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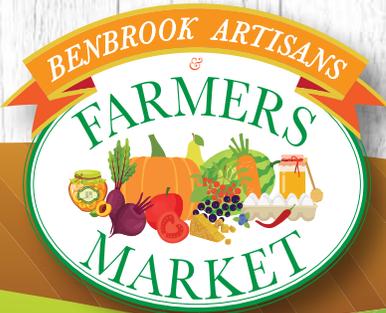
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October 5th10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

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December 7th10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

For more information, call 817-821-7386.

Free E-Waste and Shred Event

Dutch Branch Park
8 a.m. – 12 p.m. • Saturday, October 11, 2025

Bring your electronic waste and old documents to the **FREE** E-Waste and Shred Event **Saturday, October 11, 2025**, at Dutch Branch Park, **8 a.m. to 12 p.m.**, or until the trucks are full. The event takes place in the back parking lot behind the Benbrook Community Center/YMCA (1899 Winscott Rd.). Proof of Benbrook residency is required (e.g., driver's license or utility bill).

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Radios & Telephones
- Computers/Monitors/Printers (Innovative Electronics destroys the hard drive.)
- Fax Machines/Copiers
- Microwave Ovens/Dishwashers/Washers/Dryers/Refrigerators
- Gaming Systems (Xbox, PlayStation, etc.)
- Vacuum Cleaners
- VCR Players
- Smoke Detectors

Sierra Shred will also be on-site to shred documents. Please limit documents to a reasonable household amount (**no large quantities of business documents**). Please do not place plastic materials such as credit cards or compact discs with documents to be shredded. For more information, call Cecilia Ventura at **817-249-6008**.

Yellow Bag Garbage Program

The City's Yellow Bag program allows Benbrook residents to have their trash collected twice per week. On Saturdays, Republic Services collects all yellow bags placed curbside. Residents may purchase the following quantities of yellow bags at City Hall:

- \$13.86 for a roll of 25
 - \$27.71 for a roll of 50
 - \$41.57 for a roll of 75
 - \$55.43 for a roll of 100
- *Tax not included

17th Annual Benbrook Heritage Fest

The City of Benbrook would like to extend a "Thank You" to all those who supported the 17th Annual Heritage Fest this year! The event was a great success. Thank you to all the generous sponsors and supporters of the event including our Title Sponsor Benbrook Lighted Par 3 & Range, our Trail Boss Sponsors Whataburger, Republic Services, Mineral Grove Realty, Audi Fort Worth, and our Wrangler Sponsors Simple Things Furniture, Integrity Urgent Care, Raising Cane's, Hoffbrau Steak & Grill House, Walmart, Movie Tavern, Jimmy John's, and J5 Plumbing. A special thank you to the In-Kind Sponsors including Benbrook Stables, Benbrook Water Authority, Benbrook Chick-fil-A, Russell Feed & Supply, Hollywood Feed, Panther City Artist, Altitude Trampoline Park at City View, Home Depot Fort Worth, Premier Nursery, Chisholm Trail Outdoor Museum, Benbrook Chicken Express, Basis Benbrook, Benbrook Area Chamber of Commerce, Benbrook Public Library, and Benbrook Community Center YMCA. See you next year!



