

## SEE MORE AUGUST EVENTS

For a list of events, please visit [www.waco-texas.com](http://www.waco-texas.com) and click on the Calendar icon (top left).

## REGISTRATION FOR AFTER-SCHOOL CAMPS

Registration begins August 3 for the City of Waco Parks and Recreation after-school camps at South Waco, Bledsoe-Miller and Dewey Community Centers. The program is for kids ages 5 to 13, from 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The monthly rate is \$65, per child. Kids will take part in after-school tutoring and indoor/outdoor recreational activities. The camps provide limited transportation and also offer snacks for campers. For more information or for registration, contact the community centers:

**South Waco:**  
(254) 750-8650

**Bledsoe-Miller:**  
(254) 750-8684

**Dewey:**  
(254) 750-8677



## NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS

### Tuesday, August 11

Downtown Neighborhood General Meeting, 6:30 p.m. @ The Central Library (1717 Austin Ave.)

### Thursday, August 13

North East General Meeting, 6:30 p.m. @ East Waco Library (901 Elm Ave.)

### Monday, August 24

Brooks Oaks General Meeting, 6 p.m. @ Dewey Community Center (925 N. 9th St.)

### Tuesday, August 25

Carver General Meeting, 5:30 p.m. @ Carver Academy Library (1601 J J Flewellen Rd.)

*Neighborhood Associations may make last minute changes to dates or times. Check their websites or social media outlets for the latest information.*

## THANK YOU

The Waco-McLennan County Library would like to thank everyone in the community for continuing to support the library during the closure and reopening phases. For the most up to date information about library events and services, visit [wacolibrary.org](http://wacolibrary.org) or follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.



Below is a sampling of just a few of the short subjects in this series, all produced by the City on its history.

- Legend of Lover's Leap
- The Waco Victory Ship
- Brazos River Lock & Dams
- 1918 Hook & Ladder Truck
- Early Waco Restaurants
- Waco Hall, A gift to Baylor
- City's Flying W trademarked logo
- How City of Robinson was named
- How City of Lorena was named
- How City of McGregor was named
- How City of Lacy-Lakeview was named
- How City of Woodway was named
- Mrs. Keton's Bakery
- Baby Percy Medicine
- Liberty Building Explosion

## Featured Videos

For over 17 years, the Waco City Cable Channel has produced hundreds of videos about Waco's history, museums, attractions, city government and its residents. You can watch any of these videos ON DEMAND from a variety of ways including our mobile app (just search WCCC.TV in the Apple Store), on our web channel ([www.wccc.tv](http://www.wccc.tv)), our YouTube channel, Roku, or Apple TV channels whenever you want, on demand.

The WCCC-TV library has over 50 short videos (typically 1-2 minutes each) in a series we call "Waco, A Moment In Time" that describes interesting happenings in Waco's history. All of these videos are available on demand from our website or mobile app at [www.WCCC.TV](http://www.WCCC.TV). Just click on "Shorts" at the top of the screen then search for "Waco, A Moment in Time."

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# CITY LIMITS newsletter



MAKE A  
DIFFERENCE IN  
WACO

## VOLUNTEER BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED

**Q: What can I do to make a difference in my city and community?**

**A: You can become a volunteer member of a board or commission.**

The Waco City Council welcomes applications from Waco residents who are interested in serving their community and working for a common purpose as a member of a board or commission.

Board and commission members are leaders in the community who want to work with others to make Waco great. The role of a board or commission member for the City of Waco entails a high degree of responsibility to keep the public interest as a top priority.

Active participation and regular attendance is vital to the success of the board or commission, your community

and the City of Waco.

If you are interested in volunteering on a board or commission, please complete the online application form on the City of Waco website: [waco-texas.com](http://waco-texas.com). Click on "Quick Links," then Boards and Commissions or call the City Secretary office at 750-5750. Here are some important things to know about a city board or commission:

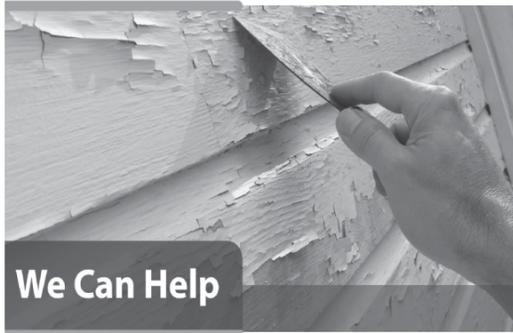
- Board terms are for two years and begin on October 1 of each year.
- Some boards require that you live inside Waco city limits.
- No felony convictions within the last five years; no misdemeanor convictions within the last three years.

