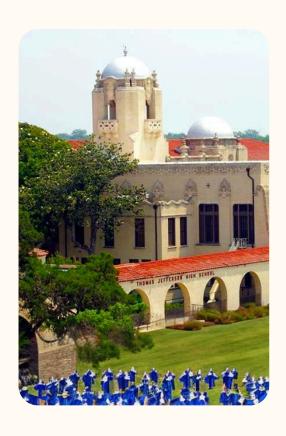
WELCOME TO OUR

Jefferson Neighborhood Association





HELLO, NEIGHBOR!

Empowering Our Community

Welcome to the May edition of the JNA Newsletter! This month, we're focusing on key neighborhood concerns, exploring hidden treasures, and celebrating our students and graduates.

Issues like homelessness, traffic safety, and stray animals impact our community daily. By staying informed and actively engaging with solutions, we can make a positive impact.

Alongside these challenges, we're excited to share recent discoveries of neighborhood treasures. From historic artifacts to fascinating stories, our community is full of hidden gems waiting to be explored.

As graduation season approaches, we extend heartfelt congratulations to our students and graduates. Your achievements inspire us, and we're proud to celebrate your successes.

Issue Highlights

CONNECTING OUT COMMUNITY,
ONE PAGE AT A TIME

- Scholarship Fund- DONATE NOW!
- Empowering our neighborhood
 - Property Taxes
 - Homeless Dashboards
 - Loose Dogs
- Neighborhood Happenings



For our digital newsletter with embedded links





Jefferson Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeintgs

Come to our Jefferson Neighborhood Association meetings each month! We feature different speakers addressing community issues, resources, and concerns. It's a chance for neighbors to connect, share thoughts, and enjoy light refreshments.

Don't miss out—join us and be part of shaping our community's future!



CLICK HERE TO DONATE

Support the Jefferson Neighborhood Association's Scholarship Fund! We have over 40 applications- let's meet our goal of exceeding \$3,000 in scholarship funds.

Why Attend?

- 1. Community Involvement: Actively shape our neighborhood's direction.
- 2. **Stay Informed:** Receive updates on events and developments.
- 3. Connect with Neighbors: Build lasting connections.
- 4. Make a Difference: Voice concerns and advocate for improvements.
- 5. **Shape Our Future:** Be part of creating a brighter Jefferson neighborhood.

Next Meeting: 05.13.24

YWLA Cafeteria @ 6:30pm

- best parking is in the West Mulberry parking lot.
- look for door greeters.
- Our featured presented: CPS Energy
 - find out energy saving tips as we start to heat up for summer
 - ask any questions about your bills



Scholarship



Empowering Our Neighborhood:

PROPERTY TAX HELP INFORMATION SESSIONS



We're excited to share valuable information about upcoming Property Tax Help Information Sessions hosted by the City of San Antonio. These sessions are designed to inform homeowners about tax exemptions and provide guidance on protesting property values before the **May 15** appeal deadline, offering invaluable assistance in navigating the complex property tax system.

Jefferson Neighborhood Meeting and Location

• May 11, 10:00 AM: Woodlawn Pointe Center for Community, 702 Donaldson Avenue #111

What to Bring:

- Homeowners should bring their Driver's License or State-Issued ID.
- If available, a copy of the 2024 Appraisal Notice should be brought.
- Additional documents may be required for specific circumstances (e.g., death certificate, utility bill, court records).
- For those receiving social security benefits due to disability, the social security award letter showing proof of disability should be brought.

Additional Information:

- Spanish and American Sign Language interpreters will be available at all sessions.
- Expert consultations and assistance in completing forms will be provided.
- Exemptions for specific groups such as surviving spouses of armed service members or disabled veterans will be discussed.







The Jefferson Neighborhood Association encourages all homeowners to attend these sessions to ensure they are informed about their property taxes and their rights to exemptions and appeals, thereby empowering them to make informed decisions regarding their property ownership.

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT

PROPERTY TAX SAVINGS FOR

HOME OWNERS

Empowering Our Neighborhood:

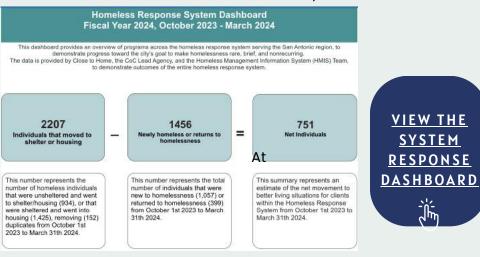


EXPLORING SAN ANTONIO'S HOMELESS DASHBOARDS

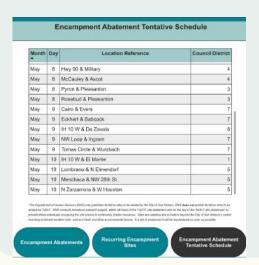
At our recent meetings, concerns about homelessness in our community have been raised. We're committed to keeping you informed, so we want to share insights from the **Homeless Dashboards** provided by the City of San Antonio's Human Services Department.

