

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!

Upcoming Workshops with Neighborhood Alliance

Organizing & Officer Training

- Monday, June 1, 6pm (for Voluntary Neighborhood Associations)
- Tuesday, June 2, 6pm (for Homeowner Associations with Mandatory Dues)

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.



Leadership OKC's LOYAL and Uptown 23rd Host

The Uptown Farmers Market

Where: NW 23rd - 25th on Walker Ave

Date: Last Sundays, May - October

Time: 11am - 4pm

City of Oklahoma City - Community Programs

Green Home Loan

Oklahoma City homeowners wanting to save money on their electric and gas bills by making their home more energy efficient can apply for a green home loan offered through the City of Oklahoma City.

The loans are offered to Oklahoma City residents whose household income is \$100,000 or less. Residents can have up to 48 months to pay back their 3% fixed interest rate loan, which can be up to \$15,000. Landlords cannot apply for rental properties.

Some of the energy efficient upgrades that can be made with a loan include:

- ◇ Installing energy-efficient windows or exterior doors
- ◇ Adding more insulation to attic and walls
- ◇ Replacing inefficient window air conditioning units with central heat and air
- ◇ Installing of a new heat pump
- ◇ Replacing a dark-colored roof with a cool roof that reflects the sun
- ◇ Purchasing energy efficient appliances
- ◇ Upgrading lighting efficiency
- ◇ Installing alternative energy

The City's Residential Energy Efficiency Loan Program is administered by the Community Action Agency.

Residents can apply for a loan by calling the Community Action Agency at (405) 232-0199.

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Don't forget to get a permit for your storm shelter installation!

As storm season continues in Oklahoma City, residents should remember to apply for the building permit required to install a below-ground storm shelter or above-ground safe room. The permit process involves gathering information about your shelter, completing a building permit application and paying a fee.

Required documents

- Completed [building permit application](#) (PDF)
- Engineered specifications per FEMA 320/ICC 500*
- Letter regarding floatation (in-ground and slope-top shelters only)*
- Floor plan (for in-garage or in-house shelters only)**
- Site plan (for outdoor shelters). Many people use a mortgage survey or aerial photograph of the property and indicate the shelter's dimensions.

***Contact your contractor for these documents.**

****Visit the [Oklahoma County Assessor's website](#) for floor plans**

How to submit your application

Submit your application and documents in person from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on weekdays at 420 W Main St., 8th floor. The application will be reviewed while you wait. Wait times are typically the longest from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. You can also fax your application and documents to 297-2178, and the City will then contact you for payment by credit card.

Fees

- \$53.50 for in-ground or slope-top shelters.
- \$70.50 for above-ground safe rooms.

The City accepts Visa, MasterCard, Discover, cash and check.

After installation

[Register the shelter with the City by going online](#) or by calling the Action Center at 297-2535. You may also request that your shelter be automatically registered in the remarks section of the permit application form.

For more information, call 297-2525.

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

With summer quickly approaching, that means school will soon be out, the weather will be nicer, and more people will be driving (largely due to cheaper gas prices). That being said, I want to direct our attention to a different type of safety as well as current events. I believe it's something we should all be mindful of, and we perhaps don't pay much attention to, as we go about our daily routines. I'm speaking of traffic safety.

Several accidents take place every day throughout our state. Some are truly accidental, while others could've been avoided if drivers simply paid more attention to the road as opposed to their cell phones. As the weather warms up, there will also be an increase of motorcycles on the roadways. Motorcycle fatalities are on the rise in 2015. From January to April 2014 there were 6 fatalities involving motorcycles, there are 19 so far this year for the same time period. In 2013 distracted drivers (more than likely updating social media pages, or texting while driving), accounted for 14 fatal crashes and 602 injury accidents. Inattentive driving has become such an issue in Oklahoma that Gov. Fallin just signed into law House Bill 1965, which makes texting while driving a primary offense. Simply stated, a primary offense just means an officer can pull over a motorist for driving and texting and doesn't need an accompanying charge like an expired tag, or not wearing a seatbelt as the main reason for the motorist being stopped. Motorists can no longer use a handheld device to compose, send or read an electronic text message while the motor vehicle is in motion.

