

WOODWAY

TEXAS



November/December 2025



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MAYOR'S MINUTE

A LETTER FROM MAYOR QOURZAL

Dear Woodway,

As the holidays approach, I'm reminded of how blessed we are to live in such a caring and generous community! Every year always brings opportunities to reflect, give thanks, and celebrate what truly matters, but this year, I am especially thankful for the spirit of community that defines Woodway.

That spirit was on full display this summer when so many of you stepped up to help during the Hill Country Floods. From organizing donations to volunteering your time and resources, you showed what it looks like to bless those in need. It was a beautiful reminder that the heart of Woodway shines brightest when we come together to serve others.

As we gather for Thanksgiving, celebrate Christmas, and look ahead to the New Year, I hope you take time to rest, reconnect, and enjoy the company of loved ones. I pray this season brings peace to your homes, joy to your hearts, and bright hope for tomorrow.

From the Qourzal family to yours, Merry Christmas, Happy Thanksgiving, and best wishes for a bright and blessed 2026!

Mayor Amine Qourzal



Woodway Public Safety Department Safety Tips



As winter arrives and the days get shorter, the danger increases for those who walk, run, bicycle, or wait for a school bus in the early morning darkness. Please follow these tips to stay safe.

WINTER PEDESTRIAN SAFETY REMINDERS



- Wear light-colored or reflective clothing and patches.



- Carry a flashlight or wear a headlamp to light the path ahead and make yourself more visible to drivers.



- Be aware of your surroundings and avoid distractions. Do not use your phone or wear headphones in a way that prevents you from hearing or seeing what is going on around you, including approaching cars and trip or slip hazards.



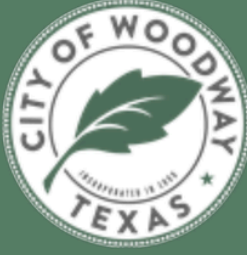
- Pay attention to traffic. Stay on marked pedestrian or bike lanes, or walk facing the direction of traffic and make sure drivers see you before crossing streets. Never assume a driver has seen you or will yield the right-of-way.





Animals get cold too! It is important to keep your pets safe, and to remember that other creatures may see your home or vehicle as a place to get out of the cold weather. During the chilly days, keep these safety tips in mind:

- **Protect pets:** Bring outdoor pets inside during freezing temperatures. If they must be outside, provide insulated, dry shelter with straw bedding (blankets can get wet and freeze) and plenty of fresh, unfrozen water.
- **Check vehicles:** Before starting your car, bang loudly on the hood to scare away any stray cats or other small animals seeking warmth near the engine.
- **Use caution with poisons:** The use of poison increases in winter as rodents invade homes. If used, ensure all bait and poison is inaccessible to pets and children.
- **Seek professional help:** If you notice signs of an existing infestation (droppings, scratching noises, damage), contact a professional wildlife control service for safe and humane removal and prevention.



City Council Meetings
Remaining 2025 Schedule
(November - December)

November 10th
(two meetings)
5:30 and 5:45 p.m.

December 8th
(two meetings)
5:30 and 5:45 p.m.

STAFF HIGHLIGHT

BRENDA AVILES
CUSTODIAN
Since July 2023

LUIS SANCHEZ
CUSTODIAN
Since September 2024




There are people across our great country who work tirelessly, and often unnoticed, to provide others with clean places to play, learn, worship, and work. Whether called custodians, janitors, or cleaning crews, they are invaluable silent partners in the efficiency and success of any organization. Scientific study has demonstrated a direct correlation between cleanliness and productivity levels, as a clean and clutter-free workspace enhances concentration, boosts morale, and promotes employee health, leading to fewer sick days.

At Woodway, Brenda Aviles and Luis Sanchez maintain six city buildings and perform cleanup at a dozen or more after-hours events throughout the year. We are so grateful for the work they do to allow our staff and citizens facilities that we can be proud of! Thank you, Brenda and Luis!





