

THE MONTHLY UPDATE

This mailing includes your neighborhood crime reports (for OCPD neighborhoods) and information that we think will be of interest to OKC metro area residents. Please forward this information to your neighborhood newsletter editor and/or webmaster so that they can share it with the neighborhood. Everything in this insert is free for you to re-use!



Happy New Year!

**We hope you all had a wonderful holiday season.
We look forward to serving you in the coming year!**

ANNOUNCEMENT!

Starting in July of 2017, Neighborhood Alliance and the Oklahoma City Police Department will no longer be distributing Crime Statistics and the monthly Newsletter by mail. These items will be available online, and in the coming months we will give you more information on how to access all of the information you have been receiving via mail, and more!

We wish you all a Happy New Year and we look forward to bringing you many new and exciting workshops and tools to help make your Neighborhoods and our City great places to live, work and play in the coming year!

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Provide feedback and learn more about the 2017 Bond Election at citywide workshops

Interactive workshops scheduled throughout Oklahoma City in January and February will provide the latest chance to learn more about OKC's 2017 Bond Election and share your priorities.

An Oklahoma City Council member will make remarks at each come-and-go workshop.

The City Council and staff are working on project lists for the election, which is set for Sept. 12. Public feedback is among the information the Council considers when building project lists for the ballot.

The workshops will include information about community needs and benefits for project areas, remarks by a Council member Ward and ways to provide feedback.

You can drop in anytime during the come-and-go workshops.

Standing displays at each workshop with information, maps and more will be accompanied by a booklet with more details to take home. Staff members will be available for questions and comments.

Staff members can also guide residents on using the OKC Connect smartphone app as a way to give feedback about project priorities in specific places. App users can press the black "Submit a Request" button, then scroll down to select "2017 GO Bond Input."

Everyone is invited to attend any of the workshops. The information at each one will be the same, regardless of where it is.

Thursday, Jan. 19

5 to 8 p.m.

Bishop McGuinness High School, 801 NW 50th Street
Remarks by Ward 2 Councilman Ed Shadid at 6 pm

Saturday, Jan. 21

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Patience Latting Northwest Library, 5600 NW
122nd Street
Remarks by Ward 8 Councilman Mark Stonecipher
at noon

Wednesday, Jan. 25

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Leadership Square, 211 N Robinson Ave.
Remarks by Ward 6 Councilwoman Meg Salyer at noon

Thursday, Feb. 2

5 to 8 p.m.

Windsor Hills Elementary School, 2909 N Ann Arbor Ave.
Remarks by Ward 3 Councilman Larry McAtee at 6 pm

Monday, Feb. 6

5 to 8 p.m.

Council Grove Elementary School, 7721 Melrose Lane
Remarks by Ward 1 Councilman James Greiner at 6 pm

Saturday, Feb. 18

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Southern Oaks Community Center, 400 SW 66th Street
Remarks by Ward 4 Councilman Pete White at noon

Tuesday, Feb. 21

5 to 8 p.m.

Pioneer Southwest Library, 2201 SW 134th Street
Remarks by Ward 5 Councilman David Greenwell, 6 pm

Tuesday, Feb. 28

5 to 8 p.m.

Metro Tech (Springlake campus), 1900 Springlake Drive
Remarks by Ward 7 Councilman John A. Pettis Jr. at 6 pm

Visit okc.gov/go to learn more about the bond election and bond programs.

Call Neighborhood Alliance at (405) 528-6322 to coordinate a neighborhood meeting "To GO" about the bond issue.

Upcoming Neighborhood Organizing & Officer Training

- **Monday, February 6, 6pm (for Voluntary Neighborhood Associations)**
- **Tuesday, February 7, 6pm (for Mandatory Neighborhood Associations)**

These informal sessions are open to anyone who wants to find out how to get their neighborhood or HOA organized and/or learn more about being a neighborhood officer. **If you've just been elected, you don't want to miss it!**

Please note that there are now two different sessions: on the first Monday of each month we'll meet with voluntary neighborhood associations and on the first Tuesday with HOAs that have mandatory dues. A light dinner is served. The workshop is free but seats are limited. Reserve online at nacok.org/events/ or call 528-6322.



