

# Keep Irving Beautiful Newsletter



## "Trees for Life" at Cimarron Park



A partnership between KIB, Mission Tomorrow, Lowe's, Volunteer Now and the City of Irving Parks Department came to fruition on Oct. 12, as 41 volunteers gave 143 hours of service by planting 100 trees at Cimarron Park. Mission Tomorrow, a nonprofit founded by brothers Dhruv and Vansh Nanda, received a grant from the Lowe's "100 Hometowns" initiative, a celebration of the company's 100th anniversary, which funded the purchase of the trees as well as the irrigation. A big thank you to the Urban Forestry Team for all they did to make this project a success, including providing guidance to the Lowe's employees and Mission Tomorrow members. This "Trees for Life" project has made a significant positive difference in our city. Thank you, Mission Tomorrow!

Irving-based Vizient, a longtime KIB partner, held their annual Community Day Oct. 12 at the Fritz Park Petting Farm. The 23 volunteers

gave 69 hours of service by painting the metal safety fencing at the farm, giving it a fresh new look. The Petting Farm's many visitors are sure to notice.

Irving's recreation centers are doing their part to keep Irving clean by partnering with KIB to conduct cleanups with their after-school programs. Northwest. Lee and Mustang all had their cleanups this month, with more centers scheduled for November.

October at KIB always includes the Litter Index, one of the requirements for the President's Circle level in Keep America Beautiful. KIB board and staff members surveyed litter across the city, and results were an overall 43% decrease in visible litter compared to the 2001 data.

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Vizient employee volunteers at Community Day



Northwest Park Cleanup



Lee Park Cleanup

**Mustang Park Cleanup** 

### Upcoming Events and Volunteer Opportunities

November means Texas Arbor Day, and this year's host school is Townsell Elementary. The ceremony will take place on Nov. 12 to honor them for their outstanding recycling efforts.

KIB staff will attend the Keep America Beautiful National Conference in Washington, D.C. from Nov. 15 to 17.

Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity?

"DFW Airport's Ambassador Volunteers provide a vital customer experience by connecting passengers to the world, and transforming travel for all customers along their journey. To learn more and to sign up, visit <a href="https://volunteer.dfwairport.com/">https://volunteer.dfwairport.com/</a>, click on "Volunteers" on the top left, then "Become a Volunteer" to complete an application, register for an orientation, or get connected with our team."

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