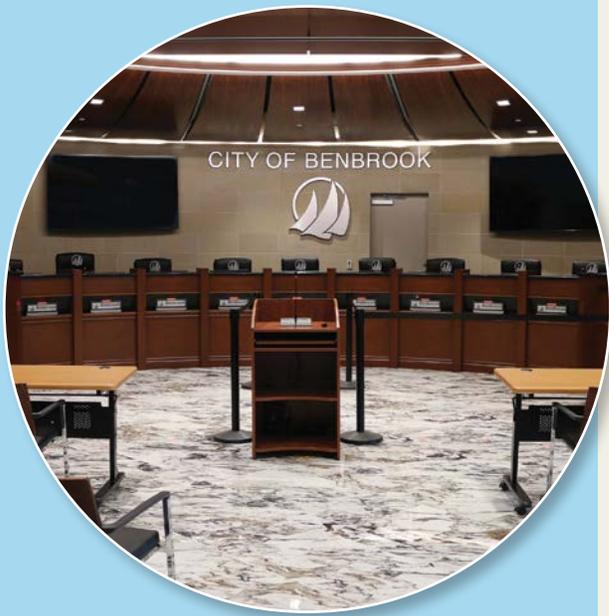


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2025 Annual Report



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911

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Message from City Council

In 2025, the City of Benbrook continued its focus on meeting the current and future needs of residents and businesses throughout the community. Providing reliable city services and making strategic infrastructure investments remained central priorities for City Council and Staff. These efforts were guided by a long-term commitment to maintaining Benbrook as a safe, accessible, and desirable place to live, work, and do business.

Throughout the year, the City and the Public Services Department advanced street and drainage improvements across Benbrook to enhance mobility and reduce flooding risks. These improvements help ensure safer, more reliable access for residents and businesses while strengthening the City's overall infrastructure system. A key project completed in 2025 was the replacement of the low-water crossing at Dutch Branch Park, which became necessary due to deteriorating storm drainpipes beneath the crossing. In addition to this major project, approximately 15.5 miles of streets throughout the city were upgraded to improve drainage performance and provide smoother, more dependable travel. These improvements contributed to increased roadway longevity and improved driving conditions for the community. City Staff also continued implementing the drainage improvements identified in the Dutch Branch Park Master Drainage Plan, a carefully developed initiative designed to reduce flooding while preserving the park's natural beauty and usability.

Beyond core infrastructure projects, the Parks Department

made significant enhancements to recreational amenities at Dutch Branch Park by resurfacing the basketball, tennis, and pickleball courts in the upper courts area, creating safer, higher-quality spaces where residents of all ages can gather, stay active, and enjoy time outdoors. These improvements reflect the City's ongoing commitment to supporting a connected, thriving community and ensuring that public spaces remain welcoming and enjoyable for everyone.

Benbrook's economy continued to grow in 2025, with more than \$93.4 million invested back into the community through commercial development. Over sixteen new businesses opened during the year, reflecting continued confidence in Benbrook's local market. In addition, five major commercial projects remain under construction and are projected to be completed in 2026. Several notable businesses opened their doors in Benbrook, including Tandy Leather, Mooring Recovery Services, 7 Brew Coffee, Bortnem Orthodontics, Perkins Orthodontics, Third Gen Painting & Restoration, Benbrook Tea and Wellness, LLC, and BoxDrop Furniture and Mattress. These new businesses expanded local services and employment opportunities for residents. Their presence further strengthened Benbrook's commercial landscape and contributed to the City's ongoing economic vitality.

The Benbrook Economic Development Corporation (BEDC) invested \$948,882 into the community through beautification projects and grant programs supporting new and existing local businesses. These investments enhanced community aesthetics while also assisting with

business recruitment and retention efforts. Funding was also used to improve storefronts and building exteriors, helping businesses become more sustainable and better positioned for long-term success.

