

Keep Irving Beautiful Newsletter

Code Enforcement and KIB

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This month we focus on our Code Enforcement Department, most commonly referred to as "Code," which has a total of 19 employees in Administration, Multi-Family, Property Code and Keep Irving Beautiful. You might not have known that KIB has been housed in that department for the past seven years, but that has turned out to be a mutually beneficial partnership. Code officers not only perform the duties of their jobs to the highest standards, but also take time to volunteer at KIB events, whether it is collecting litter or cooking and serving lunch to hungry volunteers, like they did at the recent Trash Bash. Code officers are very proactive in their approach, with the goal of enhancing the quality of life for all people in Irving. They have achieved a 97% voluntary compliance rate on their cases, and were recently honored with their 2nd consecutive Excellence in Code Enforcement Award from the Building Officials of Texas (BOAT), for "outstanding contributions to the building profession and the community."



Code officer Lukas Kratochvil led the cooking team at the Trash Bash, assisted by his fellow code officer Randall Anglin in the background .

The department maintains a page on the City of Irving's website, which includes links to all city ordinances and forms to submit violations, as well as neighborhood enhancement brochures and a customer service survey. The department seeks input from residents and visitors about their experience with Code officers, in their ongoing effort to provide the highest level of service. To learn more about the City of Irving Code Enforcement, go to: www.cityofirving.org.

Did You Know?

Our tips this month are related to Code Enforcement issues. Did you know that the following are violations?

- Grass and weeds higher than 10 inches tall
- Trash put out earlier than 6:00 p.m. the night before scheduled pickup
- Vehicles parked on the grass
- Temporary signs (such as for garage sales) from noon Monday through noon Friday. Signs are never allowed on medians or telephone poles.

All violations are listed on the Code webpage.



The Trash Bash drew enthusiastic volunteers from North Lake Phi Theta Kappa, above, and students from our local high schools, below.

24th Annual Trash Bash a Big Success

KIB's fall cleanup, the 24th Annual Trash Bash, was held on Saturday, September 26 at Trinity View Park, on a lovely sunny morning, and was also part of National Public Lands Day. A total of 583 volunteers (291 adults and 292 youth) collected 3,440 pounds of trash and 1,140 pounds of recyclables. A hot dog lunch was served afterwards, with food donated by Kroger and Frito-Lay. Many thanks to all who made this event possible—sponsors, partners and all of our fantastic volunteers! KIB could

not do what we do without your support. Next year will mark our 25th Trash Bash, so be sure to join us for a big celebration then. In the meantime, to keep up with what's going on at KIB, such as volunteer opportunities, scan the QR code on the right, or visit our website at:



www.keepingirvingbeautiful.org.

