



## COUNCIL MEMBER EZEONU TOWN HALL MEETING

Town Hall Meeting • Thursday, Sept. 7, 6-8 p.m.  
Dalworth Recreation Center, 2012 Spikes St.

Join Council Member Junior Ezeonu for a City Council Place 8 At Large Town Hall Meeting to address community interests concerning the City of Grand Prairie. Scan the QR code to watch the meeting virtually via Zoom.



## ADAMS ELECTED CITY COUNCIL AT LARGE PLACE 7



On June 10, 2023, Bessye Adams was elected to serve as City Council Member At Large Place 7. She was sworn into office on June 20 and will serve a three-year term. For more information about the Grand Prairie City Council, visit [gptx.org/council](http://gptx.org/council).

## CRICKET CITY, USA!



Grand Prairie City Council members, city officials, Dallas County officials and the Grand Prairie Chamber of Commerce and Grand Prairie Hispanic Chamber of Commerce cut the ribbon with Major League Cricket in July 2023 celebrating the grand opening of Grand Prairie Stadium, the city's new major league cricket venue. For more info. go to [visitgrandprairietx.com/cricket](http://visitgrandprairietx.com/cricket).

## WATER RESTRICTIONS

Your help is needed to conserve our water supply. Please adhere to current water restrictions found at [gptx.org/waterconservation](http://gptx.org/waterconservation). The goal of water restrictions is to conserve the city's water resources until the threat of a drought condition passes. Thank you for conserving water. Every drop counts.

## H<sub>2</sub>Know

See your actual water use online 24/7 at [gptx.org/H2Know](http://gptx.org/H2Know). H2Know measures and transmits hourly water usage data. Now you can see when you are using the most water and adjust accordingly as needed. With H2Know you have the power to:

- Receive automatic alerts of higher than normal use
- Identify high use and suspected leaks with precise meter readings
- Monitor use patterns such as irrigation to better manage frequency and time. Save water and money
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## MACAIAH JOUBERT RECEIVES GOLF SCHOLARSHIP

Grand Prairie's Micaiah Joubert is the first African American student from Mansfield Timberview High School to receive a golf scholarship. Growing up, she honed her golf skills and built her love for the game working with her father at the City of Grand Prairie's Prairie Lakes Golf Course and also has fond memories of playing at the city's Tangle Ridge Golf Course.

She will attend Prairie View A&M to play golf and pursue a degree in education. Micaiah graduated from high school with a 3.96 GPA. She worked hard to achieve success in the classroom and on the golf course. At age 10, she grew five inches in one year causing a bone malformation and requiring multiple surgeries.

After learning to walk again, she won two state charter school golf championships before attending Mansfield Timberview and qualifying for regionals her junior and senior years while also receiving All District and All Academic honors. Micaiah says she is motivated by her favorite Bible scripture, Psalm 23:4.



## CLEAN PRAIRIE FALL SWEEP

Saturday, September 23, 2023  
Begins at 8 a.m.  
Meet at Veterans Park  
925 Conover Dr.

Calling all community volunteers, business groups, friends, and family to join Clean Prairie and help us make GP litter free at the Clean Prairie Fall Sweep. Registration will be available through Monday, Sept. 18 at [gptx.org/cleanprairie](http://gptx.org/cleanprairie).

## FREE WATERSMART VIRTUAL CLASSES

**DIY Rain Barrel Class**  
**Wednesday, Sept. 20, 6-7:30 p.m.**  
Experts agree rainwater is the best water for your lawn, landscape or vegetable garden. Learn simple techniques on how to divert, store and use one of nature's best resources for the garden.

**Fall into Gardening: Tips to Grow On**  
**Tuesday, Sept. 19, 6-7:30 p.m.**  
Learn the best approach to planting and maintenance without the overuse of chemicals and time.

To register, visit [gptx.org/watersmart](http://gptx.org/watersmart).

## ILLUVIA WATER AND LIGHT SHOW

Don't miss Illuvia, the free, nightly Vegas-style water and light show at EpicCentral, located west of SH 161 just north of I-20. While you're there, live life grand with delicious food at Chicken N Pickle, Loop 9 BBQ, and The Finch. For more information, visit [epiccentral.com/illuvia](http://epiccentral.com/illuvia).



