## Keep Irving Beautiful Newsletter



## KIB's Volunteer Spirit is Strong

Here at Keep Irving Beautiful, the spirit of volunteerism is what drives our organization, and we had great activities during the month of March. On March 6, we brought the environmental mascot skit to our friends at the Heritage Senior Center, where awesome staff stepped up and were the stars of the show. The seniors learned about recycling and the products that can be made from recycled material.

Keyes Elementary Career Day was held on March 11, where staff brought mascot Kirby to help tell the KIB story to approximately 100 K-2 students, as well as teachers and parents. We ended the month by completing all our applications for the upcoming Keep Texas Beautiful State Awards. In addition to the Governor's Community Achievement Award, KIB also nominated partners in four different categories.

A high point of the month was the outstanding dedication shown by our Adopt-a-Spot teams. We welcomed several new groups to the program who have already held cleanups at their locations. The new additions bring our total number of adopted spots to 82, representing all areas of Irving.



Heritage Senior Center hosted KIB for the environmental mascot skit on March 6.

Since the beginning of the fiscal year in October, these hard-working volunteers reported 2,508 hours, collecting 915 bags of litter and 504 bags of recyclables.

We also send a big "thank you" to the following groups whose events in March and April were postponed or canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic:

Fluor, UPS, EnSafe, Bioworld, Shake Shack, Best Buy, J.O. Davis Elementary.

We hope to see you all very soon when activities resume.

## COVID-19 Update

We love our volunteers and residents, and want you all to be able to join us again when our events resume. Here are some important tips from the Center for Disease Control:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after being in public places, coughing or sneezing
- If soap and water are not available, use hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
  Cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
- Maintain a 6-foot distance between yourself and other people
- Stay home if you are sick
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily

 Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze, or use the inside of your elbow. Then immediately wash your hands, following outlined protocol

Here is a link to Mayor Stopfer's statement on the Dallas County COVID - 19 Shelter in Place Order:

https://www.cityofirving.org/ CivicAlerts.aspx?CID=57

If you have additional questions, call the Dallas County Hotline at (972) 692-2780.

Stay safe and healthy!



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Keyes Elementary students enjoyed meeting Kirby at Career Day.

Check out our newest Adopt-a-Spot groups in action:



Light of the World Church - O'Connor Road, Union Bower to Pioneer



Nichols Park Neighborhood Association—Wingren Road from 183 to Rochelle



Dawoodi Bohras of Irving—Shady Grove at Nursery