City Office Closures

This November and December, amid the hustle and bustle, our staff would like to wish you a holiday season filled with family, love, laughter, and light!

Please remember that your second trash pickup will be delayed by one day during the weeks of Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day.

CITY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED
IN OBSERVANCE OF
Veterans Day
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2025



"Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same."
- Ronald Reagan

TRASH & RECYCLING SERVICES ARE NOT AFFECTED BY THIS CLOSURE

HAPPY **THANKSGIVING**



CITY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED
THURSDAY & FRIDAY
NOVEMBER 27TH & 28TH
SECOND TRASH PICKUP WILL BE
DELAYED BY ONE DAY

"Wear gratitude like a cloak, and it will feed every corner of your life."
-Rumi




CLOSED FOR
Christmas
WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY
DECEMBER 24TH & 25TH

SECOND TRASH PICKUP WILL BE DELAYED BY ONE DAY



Happy New Year
2026



"We will open the book. Its pages are blank. We are going to put words on them ourselves. The book is called Opportunity and its first chapter is New Year's Day."
Edith Lovejoy Pierce

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Reminder About Woodway 311 App

Were you aware that Woodway has an app? *Woodway 311* is a non-emergency service portal that provides Woodway citizens a way to stay up to date on severe weather events, city-wide street & sewer projects. Citizens can also report high weeds, street issues, stray animals, junk cars, and more.



Opportunities for Holiday Giving

HELP FEED THE HUNGRY

Please Help

Central Texans with the products people need most:

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD PRODUCTS

- Canned Meats
 - Tuna - Chili
 - Stew - Chicken
- Canned Vegetables
- Cereals
- Peanut Butter
- Dry Beans
- Rice
- Pasta/Sauces

- Flour
- Sugar
- Corn Meal

Watch KWTX News 10 or visit www.kwtx.com/FoodForFamilies to donate or locate a collection site near you.



November 21, 2025

The Annual Food for Families Drive Returns!

Each year, the love and generosity in this community is on full display during the annual Food for Families food drive, and we know that this year will be no different.

Shelf-stable food items, such as canned goods, peanut butter, rice, pasta, and sauces, may be placed in drop boxes available at Public Safety, City Hall, Woodway Family Center, Community Services, and the Pavilion.

The last day to bring in items will be Friday, November 21st. After the drive has concluded, our Public Safety Department will collect the food and deliver it to the primary collection site.

Thank you to everyone for participating in this important tradition!

It is the mission of Food For Families to help feed people in need in Central Texas. You can help by donating online at www.kwtx.com/foodforfamilies or by bringing non-perishable food items to the collection site nearest you on Friday, November 21st, 2025. All donations will go to people in need who live in the community where the donation was made.



Other opportunities for giving include:



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
of the
TEXAS HILL COUNTRY



<https://www.communityfoundation.net/>



<https://kerrvillepetsalive.org/>



DOING THE MOST GOOD

The Texas Hill Country still needs help this holiday season, so we are keeping our Salvation Army fundraiser open!



Scan this QR code or visit:
<https://give.salvationarmy.usa.org/thewoodwayway>

All donations go directly to the Salvation Army in flood-affected areas.

Woodway Family Center: Upcoming Program Highlights

TOYS FOR TOTS
pickleball tournament
PLAY FOR A CAUSE | 18+

DECEMBER 6TH

-  **Division 1:** 9 AM – 11:30 AM
(Recreational – Beginner)
-  **Division 2:** 12 PM – 3 PM
(Competitive – 3.5 & Up)
-  **Division 3:** 3 PM – 5 PM
(Mixed Doubles)

Registration: In person
by Nov. 10th or until full

Fees: \$35 or \$20 + one
unwrapped toy

Serve, smash, and give back!

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It's pickleball, only better!

The Toys for Tots Pickleball Tournament on Saturday, December 6th is a chance to play the game you love and help brighten a child's holiday!

