

WELCOME TO OUR Jefferson Neighborhood Association

gobble gobble, neighbor!



HELLO, NEIGHBOR!



November News

This November edition is packed with updates to help you enjoy the upcoming holiday season and stay engaged in our community!

First, don't miss the JNA Turkey Bungo Fundraiser Night! It's a great opportunity to support our neighborhood while having fun with family and friends. Plus, stay up to date with the latest Dog Code guidelines to ensure our furry friends stay safe and secure.

Looking ahead, we've got plenty of exciting events lined up, including holiday festivities and community gatherings. Stay tuned for more details on upcoming events that bring us together as a neighborhood.

As always, JNA is here to support our community with initiatives that make Jefferson a great place to live and grow.

*JNA is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization dedicated to preserving our neighborhood.

Issue Highlights

CONNECTING OUT COMMUNITY,
ONE PAGE AT A TIME

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*For our digital
newsletter with
embedded links*





Jefferson Neighborhood Association Monthly Meetings

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.

November

October Meeting

There was no October Meeting this month due to it being a Federal Holiday on 10.14.24. We will see you at our November meeting for Turkey Bingo!

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: 11.11.24



YWLA Cafeteria @ 6:30pm

- best parking is in the West Mulberry parking lot.
- look for door greeters.
- Come celebrate at Turkey Bingo
- Win a turkey, gift cards, Ray Ban Sunglasses
- Bingo Cards are \$10 to play and all money goes to our JNA Scholarship fund

JNA November Fundraiser

 **YOU'RE INVITED!**



The poster features a central logo for the Jefferson Neighborhood Association (JNA) at the top, surrounded by colorful autumn leaves and bunting. Below the logo, the text reads "THE JEFFERSON NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION PRESENTS" followed by "TURKEY BINGO Night" in large, bold letters. The event details are listed in an orange banner: "MONDAY | NOVEMBER 11, 2024" from "6:30PM-7:45PM" at "YWLA CAFETERIA | 2123 W. Huisache Ave". A section titled "JNA SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER" lists the price as "\$10 PER BINGO CARD" and lists prizes: "WIN A TURKEY | TURKEY TRIMMINGS BASKET", "RAYBAN SUNGLASSES | \$25 GIFTCARDS". The bottom of the poster is decorated with a turkey, sunglasses, and several circular sponsor logos including "SPONSOR US", "THANK YOU!", "STELLA & CHUCK KIERCE", "CHARLES KEYTON ABOUT FACE", "JNA BOARD", "REP. TREY MARTINEZ FISCHER", and "18".

Join us on **Monday, November 11, from 6:30 PM to 7:45 PM** at the **YWLA Cafeteria** (2123 W. Huisache Ave) for a night of family fun at the Jefferson Neighborhood Association's Turkey Bingo fundraiser!

For only \$10 per card, you'll have the chance to win fantastic prizes, including turkeys, turkey trimmings basket, Ray-Ban sunglasses, and \$25 gift cards. All proceeds will support the JNA Scholarship Fund, helping us invest in our community's future.

Thanks to our sponsors Rep. Trey Martinez Fischer, Stella & Chuck Kierce, Charles Keyton with About Face, and the JNA Board. Don't miss this exciting evening—your participation makes a difference!

JNA Board: WHAT WE'RE *thankful* FOR IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Lynn and I appreciate being in an area where **property values** continue to rise because of the dedicated work by JNA members. - Stan & Lynn Waghalter, JNA Board Members

I am thankful for my neighborhood and for the fact that we live in such a **unique** neighborhood! Who has a **park** with a beautiful **lake** in the middle of it? - Ted Guerra, JNA President

Welcome to Jacob Amesquita our newest JNA Board Member!

I am thankful for our neighborhood that is **rich in history** and full of great neighbors who **step up to watch out** for it and care for their neighbors & community. - Jason Vasquez, JNA VP

I'm thankful to live in a beautiful **historic** neighborhood that has produced and influenced **local, state, and national leaders**. - Alan Garcia, JNA Board Member



I love that the homes in our area all have their **individual character**-no cookies cutters! - Toni Cadena, Honorary JN A Board Member

I'm thankful to **run** through our neighborhood, finding escape in its **beauty** and **history**. -Madeline Chandler, JNA Secretary

I am very happy to have a JNA where we can **meet and greet** our members and **neighbors** once a month. - Elia Reyna, JNA Past President

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Morning Commute



TRAFFIC ALERT FOR JNA NEIGHBORS: I-10 & I-35 IMPROVEMENTS UNDERWAY

If you've noticed a slowdown on I-10 or I-35 near downtown, TxDOT has started a new phase of its \$25.9 million improvement project on these major routes to enhance safety and traffic flow.