COFFEE WITH A COP will be held on the second Tuesday of each month in 2017.

Locations and times will vary. The first event of the year will be on Tuesday, February 7th.

Please visit www.nacok.org for more information!

A word from one of our Police Community Relations Officers: **Sgt. Erick Huff, Springlake Patrol Division**

During the winter months, it's not only important to protect yourself from the elements, it's also important to protect your home. Here are some simple steps you can take to help prevent damage and expensive repairs during cold weather:

- Inside your home, pipes along the outer walls are most vulnerable to freezing. Insulate them and any pipes outside your home.
- Leave faucets dripping slightly. Open cabinet doors below sinks along outside walls to let warm air inside.
- Report any cracked or loose-fitting parts on your water meter to Utilities Customer Service at (405) 297-2833(OKC)
- Disconnect and drain outside hoses and water lines. Use an insulated cover or other insulation for outdoor water faucets.

Using outdoor sprinklers during freezing weather leaves streets and sidewalks dangerously slick. It is an Oklahoma City ordinance violation to use outdoor sprinklers when it's freezing.

Also, don't forget to prepare your car. Service the radiator and maintain antifreeze level; check tire tread or, if necessary, replace tires with all-weather snow tires. Keep your gas tank full to avoid ice in the tank and fuel lines. Use a wintertime formula in your windshield washer. Prepare a winter emergency kit to keep in your car in case you become stranded. The kit should include:

- Cell phone, portable charger, and extra batteries
- Blankets, food and water
- Booster cables, flares, tire pump, and a bag of sand or cat litter for traction
- Flashlight, battery-powered radio, and extra batteries
- First-aid kit and plastic bags (for sanitation)

2017 Neighborhood Watch Patrol Classes

The Oklahoma City Police Department will hold neighborhood watch patrol classes at the Hefner Patrol Division at 3924 NW 122nd St. on the following dates this year.

- February 11th, Saturday at 11am-12
- April 11th, Tuesday at 6:30pm-7:30pm
- June 13th, Tuesday at 6:30pm-7:30pm
- August 8th Tuesday at 6:30pm-7:30pm

Please visit our website at www.nacok.org for more information and to get registered!

OU BIG EVENT

Every spring, over 6,000 students, faculty, and staff go out across the Norman and Greater Oklahoma City metro area for one day of service. For the past seventeen years, students have participated in this event to show their appreciation to the surrounding community by completing service projects such as painting, yard work, and visiting with the elderly. This event is a completely student-run service project, allowing us to do our part for the community.

The Big Event will take place April 1, 2017. Please complete the application online, being as specific as possible. The due date is February 1st 2017.

If you would like to become a Jobsite for The Big Event 2017 go to link: <https://orgsync.com/124840/forms/227020>. Though we are able to accept the majority of Jobsite Requests, filling out this form does not guarantee acceptance as an OU Big Event jobsite. Distance and safety are factors considered when reviewing jobsite applications for acceptance.

For more information, visit <http://www.ou.edu/bigevent.html>

Neighborhood Alliance - Upcoming Events

Legal Issues Basic & Advanced

This two-part series provides neighbors living in mandatory HOAs knowledge on the essentials of running a successful association.

Our trainer, Attorney Matthew Winton, specializing in Community Association Law, helps to communicate effective ways to solve problems and offers his expert opinion on complicated issues.

BASIC - February 9

ADVANCED - February 16

BASIC - March 16

ADVANCED - March 23

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER ONLINE GO TO WWW.NACOK.ORG

Neighborhood Leaders for Today

This one-of-a-kind leadership program gives citizens the confidence and tools they need to create, promote and sustain productive citizen-based organized neighborhood groups and helps develop sustainable community improvement projects.

Get ready for in depth discussions with city officials, behind-the-scenes peeks at the inner-workings of OKC and much more!

The application is available online at nacok.org. This class is offered free to enrollees and will be held Thursdays, March 2 - April 13 and one Saturday, graduation dinner will be March 20.