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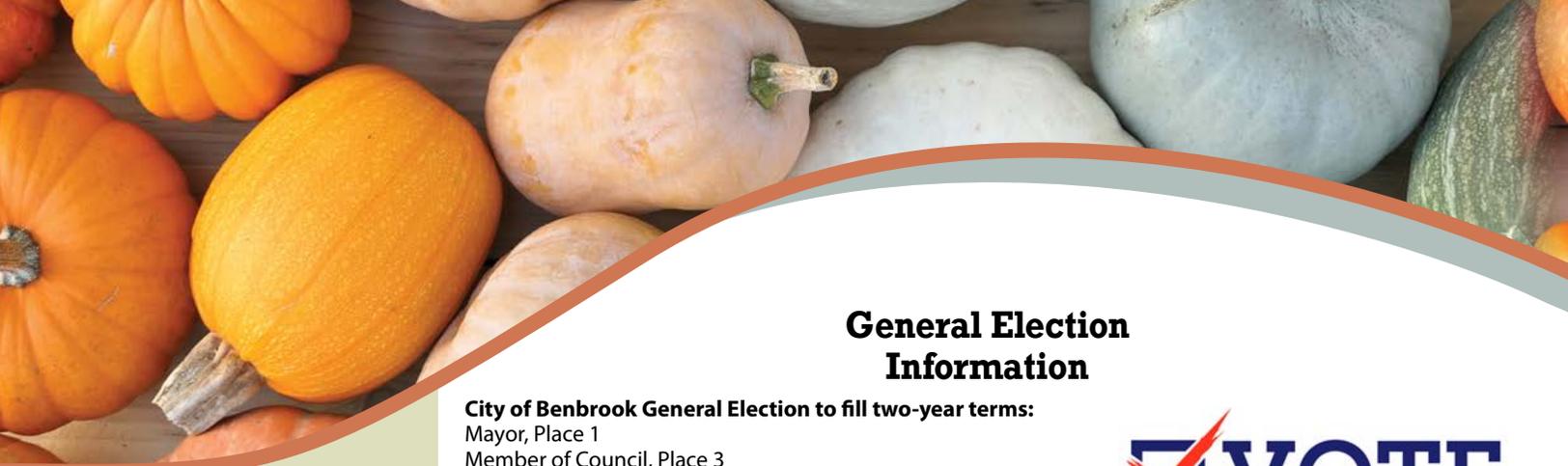


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benbrook-tx.gov



General Election Information

City of Benbrook General Election to fill two-year terms:

Mayor, Place 1
Member of Council, Place 3
Member of Council, Place 5
Member of Council, Place 7



Benbrook Water Authority (BWA) General Election: The BWA has three openings on its Board of Directors, with each position carrying a four-year term. Learn more about BWA's Board Positions at benbrookwater.com

Benbrook Library District General Election: The Benbrook Library District has three openings on its Board of Directors, with each position carrying a two-year term. Learn more about the Library's positions at benbrooklibrary.org

When is the election? What are the hours? Tuesday, November 4, 2025, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Who is permitted to vote in the election? All persons residing within the City limits of Benbrook who possess an effective and valid Voter Registration Certificate issued by the Tarrant County Election Administrator.

Election Day Polling Places: The local polling place will be held at the Benbrook Community Center, 228 San Angelo Avenue, Benbrook, Texas 76126. A complete list of local polling places are listed on the Tarrant County Elections website at www.tarrantcounty.com/elections. **Please note:** Tarrant County has been designated as a Vote Center County. As a Vote Center, Benbrook voters may vote at **any** Tarrant County polling place on Election Day and during Early Voting and are not restricted to the voter's election precinct.

When and where is Early (absentee) Voting? Early voting by personal appearance will be held at the Benbrook Community Center, 228 San Angelo Avenue, Benbrook, Texas, 76126 and the Tarrant County Main Early Voting Site, 2700 Premier Street, Fort Worth, Texas, 76111.

October 20 – October 31 – Early Voting

October 20-24	Monday-Friday	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
October 25	Saturday	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
October 26	Sunday	10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
October 27-31	Monday-Friday	7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Can ballots be obtained and cast by mail? Yes, application for a Ballot by Mail may be downloaded from Tarrant County website at www.tarrantcounty.com/elections. For more information, contact Tarrant County Elections Administration at **817-831-8683** or visit www.tarrantcounty.com/elections.

Applications for a Ballot by Mail may be submitted by **October 24, 2025**, if delivered by mail, fax, or email to:

Tarrant County Elections P.O. Box 961011 Fort Worth, TX 76161-0011	Express Courier Delivery Tarrant County Elections 2700 Premier St. Fort Worth, TX 76111-3011
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Fax: **817-850-2344**
Email: votebymail@tarrantcounty.com

What are the requirements to obtain and cast a ballot by mail?

