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**IT TAKES  
A VILLAGE**



PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Welcome Spring...goodbye Winter! I hope everyone made it through our freeze with a minimal amount of damage. I am still staring at a hole in my living room ceiling. I was not impressed with my temporary “waterfall feature” (aka broken pipe).

With the Spring and vaccines arriving, the SCA is excited to start thinking about the outdoors again. Our Centerpoint Trail is moving quickly through the planning stages, mosquito spraying will start up again soon, and another free Shred Day is planned for May. These are a few of the things that help our community throughout the year, but it is the year-round work of the volunteers and office staff with enforcement of our mandatory deed restrictions (minimum quality standards) that really makes Sharpstown a place where people desire to live and raise their families.

To that end, we have been working very hard on updating our 65-year-old deed restrictions with modern language and to bring Sharpstown under the legal protections of Chapter 209 (Texas Residential Property Owners Protection Act). These protections, along with a consistent budget and lower annual dues make this a great thing for all of us as homeowners. Coordinating the legal documents of 9 sections within Sharpstown has been a long process, but we are in final review and do plan to roll this out for your approval soon.



Matt Wine, President

**GOOD NEIGHBOR RULE #5**

SHARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF REPAIRING/REPLACING A FENCE WITH YOUR NEIGHBOR.

TRAVELING SCAN

Do You Like to Travel? We do too! But while we’re all staying closer to home these days, we still want to see your SCAN’s adventures. Send us a photo of your traveling SCAN shopping for groceries, getting healthy outdoor exercise, or just chillaxing at home.



This little guy has been so lonely! He anxiously awaits travelers to his ship again. Send us a photo of you and your SCAN on your travels....

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ON THE COVER

IT TAKES A VILLAGE

The Village of Sharpstown is made up of wonderful partners like HBU, the SCA, our schools like Ed White and Neff Elementary, parks, District J, the Houston Tool Bank and volunteers from the neighborhood. See what was done one Saturday morning!

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## 2021 Membership Invoice

*Take Action - Support a Proud Sharpstown*

By March the SCA has typically received most of the dues payments for the year. In years past we have maintained about 24% participation, meaning out of 6680 homes we would receive dues from about 1600. 2020 saw this reduced to 21% or 1382 paying members. Received to date for 2021 are 1082 member payments - putting the paying members at 16%. This is not good.

The reduction in dues has resulted in the loss of one SEAL officer for the 2021 patrol. If our numbers don't increase, we may have to cancel our HPD supplemental patrol.

For those of you still debating whether \$250 is something you can spare for the upkeep and safety of Sharpstown, I ask you to please send it in today. The SCA puts your money to good use maintaining the safety and quality of life where we live.

### BENEFITS OF DUES PAYING MEMBERS:

Notary Service

4th Of July  
Celebration  
& Other Events

Security Alarm  
Response by SEAL

Vacation Watch  
by SEAL

Door Prize Drawing  
at Meetings

### WHERE YOUR MONEY GOES



Mosquito Spraying  
beginning April 1st  
thru Oct 31st



SCAN  
(Sharpstown Civic  
Association  
News)



Architectural  
changes  
enforcement



SEAL Security  
Patrol



Community  
events,  
Informative  
Website and  
Facebook page



Monthly  
community  
meetings



Deed violation  
enforcement  
including Legal  
pursuit when  
necessary



Thank you for paying your  
2021 Dues. You can pay online  
at [SharpstownCivic.Org](http://SharpstownCivic.Org)

## Sharpstown has over 25% Investor Owned homes for Lease/Rent

Sharpstown Investor Owners:

Your property is an investment and you have unique challenges since you do not live in your home. With your dues support the SCA is able to help you protect your investment. We invite you to take advantage of this offer.

**Invest in your investment by paying your dues today** – HOA dues on investment properties may be tax deductible

**SEAL Security Patrol** – provides routine drive-by and vacancy watch upon request. A SEAL sign is provided for placement at your front door.

**The SCAN Magazine** – mailed bimonthly to your tenant keeping them informed of trash pick schedules and other community news.

**Deed Restriction and Architectural Enforcement Actions** – that notify you when problems or alterations are occurring at your property.

**Monthly Community Meetings**

**Community activities that engage your tenants and add value to your investment**

**Mosquito Spraying** – Weekly spraying April 1 – Oct 31

**Nicer Sharpstown homes = Better Sharpstown = Better tenants and higher rents**

Check out the website [Sharpstowncivic.org](http://Sharpstowncivic.org) and our Facebook page for a complete list of member benefits

### YOU MAY JOIN OR RENEW ONLINE AT [SHARPSTOWNCIVIC.ORG](http://SHARPSTOWNCIVIC.ORG)

Or Please Return This Form with Your Payment – Thankyou!

