

Mayor's Corner

MARCH 2020

Census 2020 - Be Counted!

The 2020 Census starts in March, and you should receive a letter from the census bureau around the

middle of the month. My hope is that everyone responds and is counted.

Having accurate census numbers helps our city. Many people don't realize this is how the state and federal government determines just how much money the City of Bryant receives for various funding avenues.

If you or your family members are not included in the census count, the city gets less funding. So be sure to make yourself count!



Thank you, Mayor Allen E. Scott



Have you ever wondered why you sometimes see fire trucks from other departments on an emergency call in the City of Bryant? Well that is a great question and here is why. The City of Bryant Fire Department has automatic and mutual aid agreements in place with neighboring fire departments to assist when needed. These agreements are already set up ahead of time so no time is wasted. For example, any structure fire in the City of Bryant automatically gets the assistance of a fire truck and a Chief Officer from the city of Benton Fire Department and from the Collegeville Volunteer Fire Department.

They are dispatched automatically and if after our fire units arrive on scene it is determined they are not needed, the outside responding fire units go back in service to their respective areas. The agreement goes both ways so Bryant Fire units are dispatched to structure fires in their areas as well. You can never have too much help when lives and property are in danger!

Q.P. Gordan Bryant Fire Chief

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Bryant Public Schools serve approximately 9,300 students every day, teaching strong academics, enhancing social and

emotional skills, and equipping them to be successful after graduation. We also offer a variety of additional opportunities to enhance their education.

In our secondary schools, students can participate in band, choir, athletics, and clubs. We have made an effort to provide extracurricular activities at the elementary level-archery, robotics, honor choir, flag team, Destination Imagination and Quiz Bowl, to name a few. Several schools have student broadcast programs, while others have yearbook groups, art clubs, and basketball teams. All of our schools (K-12) offer volunteer opportunities.

There is no substitute for learning that is provided by teachers during the school day, but extracurricular activities can help students explore their interests and feel connected to their peers. Involvement in activities, whether it be sports, clubs, or school-based programs, have a positive

impact. These extracurricular activities teach students lessons that help prepare them to be adult leaders. We're proud to offer these opportunities to even our youngest students.

I encourage you to connect with us on social media to learn more about the extracurricular activities at Bryant. There are many things to love about our schools.

Dr. Karen Walters, Superintendent 📑 💟 🧿 🔼











RECOGNITION FOR FIRST RESPONDERS

In an effort to expand awareness of the role of Public Works in emergency responses, the American Public Works Association (APWA) created the "Public Works First Responder" symbol (see at right). The symbol, which uses colors we all see around construction zones, is meant to draw a connection, and to recognize Public Works professionals federally mandated role as first responders.

After the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, President George W. Bush, Congress, and the Department of Homeland Security recognized the first responders' critical role by issuing the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (HSA) on November

25. 2002, and the Homeland Security Presidential Directive 8 (HSPD-8), National preparedness, on December 17, 2003. The HSA defines "emergency response

PUBLIC WORKS

FIRST RESPONDER

providers" in 6 USC 101 as "Federal, State, and local emergency public safety, law enforcement, emergency response, emergency medical..., and related personnel, agencies, and authorities."

These directives recognized a Public Works response to emergencies and disasters as an absolute necessity and directed the Federal Government to include Public Works alongside all disciplines during prevention, preparedness, response, and recovery operations.

In addition, as an APWA member, the City of Bryant Public Works Department is partnering with this campaign to help raise awareness of the important services Public Works Departments provide, and to recognize our Public Works employees and the tireless commitment they have to serve the community.

PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION & ENGINEERING UPDATES

OPERATIONS MAINTENANCE & REPAIR

WW Capacity Analysis for NW part of City Completed

Determining the future growth capacity of existing wastewater infrastructure

- Lexington Park drainage project 140 ft of reinforced concrete pipe
- · Complete phase III of sidewalk maintenance program
- · Finalization of driveway permit process
- · Justus Loop 42 inch reinforced concrete pipe installation
- · Implementation of yard waste debris pickup program
- Development of a Sign and Signal operation and completed novice traffic control workshop
- · Completed over 1600 work orders for Street Department
- Completion of Richland Park Basin and Lavern Drainage Improvements by increasing drainage capacity and redirecting stormwater to reduce the risk of flooding
- · Completion of Forest Drive drainage improvements
- · Maintain city ditches for drainage and flood prevention
- Completed over 1800 Work Orders for Wastwater/ Water with and 74 After Hour Callouts
- WW Solids handling operation processed 4,610,391 gallons of waste sludge producing 959.45 tons of dewatered material for disposal
- WW Treatment process discharge of over 647,725,00 gallons of effluent released into receiving stream
- Hwy 5 Widening & Utility Relocation project completion
- Completed 90% of evaluation Water/WW repairs in house saving approximately \$200,000
- Inspected and cleaned over 145,000 feet of the WW Collection System Pipeline
- · Completed rehabilitation of over 50 city manways
- Implemented a rootsaw program to regulate problematic WW Collection areas
- · Water/WW Rate Analysis completed
- · Water Tanks Cleaned interior and exterior
- · WW Capacity Analysis for NW part of City Completed





- Water System Distribution Emergency Repair Contract Awarded
- SSES for Basin 3 & 5 completed, Construction Contract Awarded
- · WW Plant Centrifugal Pump Upgrade Contract awarded
- · Lift Station 6 panel and pump upgraded
- · Stilman Ditching Project
- · Shoal Creek Clean Out
- · Midtown SW Collection System Cleaned
- Little Stoneybrook SW Basin Cleaned, Removed over 50 truckloads of sediment
- · Ashley Park Demolition Completed
- · Pavement Analysis Completed
- · Lift Station Transducers Installed for monitoring
- · Job Description Updates

ENGINEERING PROJECTS Willdolo/Willton

Hilldale/Hilltop Intersection

Construction is scheduled to begin May of 2020

- · Carrywood/Raintree SW
- · Oak Glenn SW
- Hidden Creek SW
- · Springhill Rd Left Turn Lane
- · Hilldale/Hilltop Intersection Improvements/Roundabout
- Bryant Parkway Project 2
- · Chapel Ridge SW
- · Oak Meadows SW
- Shobe Road Force Main Relocation
- · Boone Road Improvement





PROJECT ENGINEERING COMPLETED

Jon Street SW Drainage

Over 3 million dollars of stormwater engineering projected completed impacting MULTIPLE neighborhoods

- · Springhill/Hilltop Drainage/Roadway Improvement
- Timbercreek Drainage Replacement
- · NW 3rd & Elm Sidewalks
- · Bridgeport SW Drainage replacement
- · Henson Place Drainage Replacement
- · Big Stoneybrook SW Drainage
- · Dogwood/Bane SW Drainage
- · Hwy 183 & Hill Farm Signalization
- Target/Alcoa Exchange
- · Bryant Parkway Project 1
- · Jon Street SW Drainage
- · WW Plant Centrifugal Pump Upgrade

CONSTRUCTION COMPLETED

Timbercreek Drainage Replacement

Emergency replacement of a failed culvert system

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