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[One Address \(Search One Address, Find Everything\)](#)

One Address allows you to enter one address and view a variety of data, including crime information, permits, code violations, and other city information.

We are pleased to provide [CrimeMapping](#) to search preliminary crime information.

View crimes near an address

Select a specific date range

Pick from a template of crime types

Includes iPhone application

(Simply go to iTunes and search for “crimemapping.com” to download the application.)

Crime Mapping has an alert system that will allow residents and business owners to receive email alerts regarding recent incident activity in their desired area. E-mail alerts contain a report outlining what type of incidents occurred, as well as when and where they occurred. The e-mail alert will also contain a link directly to the on-line mapping application that depicts the results of requested query.



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT IS TUESDAY OCTOBER 1, 2024

6:00pm - 9:00pm

Register at: <https://police.fortworthtexas.gov/OnlineServices/NNO/>

**OPENING
SOON**

“National Night Out” is designed to:

- *Heighten awareness of crime prevention*
- *Generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime efforts*
- *Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police/community partnerships*
- *Send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back against crime.*

Contact Central Division’s Crime Prevention Specialist with any questions:

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FWPD supports statewide Be Safe. Drive Smart. Campaign

Article Posted In City News

The telltale red-and-blue lights in a driver's rearview mirror can inspire shame and guilt. But those feelings don't come close to the guilt speeding drivers feel after killing or injuring someone or the pain a family feels when someone dies in a crash.

Speeding can kill, and someone is always left behind to deal with the painful aftermath.

Driving the news: Speed was a factor in more than 160,000 traffic crashes in Texas last year, and 1,456 people were killed in speed-related crashes. That's a third of all traffic deaths in Texas.

The local angle: The Fort Worth Police Department is partnering with TxDOT on the *Be Safe. Drive Smart.* initiative. "Together we're committed to keeping our roads safe and ending the streak of fatalities on Texas roadways," FWPD representatives said. "Remember to always buckle up, avoid distractions and drive sober. Let's work together to End the Streak."

[*Speeding is not only dangerous, it can also be costly*](#)

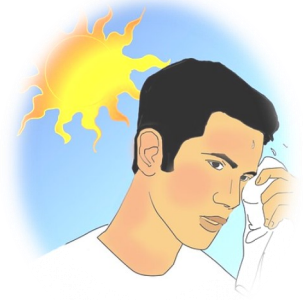
The *Be Safe. Drive Smart.* campaign coincides with Operation Slowdown, a statewide, high-visibility speed limit enforcement period. Through Aug. 4, Texas law enforcement agencies will step up their efforts to get drivers to slow down or pay up.

Be Safe. Drive Smart. means more than following the speed limit. Follow these tips to keep yourself and others safe, and avoid a ticket:

- Match your speed to road conditions, such as bad weather or driving through a work zone.
- Slow down and allow for more distance to stop when traffic is heavy or roads are slick.
- Watch for road signs alerting you of reduced speed limits ahead.

Worth mentioning: *Be Safe. Drive Smart.* is a key component of #EndTheStreakTX, a broader social media and word-of-mouth effort that encourages drivers to make safer choices while behind the wheel to help end the streak of daily deaths. Nov. 7, 2000, was the last deathless day on Texas roadways.

Tips to avoid heat-related illnesses this summer



It's summertime in Texas, which means that temperatures outside are regularly hitting triple digits and many of us welcome the relief of an air conditioner as soon as we walk into a building.

Your body has a built-in air conditioner too: sweat. Perspiration is the body's way of cooling off. But when you get extremely hot, or active in high humidity, sweating may not be enough. Your body will have to work extra hard to keep its temperature down, and when it can't rid itself of excess heat, heat-related illness can occur.

Recognize warning signs

Heat-related illness can take its toll on your body and can even be life-threatening.

Heat exhaustion, for example, is a warning sign that your body can't keep itself cool. If left untreated, it could lead to the more severe heat stroke.

Symptoms of heat exhaustion include excessive thirst, heavy sweating, weakness or dizziness, headache, cramps, nausea or vomiting and dehydration. If you start experiencing any of these symptoms, stop exercising right away and rest in a cool, shaded area. Drink some water to replenish your body with fluids.

Heat stroke is a life-threatening condition, symptoms of which include unusual behavior, hallucinations or confusion, fainting, seizures, or a fever of 104 degrees or higher. If you experience any of the symptoms of heat stroke, stop exercising and call 9-1-1.

Seek immediate medical attention if you or someone else:

- is vomiting or unable to keep fluids down
- experiences dizziness or lightheadedness
- has symptoms of heat exhaustion

Heat illnesses are more likely to occur in people who are age 65 and older, or infants and children up to age 4. Other candidates are people who have chronic illnesses or who are obese.

If you are looking to take your exercise routine outside, try to work out during the mornings or evenings when the temperatures are cooler.