Membership Dues \_\_\_\_\_ Security \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_  
\$80.00 + \$170.00 = \$250.00

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ VISA \_\_ MASTERCARD \_\_ DISCOVER \_\_ EXP DATE \_\_\_\_\_ CVC \_\_\_\_\_

CREDIT CARD # \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

NAME(s) \_\_\_\_\_ ST ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

SECONDARY EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

One payment of \$250 is requested. Please contact the SCA office if other payment arrangements are needed.






SCA 2021 CRIME TOTALS - 18% DOWN OVER 2020								
MONTH	ROBBERY	BURGLARY	THEFT	PROPERTY	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	RAPE	MURDER	TOTAL CRIMES
JANUARY 2021	2	4	17	4	0	0	0	27
FEBRUARY 2021	1	1	3	1	3	0	0	9
2021 TOTAL	3	5	20	5	3	0	0	36
JANUARY 2020	3	1	13	3	1	0	0	21
FEBRUARY 2020	4	5	6	5	3	0	0	23
2020 TOTAL	7	6	19	8	4	0	0	44

As Sharpstown ventures out of our homes more and more I suspect the bad guys will as well. 2020 saw crime in Sharpstown lower than it has been in many years. We can help to keep it that way by being vigilant in the areas we know make us vulnerable:

- Keep personal items out of your vehicles.
- Light up your porches and driveways at night.
- Carefully watch your surroundings as you leave and return home.
- Report anything suspicious to SEAL and, if necessary, HPD.



DEFINITIONS OF CRIME TYPES

**Robbery** — the taking of money or goods in the possession of another, from his or her person or immediate presence, by force or intimidation.

**Burglary** — (breaking and entering) an unlawful entry into a building for the purposes of committing an offence. Usually that offence is theft.

**Theft** — the act of stealing; the wrongful taking and carrying away of the personal goods or property of another; larceny. Examples include ransacking unlocked cars, taking property out of open garage doors, taking a purse off a front seat of an unlocked car, taking a mower out of the back of a pickup truck.

**Aggravated Assault** — an attempt to cause serious bodily injury purposely.

**Property Crime** — destruction, damage, vandalism

**Rape** — unlawful sexual activity carried out against the will of a male, female, or person under age, or incapable of consent.

**GOOD NEIGHBOR RULE #21**

EVEN IF YOU DON'T USE YOUR FRONT DOOR, CHECK TO SEE THAT IT IS CLEAN AND INVITING.



SCA ADOPTS SECURITY CAMERA POLICY

Following acquisition of two pole-mounted security cameras, the SCA adopted a policy governing access to video data from the cameras. The cameras are designed to capture vehicle license plates, information which could be shared with law enforcement officials in event of criminal activity. The policy was drawn up to protect the privacy of area residents, with strict protocols for data access and utilization. The Security Camera Policy has been filed for record with Harris County and is available on the SCA website at SharpstownCivic.org under the Safety tab.

VACATION WATCH

Did you know that one important service provided by S.E.A.L. Security is a complimentary vacation watch for your home? Just download and complete the form on our website then call the dedicated Sharpstown S.E.A.L. hotline at 713-338-2266. An officer will check on your home daily to help make this year’s vacation a relaxing getaway.



**It is still a crime to park on your grass in Sharpstown – Please Don't.**



STORM DRAIN PROBLEMS

If you have a storm drain in front of your house, please check to see if it has any debris. It doesn’t matter whether it is leaves, pine needles, or trash--pick it up and throw it away. Don’t let it flow into the storm drain and become part of a bigger problem.



SEAL SIGHTINGS?

We sometimes see someone posting that “I Never See A SEAL Car Come By My House!” Unless you work from home and face a window we can understand how that could happen. However, if you call the SCA office and tell Scott where you live, he can show you a GPS report on any given day of where they actually patrolled and when. We want you to put any fears you might have out of your mind. SEAL is patrolling ALL of Sharpstown DAILY.

SAFETY MEASURES BY SEAL

I saw SEAL taking photos of houses. Are they spying on us? Are they enforcing our deed restrictions?