Please keep the following tips in mind while driving around enjoying your summer:

1. Keep your full attention on driving
2. Adjust your mirrors so you minimize any blind spots
3. Wear your seatbelt
4. Minimize distractions inside your vehicle
5. Look out for pedestrians and motorcyclists
6. Use your signals when turning and changing lanes
7. Keep plenty of stopping distance between your car and the one in front of you
8. Observe all traffic laws and speed limits

Miller Neighborhood: Upcoming Events

NW 10th Street to NW 16th Street, May Avenue to Villa Avenue

Miller in May Home Tour

The 17th annual Miller in May Home and Garden Tour is almost here! Sunday, May 17th, from 11:00 am - 5:00 pm, Miller neighborhood will be on showcase as hundreds come to tour several of our beautiful homes. Tickets for the tour are \$10.00 per person and available for purchase at 23rd Street Antique Mall or at any of the tour homes on the day of the tour.

Help Stop Unwanted Publications in your Neighborhood!

If you want to stop having those papers in plastic sleeves thrown into your yard, driveway, or in the street in front of your home, you can be removed from the delivery list by calling:

American Newspaper Solutions at 608-6040. Doug Maxwell, representative from American Newspaper Solutions, said the papers are delivered to homes that do NOT subscribe to the Oklahoman--although not every non-Oklahoman house gets one. If you do not want these advertisements, please help clean up our neighborhoods by calling to opt out.

7th ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND COOKOUT

Brian Maughan, County Commissioner - Oklahoma County District Two is hosting the annual Memorial Day Weekend Cookout

May 23rd, 2015

Oklahoma County District 2 Barn
7105 S. Anderson Road (I-240 & Anderson Rd.)

6:30 pm—9:00 pm come and go

Featuring Entertainment by
The Shadowman Blues Project

This cookout is held annually to honor volunteers who have helped with disasters. This year they are adding another gesture of appreciation by honoring young people who have earned their graduation cords through the **Students for SHINE** program. They are tomorrow's leaders!

It is free to attend, but for food count purposes, **PLEASE RSVP** to Commissioner Maughan's office at 405-713-1502 or brian@okcounty.org

Legal Issues for HOA Classes Set for July

Neighborhood Alliance will offer another round of the two-part Legal Issues for HOA courses this summer. Pre-registration is required for these classes and there is a cost of \$20 per class but we do provide dinner.

Attorney Matthew Winton instructs these courses to help mandatory homeowners associations navigate legal issues related to covenants, bylaws, outstanding dues collection, liens, insurance, incorporation and more.

Both classes will be held at Boldt Construction, 101 W Hefner Rd, Oklahoma City, OK 73114.

To register, visit NACOK.org or call 405-528-6322.

Legal Issues for HOAs, Part One: Basic

Thursday, July 16th
6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Legal Issues for HOAs, Part Two: Advanced

Thursday, July 23rd



City of Oklahoma City Launches Mobile App

Oklahoma City officials launched a new mobile app that makes it easier for residents to report code violations.

The app, OKC GOV, is available to download free on Android and Apple devices from the [Android](#) or [Apple](#) app stores.



Residents can also view and track existing requests submitted through the app [from their desktop](#) or on the [City's Facebook page](#).

The app uses global positioning to determine your location and allows you to take a photo of the problem to submit with the report. The report will be sent to the appropriate City department. You can also enter an address or intersection to better help inspectors locate the violation.

OKC Gov also connects residents to information about City services. Residents can read news releases, report missed trash, find a job, adopt a pet, see the bus schedule, view the ward map, watch Channel 20 and get disaster preparedness information.

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Cleveland Neighborhood Garage Sale

Saturday, May 16th
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The Cleveland Neighborhood, which is bordered by NW 30th, May Avenue, Villa, and NW 23rd, is having their annual Neighborhood Garage Sale!

Along with all the neighbors having their own individual garage sales at their homes, the neighborhood will be having a Community Garage Sale. If you have any junk or treasures you would like to donate to their Community Garage Sale, please call **Dan Martin** at 642-7412 or email clevelandneighborhood@hotmail.com.

All proceeds from the Community Garage Sale will go toward the Cleveland Neighborhood Beautification Fund.