- Typically, you can only serve on one board at a time.

A list of Waco's Boards and Commissions are available on the City of Waco website [www.waco-texas.com](http://www.waco-texas.com) under the "Leadership" tab. Clicking on a specific board name will allow you to review various details, including the board's purpose, membership, meeting dates/times, special qualifications and upcoming vacancies.

If you'd like to get involved with the direction of your city, an application is also available on the Boards/Commissions page, or visit the City Secretary's office on the first floor of City Hall. For more information, call (254) 750-5750.

## Lead Is Preventable Program - LIPP



We Can Help

The City of Waco is accepting applications for the new Lead Is Preventable Program. Through this program, clients who qualify could have lead abatement performed on the interior and exterior of their home.

### What is lead poisoning?

Lead poisoning is having high concentrations of lead in your blood. Lead can:

- Cause major health problems, especially in children under the age of 6.
- Damage the brain, nervous system, kidneys, hearing, and coordination.
- Cause behavioral problems, blindness, even death.
- Cause problems in pregnancy and affect a baby's development.

### Where does it come from?

Lead is found in homes built before 1978. The lead hazards that children most often

touch or ingest:  
lead dust  
lead in soil  
loose paint chips  
chewable surfaces containing  
lead-based paint.

### What can I do about it?

Your child should be first tested for the presence of lead in the blood. You can ask your doctor or clinic to perform this test during a regular checkup.

### What do I do if my home does have lead?

Do not attempt to get rid of lead-based paint yourself, as this could further endanger you and your family. If your home was built before 1978 and you have a child under the age of 6, call 254.750.5676 to begin the application process or contact a company that specializes in lead-based paint abatement.

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### Minimum requirements of the LIPP program:

- Home must have been built before 1978
- A child under the age of 6 must live in the home or frequent the home
- Homeowner or tenant must be at 80% of medium income for the area
- Homeowner or tenant must reside in the City of Waco city limits.

For more information, visit [www.Waco-Texas.com](http://www.Waco-Texas.com) or call 254-750-5676.

## WACO CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY

This program is designed to give citizens a working knowledge of the Waco Police Department and raises citizens awareness. It's a 12 week course held on Thursdays from 6 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Class topics include police recruiting, traffic stops, SWAT, police negotiations, K-9, crime scene, crime prevention, dispatch, defensive tactics, active shooter, drug awareness, family violence, crimes against children, and more. Instruction consist of lectures, demonstrations, tours and/or hands-on activities.

Applicants are subject to a criminal background investigation, prior to being accepted into the academy. Graduates of the Citizens Police Academy are eligible to join the Waco Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association. The main goal of this organization is to enhance relations between the community and the police force. Free program!

Next Academy Begins: Thursday, Aug. 27 (classes each Thursday from 6 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. for 12 weeks)  
Location: Waco Police Department, 3115 Pine Ave.

Deadline for applications: Friday, Aug. 14 at 5 p.m. Applicants must be 18 years old or older.

To submit an application, please visit our website at <http://www.waco-texas.com/police/police-citizen-academy.asp>

Must not have a criminal history to participate.

For more information, contact Candice Ortiz at [candiceo@wacotx.gov](mailto:candiceo@wacotx.gov) or 254-750-1764.



## HEALTHY WOMEN & CHILDREN COALITION

August is National Breastfeeding Month! Mothers or mothers to be, did you know that breastfeeding benefits both you and your baby? Breastfeeding provides all the necessary nutrients for your baby, and also helps your baby stay healthy by reducing the risk of many common diseases and infections. Breastfeeding also benefits you by lowering the risk of high blood pressure, type 2 diabetes, ovarian cancer, and breast cancer. In addition to these benefits, breastfeeding can help you return to pre-pregnancy weight, saves money on formula milk costs, and it strengthens the special, emotional connection between you and your child.