Providing opportunities for residents to engage with the City through public input and community events remained a focus for the City Council and Staff throughout the year. Residents played an active role in shaping the redevelopment of Castle Park and Robot Park through an online survey and an open house held at Dutch Branch Park. Participants were able to select specific play elements, ensuring the designs reflect community preferences and needs. A wide variety of community events were also offered throughout the year to encourage resident participation and connection. Public events included three E-Waste and Shred events, a Household Hazardous Waste Collection event, the 33rd Annual Trash Bash, the 17th Annual Benbrook Heritage Fest, Benbrook's 34th Annual Tree Lighting and Fireworks Show, Touch-A-Truck, National Night Out, and the monthly Benbrook Artisans and Farmers Market.

Looking back on 2025, the City Council is proud of the many projects that came to fruition across the community. These accomplishments would not have been possible without the dedication, time, and support of community volunteers and leaders. We are honored to serve all who call Benbrook home and look forward to continued progress as we work together to Build a Better Benbrook.

Thank You,
Benbrook City Council



Awards & Special Recognitions

Excellence in Financial Reporting Award

The City of Benbrook's Finance Department was awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada for its annual comprehensive financial report for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in government accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by the City of Benbrook and its management team.

APATX Planning Excellence Program

In 2025, the American Planning Association - Texas Chapter named Benbrook an award winner in the American Planning Association's Richard R. Lillie, FAICP Planning Excellence Program. This award recognizes the commitment to professional planning by city administration, elected and appointed officials, and exemplary professional standards demonstrated by the Planning and Zoning Department Staff.

City Maintains Bond Credit Rating

The City of Benbrook maintained its exceptional bond rating of AA+ with S&P Global. The ability to maintain this rating continues to demonstrate the City's strong creditworthiness through sound financial management and liquidity.

Distinguished Budget Presentation Award

The City of Benbrook's Finance Department received the Government Finance Officers Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for its budget. Budgets must be rated proficient in four different categories, and fourteen mandatory criteria within these categories, to receive this distinguished award.

City of Benbrook Recognized by Keep Texas Beautiful

Keep Texas Beautiful recognized Benbrook as a Silver Star Affiliate for its efforts to maintain beautification in the city. Benbrook participated in Electronic Waste and Shred events, an annual Hazardous Household Waste event, and the 33rd Annual Benbrook Trash Bash.



The Benbrook Fire Department maintained its Class 2 ISO Rating, known as the Public Protection Classification (PPC) program

The Benbrook Fire Department maintained its outstanding Class 2 ISO Rating, known as the Public Protection Classification (PPC) program. The program assesses the ability of local fire departments to protect their community and homes. This high level of performance allows the Benbrook Fire Department to stay in the top 4% of the fire departments in the country, which helps lower the cost of Benbrook homeowner's insurance.

Community Programs & Events

Benbrook's Artisan and Farmers Market

Benbrook's Artisan and Farmers Market is a seasonal community event held on the first Sunday of each month from March through December at Dutch Branch Park. The market features local vendors offering fresh produce, baked goods, meats, cheeses, handcrafted goods, and other unique items providing an opportunity for residents to support local businesses and enjoy fresh, seasonal products. Each month, more than 100 vendors showcase their offerings.



Benbrook Heritage Fest

In 2025, the City of Benbrook hosted the 17th Annual Benbrook Heritage Fest at Dutch Branch Park. Guests enjoyed live entertainment, a petting zoo and pony rides, mechanical bull riding, a corn maze, a chuckwagon dinner, and a street dance, along with many other activities celebrating Benbrook's western heritage. Attendees also took part in the 2nd Annual Hoffbrau Steak & Grill House Corn Eating Contest, a dog costume contest, and a stick horse race. The event featured participation from more than 70 vendors.

Benbrook's 34th Annual Tree Lighting and Fireworks Show

The Benbrook Fire Department hosted Benbrook's 34th Annual Tree Lighting and Fireworks Show at Dutch Branch Park. Residents and visitors from across the Metroplex gathered at the park, tailgating in advance of the celebration. Mr. and Mrs. Claus made their much-anticipated entrance aboard a fire truck, greeting children at the event. Attendees once again enjoyed hot cocoa, and for the first time were able to listen to the show's music through their car radios.