Players 18 and up can register in person at the Woodway Family Center through November 10th or until the divisions are full.

The fee to play is \$35 or \$20 and one unwrapped toy.

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 **55 & BETTER**

Thanks Giving
POTLUCK

SIGN UP IN PERSON!

Nov 26th
11 AM - 1 PM



 




Christmas Potluck

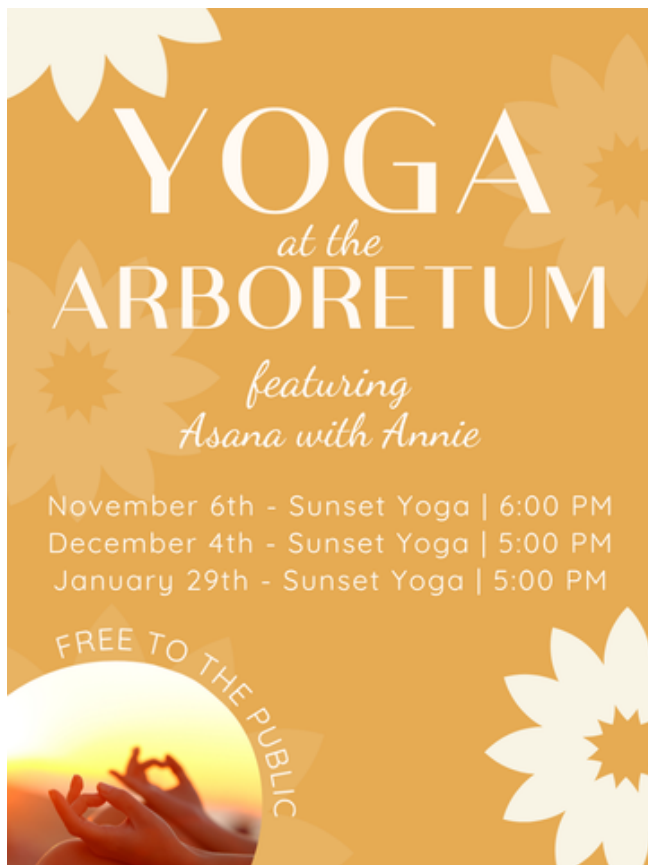
Sign up in person!
55 & Better

19th
DECEMBER | **11 AM – 1 PM**



Fall Festivities and Fun with Discover Woodway!



YOGA
at the
ARBORETUM

featuring
Asana with Annie

November 6th - Sunset Yoga | 6:00 PM
December 4th - Sunset Yoga | 5:00 PM
January 29th - Sunset Yoga | 5:00 PM

FREE TO THE PUBLIC

The poster features a warm orange background with stylized white flower silhouettes. At the bottom left, there is a circular inset showing hands in a yoga mudra against a sunset background.



VETERANS
Breakfast

★★★★★ 6 NOV 2025 ★★★★★

COMPLIMENTARY | BEGINS AT 9 AM

PAVILION AT THE ARBORETUM | 1 PAVILION WAY

RESERVE YOUR SEAT AT
DISCOVERWOODWAY.COM

The poster has a patriotic theme with a blue background and red and white stripes. It features a stylized red and white striped awning graphic. The text is in a mix of bold sans-serif and red script fonts.