## FREE ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

Saturday, Sept. 9, 9-11 a.m.

City Hall East, 300 W. Main St.

Registration is required at: [gptx.org/electronics-recycling](http://gptx.org/electronics-recycling) or 972-237-8159

**Accepted:** computers, laptops, printers, VCRs, DVD players, TVs (no exposed parts please), cellphones

**Not accepted:** hazardous materials, liquids, broken monitor tubes, yard equipment, air conditioners, refrigerators

Grand Prairie residents can also bring their recyclables to the landfill any time Monday-Saturday 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.



## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

Saturday, Sept. 9, 9-11 a.m.

City Hall East, 300 W. Main St.

Registration is required at: 972-237-8055 or online at [gptx.org/WQ/HHW](http://gptx.org/WQ/HHW).

No commercial waste will be accepted.



7-8:30 p.m. • Concessions available Thursday, Sept. 7 and Oct. 5  
Bring your lawn chair to downtown Grand Prairie for free outdoor concerts. For information on exact location and artists performing, visit [gptx.org](http://gptx.org) or scan the QR code for the downtown GP Facebook page.





# NATIONAL NIGHT OUT KICK OFF PARTY

Saturday, Sept. 23, 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
EpicCentral, 2961 S. SH 161

Kick off National Night Out with the Grand Prairie Police Department. Enjoy food trucks, booths, lawn games, music, dancing, entertainment, and fun.

## Sign Your Neighborhood Up for a Block Party

On October 3, 2023 residents are encouraged to organize block parties for National Night Out. This annual event is a great opportunity for residents and law enforcement to partner up against crime, visit with neighbors, police officers, firefighters, EMS paramedics and city officials. Block parties are 5-8 p.m. To register your neighborhood for a National Night Out Block Party, visit [grandprairiepolice.org/nno](http://grandprairiepolice.org/nno) or use the QR code.



## TOUCH A TRUCK

*Presented by the Grand Prairie Police Department,  
Crisis Response Ministry, and the  
Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association*

Saturday, Oct. 7, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Epic Parking Lot, 2960 Epic Place

Come out for this free child-friendly opportunity to touch and climb into large trucks, police vehicles, fire trucks and construction vehicles.



## CYCLIN' WITH THE MAYOR

### Thursday, August 17

Join Mayor Ron Jensen for a 5-mile bike ride. Riders of all ages and skill levels are encouraged to join the casual ride. Meet at 6 p.m. Ride begins at 6:30 p.m. Nottingham Ride - Larson Elementary, 2620 E. Avenue K



### Thursday, Sept. 21

Join Mayor Ron Jensen and Councilman Mike Del Bosque for a free community fair and bike ride. There will be a raffle for one adult and one children's bike. Free hotdogs, chips, Kona Ice, games, and more!  
Community Fair at 5:30 p.m. Bike ride begins at 6:30 p.m.  
Mi Familia Park, 2402 Cardiff

## WATER BILL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Donate as little as \$1 per month with your water bill payment to help Grand Prairie families who cannot pay their water bills.

To make your donation, use the QR code above or visit the city website at [gptx.org/waterbillassistance](http://gptx.org/waterbillassistance), find the Water Bill Assistance Program and click on the donation links. This program is sponsored by the City of Grand Prairie in cooperation with Grand Prairie United Charities. For information, call 972-237-8200.



## PLEASE REFRAIN FROM PUTTING GARBAGE OUT TOO EARLY

Putting garbage or recyclables at the curb too early for garbage collection is a city code violation. Placing these items out days before scheduled times causes litter to scatter, attracts animals and is aesthetically unpleasing. All garbage and recycling must be put out by 7 a.m. on your scheduled collection day but no earlier than 8 p.m. the night before your collection day. For more information about garbage and recycling collection, visit [gptx.org](http://gptx.org).

## FARMERS MARKET



Open Saturdays

Market Square, 120 W. Main St.

The Grand Prairie Farmers

Market features locally grown fruits, vegetables, plants and more. Call 972-237-4599 or visit [GrandFunGP.com/FarmersMarket](http://GrandFunGP.com/FarmersMarket).