If you're having trouble breastfeeding, remember to give it time. Allow your baby to set a pace and explore various positions to

find what is most comfortable for you both. If you wish to breastfeed, it is also important for you to live a healthy lifestyle. Drink lots of water, eat a healthy diet, avoid tobacco and drugs, and make sure to get plenty of rest. Take care of yourself so you and your baby stay healthy.

If you need help breastfeeding, don't be afraid to ask your doctor or family members for tips and support. For more resources and information, visit <http://www.breastmilkcounts.com/> or <https://healthybabieswaco.org/> and make sure to check out the Tools for Women tab.

## LEAGUE REGISTRATIONS

For information on the below leagues, visit [www.teamsideline.com/waco](http://www.teamsideline.com/waco) or call (254) 750-5875.

### Fall Softball Season

Registration: August 17 – September 11  
Entry Fee: \$380, per team  
Late Registration: September 14 – 18  
Late Entry Fee: \$405, per team  
Manager's Meeting: September 24  
League Begins: September 28 (Pre-Season Tournament)  
League Nights: Monday through Thursday  
Location: Riverbend Ballpark

### Fall Adult Men's/ Coed Flag Football 8 on 8

Registration: July 27 – August 28  
Team Registration Fee: \$350  
Late Registration: August 31 – September 4  
Late Team Registration Fee: \$375  
Coach's Meeting: September 9  
League Begins: September 13  
Age: 18+

### Adult Fall Soccer 7V7 League

Registration: August 3 – September 4  
Individual Registration Fee: \$35, per player  
(maximum 15 players, per roster)  
Late Registration: September 7 – 11  
Late Individual Registration Fee: \$45, per player  
Manager's Meeting: September 9  
League Begins: September 14  
Location: Riverbend Ballpark  
Age: 18+

### Adult Kickball League

Registration: August 3 – 28  
Individual Registration Fee: \$35, per player (minimum 12 players, per team)  
Late Registration: August 31 – September 4  
Late Individual Registration Fee: \$45, per player  
Coaches Meeting: September 10  
Age: 18+ (minimum age of 16 years with parental consent)  
League Begins: September 21



## RESIDENTIAL REMINDER

### Residential Brush and Yard Waste

- Twice a Month Residential Curbside Brush Pickup. Only One 4'x4'x4' pile per pickup.
- Up to two green cart collections monthly during green weeks.
- Curbside Brush should not be larger than 3" in diameter.
- Brush to be placed on resident's property not in street.
- Only Brush on piles awaiting collection at curbside.
- No more than 20 paper bags of yard waste permitted. NO plastics.
- Brush piles larger than 4x4x4 feet must be taken to the Cobbs Convenience Center by resident or a commercial hauler.
- Four free trips to the landfill and four free trips to the Cobbs Convenience Center each year with proof of residency.
- No limits on recycling trips to Cobbs Convenience Center with household recyclables only.
- Additional Curbside collection is available during City Council District Cleanup Days announced soon.

### Residential Bulky Waste Collection

- Must be requested by calling Solid Waste Customer Service at (254) 299-2612.
- No more than a pick-up truck load, once per month on your trash day.
- No items with Freon; no scrap tires; no liquids; no paint.

The City of Waco Solid Waste has launched a new waste collection calendar and reminder system. Residents can look up the calendar for blue and green weeks and holidays. Residents can sign up to receive collection day reminders (email, phone call, text message and Twitter). Residents can also use a material look-up tool. You can download the mobile app, Waco Curbside Services, on Apple or Android at no charge.

Thank you for keeping our city clean! Please call (254) 299-2612 with questions or go to [Waco-texas.com](http://Waco-texas.com) Para informacion en Espanol – (254) 299-2612.



This year's Sales Tax Holiday is August 7-9. As in previous years, the law exempts most clothing, footwear, school supplies and backpacks priced less than \$100 from sales and use taxes, which could save shoppers about \$8 on every \$100 they spend.

Most large retailers like Walmart, Amazon, & Target should be included in tax free weekend, That means you can shop online tax free! This may not apply to smaller retailers

who typically don't collect tax in all states, look for special ads and advertisements during the tax free days to know if an online retailer is participating. Shoppers can use layaway plans to take advantage of the sales tax holiday.