These dashboards offer valuable information about initiatives addressing homelessness in our region:

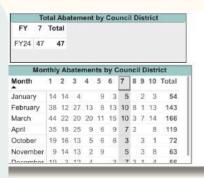
 System Response Dashboard: This dashboard provides an overview of the homeless response system in San Antonio. It tracks progress towards the goal of making homelessness rare, brief, and nonrecurring. You can see data on how many people enter homelessness each month and how many are sheltered or housed.



• Encampment Dashboard: Coordinated by the City's Department of Human Services, this dashboard focuses on efforts to remove homeless encampments that pose public health and safety issues. When encampments are reported, the DHS responds within two weeks to ensure no health or safety concerns exist. Abatements are part of a broader strategy to connect people experiencing homelessness with services and resources.



These dashboards provide transparency into the city's efforts to address homelessness and ensure the well-being of both our homeless population and the community at large. If you have further questions or concerns, don't hesitate to reach out to the City's Human Services Department.





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MONDAY - FRIDAY, 7:45 A.M. - 4:30 P.M. 210.207.8198

STAFF BREANNA JAIJAIRAM, HOMELESS SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR

VIEW THE ENCAMPMENT

DASHBOARD



Update to Neighborhood Concern

BEXAR COUNTY'S \$10M DRIVE TO TACKLE LOOSE DOGS



Recent discussions in our community have highlighted concerns about loose and stray dogs. In response, Bexar County has taken significant steps to address this issue. The County Commissioner recently approved a proposal to expand the capacity of a new animal shelter already in progress. This expansion will include an additional 48 kennels, bringing the total to 96, with an estimated cost of \$10 million on Cagnon Road.



Andrea Guerrero, Bexar County's public health director, emphasized the importance of tackling the dangerous dog problem, highlighting its impact on public safety. The expanded facility will not only increase capacity but also serve as a vital resource for the community. Guerrero emphasized that education, vaccination, and microchipping programs will also see expansion, contributing to safer neighborhoods and more humane treatment of animals.

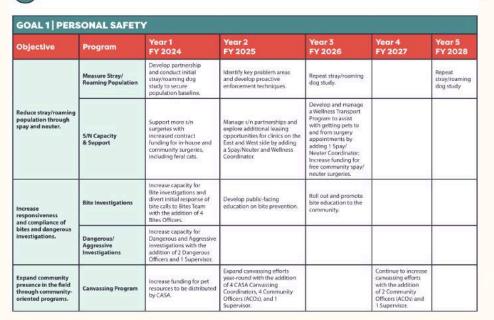
The plans for increased capacity will undergo review later this year, with groundbreaking expected in early 2025 and ribbon-cutting approximately 12 months after. In the meantime, a free rabies vaccine and microchipping event will take place on May 11 at the Bexar County Animal Facility in Kirby.







SUPPORT A SAFE COMMUNITY FOR THE PEOPLE IN THEIR NEIGHBORHOODS.





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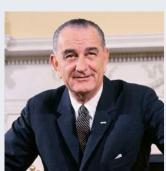
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Living History UNEARTHING PAST TREASURES



In a recent exploration of Monticello Park <u>covered by Kens 5</u>, local hobbyist Sean Ward accompanied Jefferson Neighborhood Association's VP, Jason Vasquez, as they delved into the rich history of two properties within the neighborhood.

2141 W. Gramercy Place, once the home of the Orsinger family served as a cornerstone of innovation in the 1920s and '30s, hosting some of San Antonio's earliest auto dealerships. Adjacent to it stood the home of the Lucchese Family, renowned for their legendary Lucchese Boot Company—a testament to the craftsmanship and heritage of our city.

With its storied past intertwined with the fabric of our neighborhood, the Orsinger house has witnessed significant moments in history. Across the street from the Orsinger home, sitting Vie President Lyndon B. Johnson had breakfast before heading out to campaign. This rich tapestry of events imbues the area with a sense of legacy and tradition.

During the search of the Orsinger property coins dating back to the early 20th century and an antique metal flower label that adorned its garden were located reminding us that we're living in history.



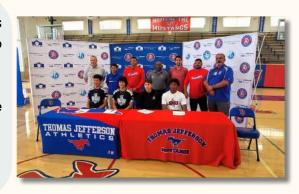
Mustang Pride



CELEBRATING OUR STUDENTS

Congratulations to our talented scholar athletes at Thomas Jefferson Boys Athletic College Signing! We're proud to announce three soccer and one football scholar athletes:

- Matthew and Jovani will be joining Our Lady of the Lake University.
- Romario has committed to Texas Lutheran University.
- Amonte will be attending Southern Nazarene University.



We're thrilled to announce that the Mighty Mustang Band has achieved a first-place rating at this year's Fiesta Battle of the Bands at Alamo Stadium! Adding to the excitement, our world-renowned Lassos performed alongside the band, showcasing their exceptional talents. Together, these two groups delivered superior performances that made our community proud. Congratulations to all for their outstanding achievements!