The requirements to be eligible to vote by mail are:

- Voter is 65 years of age or older on Election Day
- Voter is disabled

For #1 or #2 the ballot must be mailed to the voter registration residence address/ mailing address or to a hospital, nursing home/long-term care facility, retirement center or address of a relative. The relationship of the relative must be indicated.

- Voter is confined in jail – ballot must be mailed to the jail or address of a relative.
- Voter is expected to be absent from the county on Election Day and during hours of regular early voting by personal appearance. Applications must be submitted from outside the county if submitted after early voting by personal appearance has begun. **BALLOTS MUST BE MAILED TO AN ADDRESS OUTSIDE THE COUNTY. RETURN BALLOTS MUST BE POSTMARKED AND RECEIVED FROM OUTSIDE THE COUNTY.**



YMCA News

Middle School Madness

Bring your teens to hang out at the Y's Middle School Madness Night **October 3, October 17, November 7, and November 21 from 7:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.** There is a \$10 fee for members and \$15 for non-members. Snacks, prizes, and food are provided.

Trunk or Treat at the YMCA

Join the Y, **October 24 from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.**, for the YMCA's Annual Trunk or Treat event! The event includes a DJ, food trucks, Chick-fil-A, and plenty of fun activities for the whole family. This is a **FREE** community event. For more information or to have a booth at the event, contact Tonya Gertz at tgertz@ymcafw.org.

Winter Basketball

The season starts **December 8, 2025**. This program is designed to help kids sharpen their skills and make new friends. Cost is \$110 for members and \$170 for non-members. Contact Chazeray Jackson at chazeray.jackson@ymcafw.org for more information.

Fall Aquatics

Learn to swim year-round at the YMCA. The Y offers a variety of aquatics programs such as; Swim Starters, a parent-child swim lesson for infants and toddlers, Swim Basics for children over 3, and Swim Strokes for children wanting to develop their skills. The Y also offers a year-round swim team. Contact Samantha Ridge at sridge@ymcafw.org for more information.

Call **817-249-0500** or visit www.ymcafw.org/benbrook for more information on all programs happening at the Benbrook YMCA.



Serve on a Board or Commission

The Benbrook City Council is now accepting applications from citizens interested in serving on a Board or Commission. Positions are available on the following Boards and Commissions.

- Planning and Zoning Commission
- Zoning Board of Adjustment/Appeals Commission
- Parks and Recreation Board
- Benbrook Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors

Applications and additional information are available at Benbrook City Hall (911 Winscott Rd.) or by scanning the QR Code. For questions, contact Beth Fischer at bfischer@benbrook-tx.gov.

The application deadline is **November 3, 2025**.



Fencing Permit

A City of Benbrook fence permit is required before building a residential or commercial fence exceeding 30 inches in height or replacing more than 25% of the existing fence. In addition, constructed fences need to be inspected to ensure all city codes are followed. The permit is \$50, and the applications can be found online at <https://www.benbrook-tx.gov/DocumentCenter/View/6598/FENCE-APP?bidId=>. Site Plans must be submitted with the permit application. Applications can be submitted by email to buildinginspections@benbrook-tx.gov or in person at City Hall. For more information, contact the Building Permit and Inspection Department at **817-249-6064**.



Protect Your Vehicle from Theft

If you've ever experienced a vehicle break-in, you know that sinking feeling of returning to your vehicle and finding it compromised. By taking a few simple steps, you can protect your vehicle and its contents from theft. Follow these tips to help protect your vehicle.

Keep Your Vehicle Locked and Windows Closed

- Lock the doors and close the windows anytime you are not in the vehicle.

Park Your Vehicle in Secure Areas

- Look for well-lit areas.
- Avoid remote spots.
- Parking below CCTV cameras or security devices can deter thieves.
- Install motion sensor flood lights on your home for additional security.

Remove Valuables from the Vehicle

- Avoid leaving purses, phones, or expensive items in your vehicle, especially firearms.
- Avoid leaving shopping bags or luggage in your vehicle.

Activate Your Vehicle Alarm

- Most vehicles have built-in alarms that are active once the vehicle is completely locked.
- Consider installing a steering wheel lock or a hidden tracking device as an extra layer of protection.

