement projects you are interested in, let us know and we can provide a status update follow-up.

City of Arlington: Capital Projects Update

Project	Location	Project Amount	Start Date	Anticipated Completion	Milestone
ACTIV (Active Adult Center)	W. Green Oaks Blvd.	$55.3 million	January 2023	Spring 2024	Underground utilities and prep work underway
Fire Station 1	W. Main St.	$9.6 million	September 2021	September 2023	Nearly complete, landscape and finishes
North Police Substation & Evidence Storage	E. Lamar Blvd.	$20 million	December 2023	Spring 2025	Architects working on design
Eunice Recreation Center	Eunice St.	$770,000	March 2022	September 2023	Demolition complete
NE Library Renovations	Brown Blvd.	$520,000	December 2023	February 2024	Mechanical equipment on order
Police SWAT Improvements	Undisclosed	$466,000	March 2023	September 2023	Building construction vertical underway
Fire Station 8	Madison Dr.	$14.8 million	August 2022	Summer 2024	Construction Bid planned for Sept.
City Tower Improvements	S. Mesquite St.	$4 million	April 2022	Winter 2025	Construction Bid planned for Sept.
Generators for Elzie Odom Rec and Beacon Rec Centers	NE Green Oaks Blvd. & Mansfield Webb Rd.	$2.3 million	April 2022	Spring 2024	Generator enclosures complete; generators will be delivered March 2024

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Project	Location	Project Amount	Start Date	Anticipated Completion	Milestone
Mineral Well Plaza	City Center Plaza	$2.4 million	October 2022	September 2023	Ribbon Cutting planned for Sept. 16
Korean War Memorial	Veterans Park	$1.2 million	February 2023	November 2023	In "vertical" construction
Matthews Court Drainage Improvements – Phase III	Fielder Rd. at Randol Mill-Sanford	$14.1 million	May 2022	Substantially Complete	New storm drains, W/SS replacement, new traffic signal, repavement
Upper Johnson Creek Dredging	Lakes at Matlock Pond	$1.4 million	TBD	TBD	Dredging of pond with grade control structures
Bowman Springs Road (Enchanted Bay to I-20)	Bowman Springs Rd.	$13.4 million	June 2022	Fall 2023	3-lane roadway with roundabout sidewalks, and infrastructure improvements
Harris Road (Calendar to Cooper)	Harris Rd.	$13 million	March 2021	Fall 2023	3-lane concrete roadway with intersection improvements at Cooper, and infrastructure improvements

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City of Arlington: Capital Projects Update

Project	Location	Project Amount	Start Date	Anticipated Completion	Milestone
Sublett Road (City Limits to Joplin)	Sublett Rd.	$9.6 million	January 2023	Spring 2024	Connect road with bridge including bike lanes over Rush Creek into Kennedale
Turner Warnell (Matlock to Cooper)	Turner Warnell Rd.	$34.1 million	April 2023	Summer 2025	Widen to 4-lane road with infrastructure improvements
Residential Rebuilds	Shenandoah Drive & Custer Street	$6.4 million	August 2023	Spring 2024	Rebuild of both streets with infrastructure improvements
Debbie Lane (City Limits to SH 360)	Debbie Ln.	$24.6 million	TBD	TBD	Widen to 4-lane road. Completing right-of-way acquisition to start construction
Davis Pressure Plane Improvements	S. Fielder/Arkansas	$7.16 million	March 2022	Jan/Feb 2024	Water main improvements are 80% complete, then repaving can begin
Water Main Improvements	Various Locations in Central Arlington	$9.4 million	November 2023	Fall 2024	Council will consider contract for replacement of approx. 12,500 water and sewer mains and repave 2.31 miles of roadway.

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City Sound Off:

Highlights & Lowlights

Neighborhood Forum: Concerns, Issues, Solutions

Future Meetings/Discussion Items

Join the Neighborhood Leadership Network Listserv

The NLN Listserv gives neighborhood leaders direct access to other neighborhood leaders in between NLN Quarterly meetings.

Joining the NLN Listserv allows you to email other NLN Listserv members directly with question, concerns, advice (city moderated).

Send an email to Cynthia.T.Cruz@ArlingtonTx.gov to request more information on joining the NLN Listserv!

2024 Neighborhood Matching Grants

- $150,000 available in 2024 to fund improvement projects that beautify and enhance public spaces and neighborhoods.
- Applications accepted August 1 to November 3, 2023.
- Grant awards from $10,000 to $25,000 depending on organization type.
- Information Sessions for prospective applicants from August to October 2023 at local venues near you.
- For Program Requirements, Information Session Schedules and Frequently Asked Questions, visit www.arlingtontx.gov/neighborhoods or email us at neighborhoods@arlingtontx.gov.

2023 National Night Out & Block Party Trailer Raffle Survey

- National Night Out is Tuesday, October 3, 2023.
- Take our survey to enter the raffle for the Block Party Trailer to come to your National Night Out party on October 3, 2023! Each survey for your neighborhood counts as one entry, so be sure to have all of your neighbors fill out a survey too!
- The winner will be chosen at random and announced on September 14.
- Be sure to register your party with the Arlington Police Department at **www.arlingtontx.gov/NNO**.
- **Click on this link to take the** survey **to enter the raffle! More info at http://www.arlingtontx.gov/blockparty.**

Next Meeting: In Person!
Saturday, November 4, 2023
More Details To Come

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Thank You!

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