Community Environmental Events

In 2025, Benbrook residents demonstrated a strong commitment to keeping the community clean and beautiful by participating in five environmental events throughout the year. Three E-Waste and Shred events were held, securely shredding 10,754 pounds of paper and collecting 18,846 pounds of electronic waste, all of which was diverted from local landfills. During the Household Hazardous Waste Collection event, 112 households safely disposed of 2,100 pounds of oil, paint, solvents, and other household chemicals. The City also hosted the 33rd Annual Benbrook Trash Bash at Dutch Branch Park, where 183 volunteers, including residents and civic groups, worked together to collect 83 bags of trash from around the lake and park.



Benbrook Community Garden

The Benbrook Community Garden provides residents with a place to connect with nature while growing their own fresh produce. Located within Timbercreek Park, the garden features 50 plots available for individuals and families to cultivate vegetables, herbs, and flowers. This community-driven initiative offers an educational environment, promotes sustainable living, and fosters a strong sense of community in a scenic park setting.

Touch-A-Truck

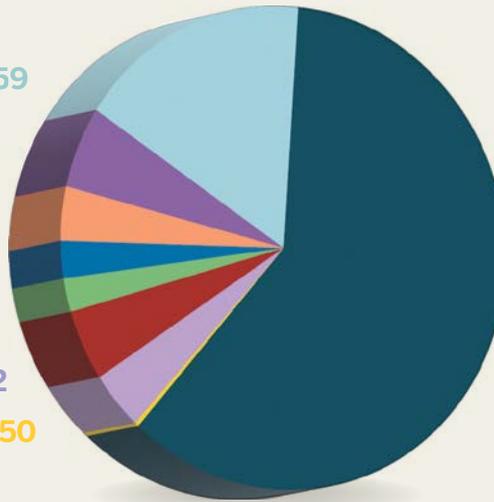
During the month of April, the City of Benbrook hosted the highly popular Touch-A-Truck community event. The event gave Benbrook residents and families the opportunity to see, explore, and personally interact with the various vehicles and city personnel that protect and serve the community each day. Attendees climbed aboard garbage trucks, ambulances, ladder trucks, and police cruisers, dressed in firefighter gear, and participated in an obstacle course that included using a real fire hose to extinguish a simulated house fire.



Financial Highlights

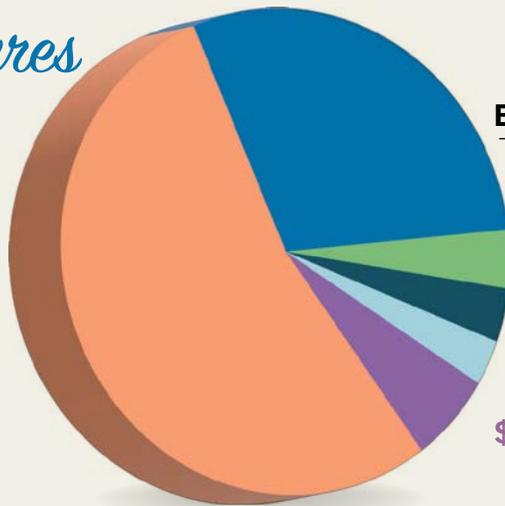
Revenues

Sales and Other Taxes	\$4,628,259
Franchise Taxes	\$1,522,983
Licenses and Permits	\$1,016,471
Fines and Forfeitures	\$649,416
Revenue from Other Agencies	\$650,524
Charges for Current Services	\$1,254,050
Use of Money and Property	\$1,085,582
Other Revenue	\$56,950



Expenditures

Public Safety
\$13,936,360



EXPENDITURES

SERVICES

\$7,757,413	Streets, Parks, Fleet & Bldg Maint.
\$972,180	Community Development
\$963,980	Administration
\$793,313	Non Departmental
\$1,564,326	Staff Support Services

Tax Dollar Breakdown

Where Your Property Tax Dollars Go



Average Taxable Value of Single Family Home \$298,730

Development



The Benbrook Economic Development Corporation

The Benbrook Economic Development Corporation (BEDC) reinvested **\$948,882** into the community through targeted beautification initiatives and grant programs designed to support both new and existing local businesses. These strategic investments worked to *Build a Better Benbrook* by strengthening the city's aesthetics while directly supporting business recruitment, retention, and long-term economic vitality. Funding also focused on improving storefronts and building exteriors, helping local businesses enhance sustainability, and better positioned for long-term success.