FYPD BIKES AT REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION 2024



The Vineyard on Lancaster
Back to School
Games and Hot Dog Bar

Photos from Mercy Clinic's Back to School Event last month held at Travis Ave Baptist Church





Carter Riverside Neighborhood's July 4th Celebration



TRAILS TO GIVING

TWO ORGANIZATIONS, ONE CAUSE

Saturday, September 7, 2024

Dinner and Auction

5:00 pm-9:00 pm

Christ Lutheran Church:

4409 Sycamore School Road Fort Worth 76133



<https://www.facebook.com/TexasChisholmTrailCrimePreventionAssociation>



<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064421783167>

**Ticket Information: Single ticket \$15
Two tickets are \$25. Includes a BBQ Dinner
Please scan the QR Code:**



Over 100 auction items: Staycations, Sea World/Six flags, TVs, food/drink baskets

New Mt Carmel Missionary Baptist Church



YOUTH MINISTRY KICK-OFF

AUGUST 3rd, 2024

10:00 am to 1:00 pm

2600 E. Rosedale St.

Fort Worth, Texas 76105

Dr. R.A. Toliver - Senior Pastor

- **Backpack**
- **School Supplies**
- **Kona Ice**
- **Hair Cut Vouchers - Limited**
- **Hair Style Vouchers - Limited**
- **Bounce House**
- **Face Painting**
- **Game Truck**
- **Trinity Metro - Free day pass**
- **Fort Worth Library - Library Cards**
- **JPS Blood Pressure Checks**
- **Code Blue**
- **Free Food**
- **Raffles Prizes**
- **And Much More**

**Free To The
Public**

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For More Information (817) 535.0806



T&P Tavern closing permanently in Fort Worth's historic downtown train station

Picture shows T&P Tavern, a grill, bar and vintage restaurant inside the grand old downtown Fort Worth commuter rail station closed late last month. Read more [here](#).

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Buying a used car online?

- ✓ Check out the Buyers Guide
- ✓ Get a vehicle history report

VehicleHistory.gov

The graphic features three car icons (red, blue, and blue) on the right side, each with a speech bubble icon next to it. A mouse cursor is pointing at the bottom right of the graphic.

WHAT TO KNOW WHEN BUYING A USED CAR ONLINE

By: Jim Kreidler-Consumer Education Specialist

[Buying a used car](#) instead of a new one might save you some money. But finding, researching, and negotiating to get a used car can be challenging. Online sellers might claim to make buying a used car cheaper and easier, but some sellers use tactics that might end up costing you time and money.

The FTC says online seller Vroom.com broke the law when it failed to give people required [Buyers Guides](#), misrepresented vehicle inspections, didn't post copies of its warranties, and failed to give customers the option to cancel and get a refund when the company didn't deliver many cars on time.

The law says dealers must put a Buyers Guide on every used car. The Buyers Guide tells you if the car has a warranty or is being sold "as is." And, for online sales, dealers must give people the option to cancel their order and get a prompt refund when their car doesn't ship on time. If you're [shopping for a used car](#), here are some steps to take:

Get a vehicle history report. Start at [vehiclehistory.gov](#) to get free information about a vehicle's title, the most recent odometer reading, and condition. For a fee, you'll get other reports with additional information, like accident and repair history.

Get help from an independent mechanic. This is a good idea even if the car has been "certified" or inspected by the dealer. You'll have to pay the inspection fee, but it can help you avoid buying a car with major problems.

Got a call about fraud activity on your bank account? It could be a scammer

Terri Miller-Federal Trade Commission

Did someone supposedly spot fraud or criminal activity on one of your accounts? Did they offer to help “protect” your money by moving it from your bank, investment, or retirement account? Maybe they even asked you to share a verification code? If anyone did any of those things, it’s always a scam. So, what do you do next?

Never move or transfer your money to “protect it.” Your money is fine where it is, no matter what they say or how urgently they say it. Someone who says you have to move your money to protect it is a scammer. **Period.**

Never share a verification code. Ever. Banks and retirement and investment companies use these codes for online accounts to prove you’re really you. If you share that code, the scammer can use it to prove they’re you. No caller especially someone from your bank or investment company’s fraud department will ever ask for the verification code. That’s always a scam.

Stop and check it out. If you’re worried, call your real bank, broker, or investment advisor. Use the number you find on your statement never the number the caller gave you, which will take you to the scammer.

And if you think your bank or investment fund will protect you, think again. Bank accounts have different (and fewer) protections than credit cards. If you are scammed into moving your money out of your account, you won’t be protected. And you probably won’t get that money back.

If you get a call, text, or message like this, tell your bank or fund. Especially if you moved money or shared a verification code. Tell the FTC: [ReportFraud.ftc.gov](https://www.ftc.gov/report-fraud).

Don't pay for the promise of a job.

ftc.gov/JobScams

Looking for a job? Spot the scams

By Terri Miller

You may know where to look for a job, but do you know how to recognize the signs of a job scam? Know that scammers advertise jobs and business opportunities online in ads, on job sites, and on social media.

Are they asking you to pay for a job? Honest employers, including the federal government, will never ask you to pay to get a job. Anyone who does is a scammer. Honest employers also will never send you a check and then tell you to send them part of the money. That's a [fake check scam](#).

- **What do you know about them?** Search online for the name of the company or the person who's hiring you, plus the words "scam," "review," or "complaint." You might find out they've scammed other people.
- **Are those reviews real?** Success stories and testimonials might not be true or typical. Glowing stories of success could be fake or misleading, and positive online reviews may have come from made-up profiles.

What does a trusted friend or loved one think about the offer? Take some time to talk to someone you trust about ads for jobs or business opportunity offers. And learn more at ftc.gov/jobscams.



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DEEPEST CONDOLENCES

We are saddened to announce that our friend and Downtown Security Group Member **Dr. James Lynn Greenstone** passed away late last month. He was particularly proud of his service as a Deputy Sheriff and Academy Instructor with the Dallas and Tarrant County Sheriff's Offices, and his work as a Police Officer Reserve, Police Psychologist, and Hostage Negotiator with the Fort Worth Police Department. Dr. Greenstone will be missed by our department.