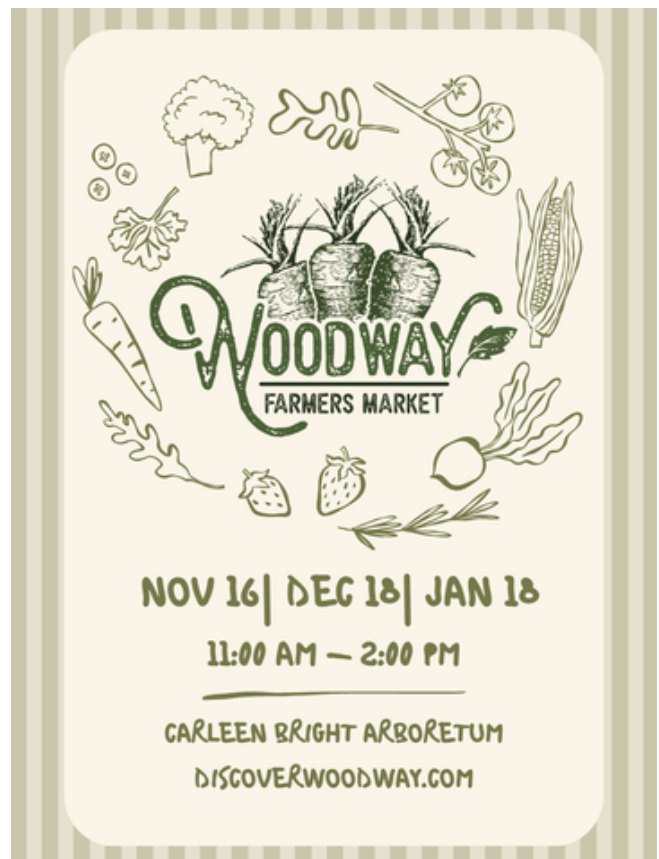
GIRLS NIGHT AT
THE ARBORETUM

KNIT BLANKETS
WITH HAMMER & STAIN

NOVEMBER 14TH
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

MORE INFO AT DISCOVERWOODWAY.COM

The poster has a pink background with a subtle geometric pattern. It features a central illustration of two hands knitting a pink blanket, enclosed in a dashed heart shape. The text is in various shades of pink and white.



WOODWAY
FARMERS MARKET

NOV 16 | DEC 18 | JAN 18

11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

CARLEEN BRIGHT ARBORETUM
DISCOVERWOODWAY.COM

The poster has a light beige background with a green and brown striped border. It features a central illustration of various farm products like carrots, broccoli, and corn, arranged around the 'WOODWAY FARMERS MARKET' logo. The text is in a green, hand-drawn style font.

More Fall Festivities and Fun with Discover Woodway!



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND | 9AM-12PM

CARLEEN BRIGHT ARBORETUM & WOODWAY FAMILY CENTER FIELDS

DISCOVERWOODWAY.COM



Woodway Staff Anniversaries

Happy
WOODWAY
Anniversary!

November

STAFF ACCOUNTANT
TRACY BECKER
18 YEARS

FAMILY CENTER
JAMIE KENT
9 YEARS

PUBLIC SAFETY
CHAD RIVAS
9 YEARS

PUBLIC SAFETY
JOSHUA HILLIARD
6 YEARS

PUBLIC SAFETY
KYLE MCLEOD
2 YEARS

HUMAN RESOURCES
EVIE LOPEZ
2 YEARS

PUBLIC SAFETY
DALTON MARTIN
1 YEAR

PUBLIC SAFETY
RANDI WINGET
1 YEAR

Happy
WOODWAY
Anniversary!

December

PUBLIC WORKS
RODNEY DIETERICH
20 YEARS

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
KEITH LOWREY
13 YEARS

PUBLIC SAFETY
DYLAN ECKERT
12 YEARS

METER READER
RUSSELL SONES
12 YEARS

UTILITY BILLING
KATRINA BARRETT
8 YEARS

PUBLIC SAFETY
SEAN STEPHENS
7 YEARS

PUBLIC SAFETY
TYLER WEBB
6 YEARS

PAVILION AT CBA
LYNSIE GOMEZ
4 YEARS

HONORING OUR STAFF FOR YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE

Yard of the Month Winners



**YARD OF THE MONTH
WINNERS**

September 2025

THE LONG FAMILY

**YARD OF THE MONTH
NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN!**

If you notice an impressive yard that deserves recognition,
City Ordinance Officer Randi Winget wants to hear from you!

Please email nominations to:
RWINGET@WOODWAYTEXAS.GOV