## CITY CALENDAR

### PHOTO CONTEST

Grand Prairie residents are invited to enter the 2024 City Calendar Photo Contest. Entries accepted through Oct. 1, 2023.

Photo must feature Grand Prairie and be suitable for publication. Photos will be used in city publications. Credit will be attributed in calendar, but may not be possible in other publications and uses. Winning photos will be published in the calendar. No cash awards will be offered. Entrants must include name, address, email address and phone number with entry. Winners will be notified in November 2023. The calendar will be printed in December 2023. Email high-resolution image to: [cmckillop@gptx.org](mailto:cmckillop@gptx.org).

## KID'S FISHING DAY

Saturday, Sept. 30, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Mike Lewis Park, 2600 Blk of N. Carrier Pkwy.

Come reel 'em in at Mike Lewis Park Pond! This popular event is FREE to children 16 and under. The pond will be stocked with catfish. There is no registration or entry fee to participate, but there will be an on-site signup table. A limited number of loaner rods and reels will be available on a first-come first-served basis with a driver's license or credit card deposit. Registration is noon-1 p.m. For more info., visit [GrandFunGP.com](http://GrandFunGP.com).



## FLOOD SAFETY

The City of Grand Prairie uses several tools to help keep residents informed and safe during flooding rain and storm events. One of these is through the city's Flood Warning System (FWS), which measures water levels at various creeks and channels around town and gives real time updates on levels. These levels are used to alert first responders of high water so that actions can be taken to keep residents safe. The public can view data from these sensors by visiting [gptx.onerain.com](http://gptx.onerain.com).



**What is a flood watch?** A flood WATCH means a flood is possible in your area.

**What is a flood warning?** A flood WARNING means flooding is already occurring or will occur soon.

If you find yourself in an area under a flood warning, find safe shelter right away. Do not walk, swim, or drive through flood waters. Turn Around, Don't Drown! Always stay weather aware of flood watches and warnings in Grand Prairie.

Residents may access additional flood risk and assistance information by visiting the city's Stormwater Department and meeting with a department representative in person, by phone at 972-237-8321, email at [Floodplain@GPTX.org](mailto:Floodplain@GPTX.org), or the city's website at [gptx.org/floodplain](http://gptx.org/floodplain).

## PRE-K OUTDOOR SOCCER LEAGUE

Season start date: September 16

Ages: 3-5 years old • Game days: Saturdays

Mountain Creek Soccer Complex

Fee: \$75 (includes jersey and trophy)

Registration closes August 30

For more information, visit [GrandFunGP.com/youth-athletics](http://GrandFunGP.com/youth-athletics)

## JOIN PRAIRIE TROTTERS

Join Prairie Trotters walking/running club and take a Grand Prairie Animal Service shelter dog out on one of three approved trails. These trails range in length from 1 mile to 2.2 miles and are designated by color. By signing up, you'll not only stay active but also provide much-needed companionship for furry friends in need. Participants must be 18 or older. Membership is a minimum of \$10. To get started, fill out the form at [gptx.org/trotters](http://gptx.org/trotters).



## VISUAL ARTS PROGRAMS

### AT THE EPIC

Gallery 2960

"On the Wire" by the  
Fort Worth Art Collective

August 5-27

Reception: August 17, 5-8 p.m.

The Epic, 2960 Epic Place

Free and open to the public

### Wiggle Wednesday

(Adaptive/Inclusive Program)

Learn, explore, and develop skills  
while having fun together.

Wednesdays, 5:30-7 p.m.

\$5 Per-student

The Epic, 2960 Epic Place

For info., visit [JoinTheEpic.com](http://JoinTheEpic.com).

## LIBRARY OF THINGS



Use your library card to check out items at the library, like a sewing machine, cake pans and cookie cutters, a telescope and more. This Library of Things consists of 19 kits that can be checked out. A kit can be placed on hold, and transferred to any branch, but not to the Book Locker. Items include:

- Air fryer
- Cotton Candy Machine
- Cricut Joy
- GoPro
- Podcasting kit
- Cake pans and recipe book
- Webcam
- Telescope
- Sewing Machine

If you don't have a library card, they are free, even to non-Grand Prairie residents. To get a physical, plastic card, visit any library location. To get a digital card (number only), apply online at [gptx.org/library](http://gptx.org/library).