Current Development Under Construction

- Jakes Burgers
- Tacos and Avocados
- Urgo Medical North America, LLC
- Magnolia Fence & Patio
- Benbrook Creekside Apartments

New Businesses Opened in 2025

- Tandy Leather
- 7 Brew Coffee
- Bortnem Orthodontics
- Benbrook Tea and Wellness, LLC
- Perkins Orthodontics
- Ballard Family Dentistry (new building)
- Mineral Grove Realty, LLC
- Third Gen Painting & Restoration
- Bohlig Insurance & Financial Services
- Higgins and Associates
- J&V Painting Plus
- Black Pine Properties
- Boxdrop Furniture and Mattress Benbrook
- Mooring Recovery Services
- Hanna Foot Spa
- On Time Home Health Services
- Mooring Recovery Services



Performed
3,505
Total Inspections



Number of Building Permits

983



Total Current Commercial Investment into Community

\$93.4 million

Police Department

The Benbrook Police Department is dedicated to community service and ensuring Benbrook remains a safe place to live and do business. For over two decades, the Benbrook Citizens on Patrol (COPs) have worked alongside the Department, providing support at special events, assisting during critical incidents, and conducting regular patrols to observe and report criminal activity, hazards, and suspicious behavior.



Community Events



National Night Out

ACH Child and Family Services
Christmas Toy Drive

Neighborhood Watch Programs

Touch-A-Truck

Average Response Time

2.85

Minutes

Police Dispatched

1,458

Animal Control Calls

Attended Hours of
Specialized and
Advanced Training

6,355

Citizens on Patrol
Hours Volunteered

874

Police Dept
Responded to

14,496

Calls



Fire Department

The Benbrook Fire Department delivers a wide range of essential services that go far beyond firefighting. In addition to protecting lives and property, the department operates one of the most advanced Emergency Medical Service (EMS) systems in Tarrant County. Firefighters are actively involved in educating students and local businesses on fire safety, conducting rescue operations, inspecting commercial properties, and overseeing the City of Benbrook's emergency management plan to ensure the community is prepared for critical situations.

The Benbrook Fire Department provides many different services including:

- Firefighting
- Rescue Operations
- Emergency Medical Services (EMS)
- Controls Hazardous Spills
- Fire Inspections
- Enforces Fire Codes

31
Full-time Staff

Total Calls
Responded
to for Service

4,264



Fire Division
Responded to

1,131
Service Calls

EMS Division
Responded to

2,692
Service Calls

Dual Fire and EMS
Calls

441

Transported

1,953
Patients to Area
Hospitals

Main Goal:

Protecting lives and property in Benbrook and surrounding areas from fire and emergencies.





Public Services

Throughout 2025, the City and the Public Services Department focused on street and drainage infrastructure improvements across the community. A significant infrastructure project included the replacement of the low-water crossing at Dutch Branch Park, which was necessary due to deteriorating storm drainpipes beneath the crossing. In addition, approximately 15.5 miles of streets across the city were improved to enhance drainage performance and maintain reliable access for residents and business owners.

The Parks Division continued implementing the drainage improvements identified in the Dutch Branch Park Master Drainage Plan, which was developed to reduce flooding risks while maintaining the quality of the park for residents to enjoy. In addition, Staff resurfaced the basketball, tennis, and pickleball courts located in the upper courts area of Dutch Branch Park, enhancing recreational amenities for residents.

Department Responsibilities

- Engineering
- Parks
- Landscaping in Public Spaces
- Building Maintenance
- Streets
- Drainage
- Traffic Signals and Signs
- Code Enforcement
- Fleet Services



The City Milled and Overlaid

15.5

Miles of Asphalt Streets



Parks and Recreation Division Maintains

434

Acres of Park Land



81

Acres of Open Space

Public Works Division Maintains

102

Miles of Streets



Benbrook Community Spotlight





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