For more information, contact the Benbrook Police Department at **817-249-2752**.



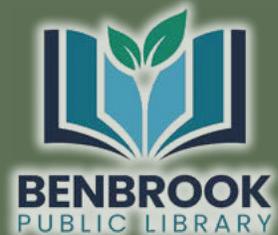
Senior News

Engage in a calendar full of events and activities at the Benbrook Senior Citizens Center. You are invited to participate in the activities listed below.

- **Bridge:** Mondays and Thursdays, 9 a.m.
- **Canasta:** Thursdays, 9 a.m.
- **42 Dominoes:** Tuesdays and Fridays, 9 a.m.
- **Hand and Foot:** Daily, 9 a.m.
- **Mexican Train Dominoes:** Tuesdays and Thursdays, 12 p.m.
- **Dance:** First Friday of the month, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

The monthly calendar is posted on the Benbrook Senior Citizens Center Facebook page. For more information, call the Benbrook Senior Citizens Center at **817-249-6093**.

Benbrook Public Library



Tween Tech

The Benbrook Public Library hosts a weekly tech club for tweens and teens every **Wednesday** from **4 p.m. – 5 p.m.** Ages 8-15 are welcome to join. The group will learn coding and 3-D printing using the Fiero Code and Tinkercad software programs. Participants can bring their devices or utilize library resources.

Library After Dark: Ghost Hunt in the Stacks "BECKS" Vickers

Join host Becky Vickers, as seen on "Ghost Adventures" and "Ghost Stories", Friday, **October 11, from 7 p.m. – 10 p.m.** for an evening of ghost stories. The event will conclude with a paranormal investigation of the Benbrook Public Library. Library After Dark is a 21 and over only event. Outside food and beverages are welcome. \$5 cover includes refreshments.

Friends of the Library Book Sale

The Library is hosting its semi-annual book sale **October 24, from 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.**, and **October 25, from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.** For more information, visit benbrooklibrary.org or call the Benbrook Public Library at **817-249-6632**.

Master Gardener Program

Presented by members of the Fort Worth Master Gardeners, this educational series is designed to help gardeners of all experience levels grow with confidence. November's topic: *Companion Planting* – Explore strategies for pairing plants to boost growth, reduce pests, and improve garden health.

November 14, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.



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Safety Tips for Frying a Turkey

Frying a turkey can be a delicious tradition, but it also poses significant fire risks if not done safely. Here are some tips from the Benbrook Fire Department.

- Fry outside only.
- Flame/heat-resistant surface.
- Keep fryer at ground level.
- Keep children and pets away.
- Use a thermometer to monitor oil temperature.
- Never leave the fryer unattended.
- Never add a frozen turkey to hot oil.
- Have a fire extinguisher readily available.
- Avoid overfilling the fryer.



For more information, contact the Benbrook Fire Department at **817-249-1727**.

Don't Forget!
 Replace smoke detector batteries biannually. Test them monthly and keep your home safe!

City Hall Closures

Benbrook City Hall will be closed on Columbus Day (10/13) and for the Thanksgiving holiday (11/27 - 11/28). These holidays will not impact trash or recycling services. You may place your trash and recycling at the curb on your regularly scheduled pick-up day. For trash questions, call Cecilia Ventura at **817-249-6008**.

BWA Winter Quarter Average

Wastewater (sewer) billing is based on Winter Quarter Average consumption, meaning you will be charged the same amount each month for wastewater based on your average water usage over the three winter months—so be mindful of your winter water usage. For more information, visit <https://www.benbrookwater.com/215/Winter-Quarter-Average>.



BENBROOK WATER AUTHORITY



City Council

- Jason Ward.....Mayor
- Renee FranklinPlace 2
- Dr. Larry MarshallPlace 3
- Dustin Phillips.....Place 4
- Gary Addison.....Place 5
- Laura MackeyPlace 6
- Keith Tiner.....Place 7

Benbrook City Council meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at Benbrook City Hall (911 Winscott Rd.).