Make a Difference



SUPPORT JNA SCHOLARSHIPS TODAY!

We're thrilled to share that the Jefferson Neighborhood Association (JNA) has been featured on Kens 5 News for our scholarship fundraising efforts! We're still striving to reach our \$3,000 goal and need your support.

Donate today to make a difference in the lives of our graduating seniors. Visit our GoFundMe page [here] or mail a check to:

Jefferson Neighborhood Association PO Box 28552 San Antonio, TX 78228









Neighborhood Updates

NEW FOUR-WAY STOP AT W. KINGS & WILSON

We're pleased to announce the installation of a new four-way stop at the intersection of West Kings Hwy and Wilson Blvd as well as West Huisache Avenue and Wilson Blvd. This safety measure was implemented after concerned neighbors expressed worries about speeding traffic, which even made it daunting to mow their lawns.

Given its proximity to Jefferson High School, this new stop sign contributes to ensuring the safety of our students as they navigate our streets. Pedestrians appreciate this addition as it provides a safer way to cross the intersection. While opinions vary on the effectiveness of the new stop signs, some have observed instances of drivers disregarding them. Nevertheless, it's essential to remember that there is a process for submitting traffic concerns. As constituents, we have the right to advocate for and take care of our neighbors' well-being.

Let's continue working together to maintain the safety and tranquility of our neighborhood streets.



TRAFFIC SIGNS



Recap Jefferson Village VEE'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

We're excited to recap the fantastic celebration of Vee's 75th anniversary at Jefferson Village! As the only business to have remained open throughout these 75 years, Vee's holds a

special place in our hearts.

A huge shoutout to owner Mary Morales for her dedication and hard work in keeping Vee's thriving all these years. The anniversary celebration was indeed a memorable and festive occasion!

It was heartwarming to see Vee's grandchildren join in the festivities, adding to the joyous atmosphere. Congratulations once again to Vee's on this remarkable milestone!









READ OUR FEBRUARY ARTICLE
ON VEE'S

Upcoming Events in our Neighborhood



Join Bug Club!





Appointments are available from 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM. Schedule an appointment by calling (210) 207-0870 or <a href="mailto:email

Every other Thursday.

Time: 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM

1:30 PM to 2:30 PM for APPOINTMENT ONLY.

2:30 PM to 3:30 PM for WALK-INS.

Location: District 7 Field Office, 4414 Centerview Dr.,

Suite 160





Updates



Watch the latest episode of budget priorities and updates from City Hall with Councilwoman Alderete Gavito!



Stay Up to Date with SAPD!

Get updates directly to your phone from SAPD for upcoming events, safety tips, and more! Text "SAPD" to 39987 to opt in and receive alerts via text!

Join the JNA



YOUR KEY TO A STRONGER COMMUNITY

Are you looking for an opportunity to become an active participant in the growth and vitality of our neighborhood? Joining the Jefferson Neighborhood Association (JNA) as a member is your gateway to making a meaningful impact.

As a JNA member, you gain a voice in the decisions that shape our community's future. Whether you're passionate about local events, neighborhood beautification, or advocating for positive change, your membership ensures your ideas are heard and your initiatives supported.

But membership is more than just a seat at the table; it's an invitation to connect. You'll have the chance to build lasting friendships with fellow residents who share your enthusiasm for making our Jefferson NA the best place it can be.

Stay in the know with exclusive access to neighborhood updates, events, and initiatives. Your involvement as a JNA member isn't just about being informed; it's about actively contributing to our vibrant community.

Ready to take the plunge and become a JNA member? Your commitment to our neighborhood's growth and unity is invaluable. Join us today, and let's work together to create a neighborhood we're all proud to call home!





Become a Member!

MEMBERSHIP

The JNA Membership year is September 1 - August 31.



Individual Membership - \$10 per year Family Membership - \$15 per year

You must be a paid member for at least 3 months to be eligible to vote in annual elections in August.

JOIN NOW

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Support our JNA Business Members

THE HEART OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Our neighborhood's vitality wouldn't be the same without the support and presence of our local businesses. In this section, we proudly introduce you to the businesses that are an integral part of our community, making our JNA the thriving place it is today. Learn more about these wonderful establishments and the contributions they make to our neighborhood.





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SAISD

SAISD Police: 210-271-3124

Office of Historic Preservation

Office: 210-207-0035

Animal Control: Dial 311 or 210-207-4738

Code Compliance: Dial 311 or 210-207-6000

Graffiti Abatement Program: 311 or 210-207-2833

THIS IS YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD NEWSLETTER!

We welcome your contributions! This newsletter isn't just a publication—it's yours, a reflection of our vibrant community's stories, interests, and aspirations. We invite you to be an active participant in shaping its content. Have an interesting neighborhood story, event, or idea to share? We'd love to feature it. Your submissions bring life to these pages, making them a true representation of our neighborhood's spirit.

Please submit items of neighborhood interest to neighbors@jefferson-sa.com by the 25th of each month. Articles should be sent as a word or google doc and photos as .jpg files.