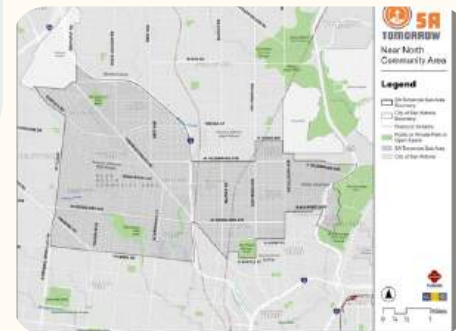
With repairs now shifting to eastbound lanes on I-10 between Fulton Avenue and Frio Street, expect alternating lane closures—though at least one lane will remain open to help keep traffic moving. This phase is scheduled through December (weather permitting), so plan extra time if these routes are part of your daily drive.

You can keep up with the latest updates by following TxDOT San Antonio on X (@TxDOTSanAntonio) or Facebook (@TxDOTSanAntonioTX).

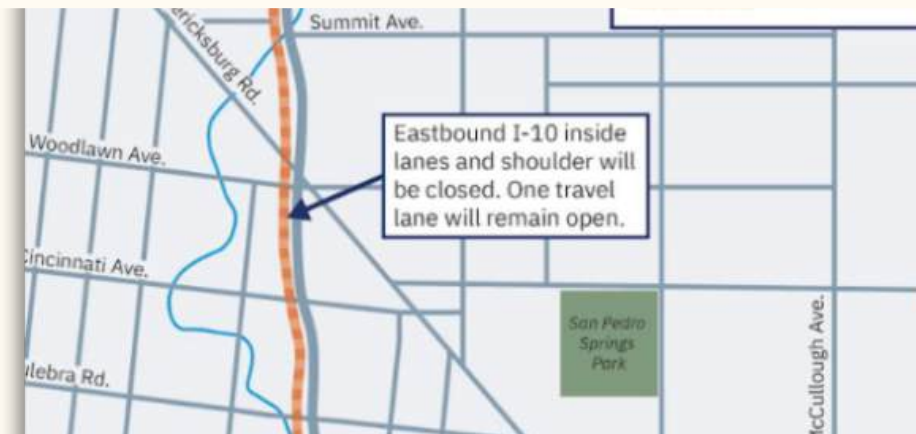
While these improvements aim to relieve traffic congestion by Fall 2025, let's stay patient and safe as our city's infrastructure gets an essential upgrade!



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PARTICIPATE
DURATION: 10 MINUTES
DEADLINE: DECEMBER
20, 2024



COMMUNITY INPUT NEEDED FOR NEAR NORTH AREA PLAN!

The City of San Antonio is gathering feedback from residents in the Near North area which includes our Jefferson Neighborhood—as part of the Near North Community Area Plan. This survey will help shape the vision, goals, and priorities for our community, covering key areas like neighborhood amenities, public spaces, housing, economic development, and more. Our very own neighbors Ted Guerra and Jason Vasquez serve on the committee, representing our voices!

How You Can Participate: [The survey](#), which takes about 10 minutes to complete, is open until Friday, December 20, 2024. This is a great opportunity for us to share our thoughts on what makes our area special, what's missing, and what changes we'd like to see in the future.

Survey Details:

- Topics Covered: Community amenities, economic development, housing, mobility, and neighborhood priorities.



You too can make a difference!

You don't need to be elected to any position or office to serve your neighborhood, community, and others. You simply need to be determined to want to make your neighborhood and our community, the best place to be for you, your family, your neighbors, and visitors to our neighborhood.



It all starts at home. Take pride in your home - clean and maintain your yard, pickup trash on the street in front of your home, put a quick layer of paint on part of your home that may need some attention, or simply sweep the clippings from your yard off the street and put them in your yard or in the organics cart (green). It's actually code to pick up clipping from the street (UDC Section 34-703).



When you're walking your dog or going for your morning or evening walk, take an empty bag with you and pick up trash you may see along your route. Every bit makes a difference when it's done by all of us! Turn on your porch light at night and make our neighborhood safer for your family and neighbors. The average cost to run a 60 watt light bulb per night for 12 hours is about \$1.50. A small price to pay for safety and security. If you don't want to use power, there are solar light posts that go with the style of our homes!



When you're driving in the neighborhood, watch your speed, make full stops at stop signs, wave at your neighbors, take a moment to chat if you have time, or visit with a neighbor on an upcoming cool evening. If you see bandit signs on light posts or on stands in the neighborhood or nearby area, swipe them up! You're protected! (UDC Chapter 28, Section 6).

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When you go to a community forum or event where elected officials who represent US are present, ask questions and challenge them to help our neighborhood and what you think would help our neighborhood.

The easiest thing you can do- attend the next JNA monthly meeting and get involved and become a member! The mission of the JNA is to empower our residents through education, advocacy, and establishing a culture of community.

Join our mission today and help advocate for and make a difference for our neighborhood! Each one of us can help! We look forward to welcoming you!

-Jason Vasquez, JNA Vice President





Get Festive with a Thanksgiving Classic!



EASY GREEN BEAN CASSEROLE RECIPE

As we gather around the table this Thanksgiving, there's nothing like a classic green bean casserole to bring the flavors of the season to life. Here's a quick and easy recipe that's sure to be a crowd-pleaser at your holiday feast. . Have a cozy and delicious Thanksgiving, JNA!

Ingredients:

- 2 (14.5 oz) cans green beans, drained
- 1 (10.5 oz) can condensed cream of mushroom soup
- 1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese, divided
- 1 (6 oz) can French-fried onions

Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 350°F (175°C).
2. In a large microwave-safe bowl, mix green beans and condensed soup until combined. Microwave on high for 3-5 minutes until warm.
3. Stir in ½ cup Cheddar cheese and microwave for another 2-3 minutes.
4. Transfer mixture to a casserole dish, sprinkle with remaining Cheddar and top with French-fried onions.
5. Bake for 10 minutes or until cheese melts and onions are golden.

Tip:

To reheat, let the casserole come to room temperature for 30 minutes. Reheat at 350°F until the onions are golden and the casserole is warm throughout.

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DID YOU KNOW? KEEPING OUR NEIGHBORHOOD SAFE FOR ALL



Even if a dog is friendly, runners, walkers, and families with strollers may not know that when encountering an unleashed dog on their path. While loose dog incidents have decreased in the neighborhood, one local runner recently had to keep pepper spray ready during a run on Alexander Hamilton Drive after encountering two large, roaming dogs.

Here are some important reminders to keep in mind:

- **Vaccination Requirement:** All dogs and cats must have up-to-date rabies vaccinations; otherwise, owners face a \$500 fine.
- **Leash Laws:** Dogs must be on a leash when in a front yard or outside a fenced area. Allowing dogs to roam without restraint is a Class C misdemeanor, with a maximum \$500 fine.

- **Bite Protocols:** If a dog bites or scratches, it must be quarantined for ten days for rabies observation. Additionally, the animal cannot be sold or given away until cleared by the Local Rabies Control Authority (LRCA).
- **Prohibited Sales:** Roadside animal sales are not permitted.

As a community, we can do better to ensure everyone, including our own fur babies, feels safe.



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Voting



Woodlawn Academy understands the importance of voting and actively encourages its students and community members to participate in the democratic process. By fostering civic engagement, the academy empowers individuals to have their voices heard and make a positive impact in local and national elections. They hosted their very own election!



Neighborhood Events



Legend:
 Project Area, Schools, Segment 1, Segment 2, Segment 3, Segment 4, Segment 5, Segment 6, Roads, Park

Are you a bike rider or do you enjoy walking around Woodlawn Lake?

Help shape better bike lanes around Woodlawn Lake! Join us for a community meeting to discuss:

- Bike lane improvements

Date: Nov 20, 6 PM

Location: Little Flower School, 905 Kentucky Ave

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THURSDAY NIGHT LIGHTS



\$5,000 BAND GRANT

**CLICK LINK
ABOVE TO VOTE**

Deadline to vote is
November 7th



Join the Brackenridge Park Conservancy on November 16, 2024, for "The Big Brack Bash!" celebrating the park's 125th anniversary. Enjoy live music, vintage cars, donkey visits, food trucks, and activities for all ages. Explore Brackenridge's rich history with UTSA's archaeological exhibits and share your own memories with the Office of Historic Preservation. The event is free, with food and drinks available for purchase. Don't miss this fun, community celebration at Brackenridge Park from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. Thanks to H-E-B for sponsoring!

If you have an exciting event happening in our local community that you'd like to showcase, we encourage you to email us with the details: neighbors@jefferson-sa.com

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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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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.