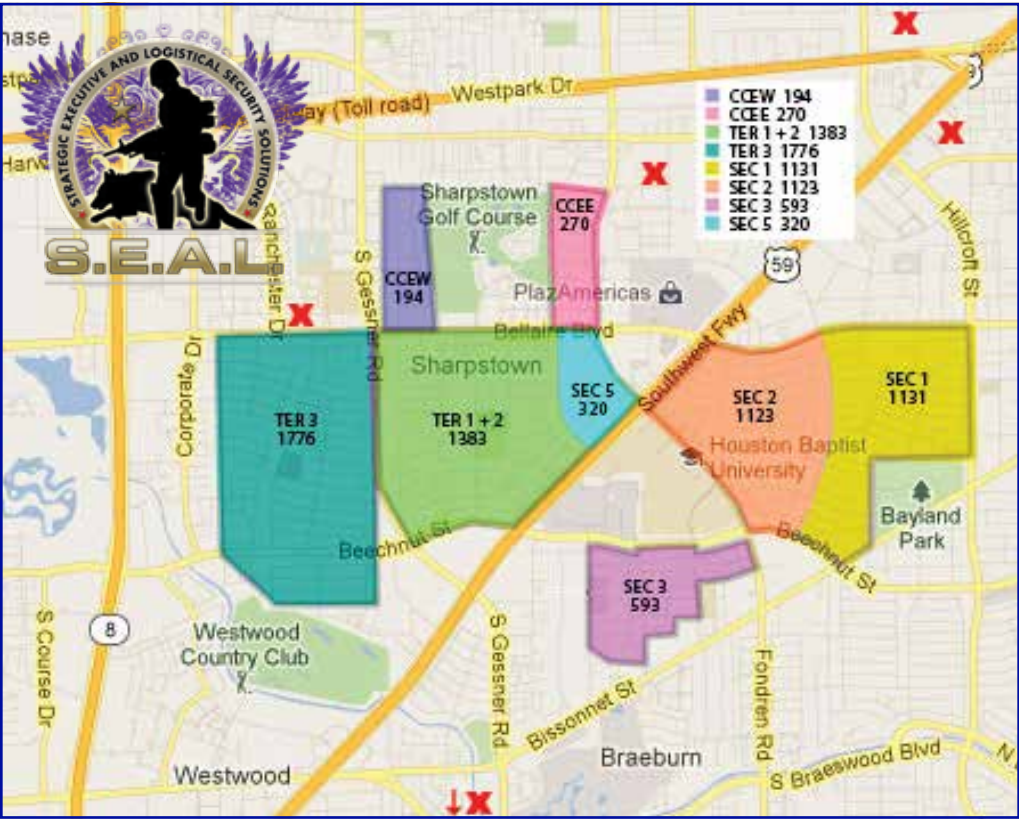
The answers are “no” and “no.”

No one likes the idea of being watched. Especially the criminals that want to upend our sense of safety and security. SEAL is a service provided to keep watch for all of us when things are amiss or dangerous. They assist the SCA with security issues across the neighborhood.

An issue they assist with is materials and equipment security. When a construction project begins materials will be dropped off and sometimes equipment too. These are expensive to lose. The SCA has asked SEAL to take photos of these types of drop offs so that there is a record of when this is present. It gives them a record to make sure no one is walking off with the materials or equipment. Those photos are a part of the daily report that goes to the SCA.

The job of enforcing deed restrictions rests with the SCA only. SEAL is not responsible for that task. If you flag them down to talk with them about a deed restriction issue they will not have the answers you need. But they welcome conversations about what you have seen going on or even a “thank you” for what they are doing for our community. They can do a better job of protecting us when they know us personally.

Sometimes the photos in the daily report reveal construction taking place where the homeowner has not yet filed an application for architectural approval for exterior changes. This will result in an attempt to reach out to the homeowner by the SCA office to let them know how to file the application. SEAL is not the enforcement mechanism for the SCA.



LOOKING FOR HPD IN ALL THE RIGHT PLACES

Need a copy of an accident report? Want to talk to an officer about a problem in your area? You see something suspicious and want to let law enforcement know about it? In Sharpstown, you won’t have to go very far. Our community is served by two HPD substations, South Gessner and Midwest, and two HPD storefronts, Gulfton and Ranchester. The officers located at these facilities are there to help you in any way they can, so give them a call or a visit if you need assistance.

<b>South Gessner Substation</b> 8605 Westplace Dr.	24 hours daily 832-394-4700	<b>Gulfton Storefront</b> 6227 Southwest Fwy.	8-4 Mon-Fri 832-394-2660
<b>Midwest Substation</b> 7277 Regency Square	24 hours daily 832-394-1200	<b>Ranchester Storefront</b> 9160 Bellaire, Ste. F	8-Noon M-W-F 832-394-2780

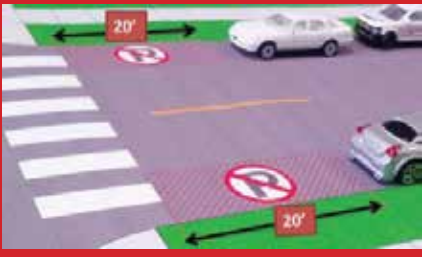


# PARKING LAWS

THESE ARE ACTUAL LAWS AND  
WILL RESULT IN REAL FINES



PARK AT LEAST  
**15 FEET**  
FROM A  
FIRE HYDRANT



PARK AT LEAST  
**20 FEET**  
FROM AN  
INTERSECTION



PARK AT LEAST  
**30 FEET**  
FROM A  
STOP SIGN OR  
TRAFFIC SIGNAL

DO NOT  
BLOCK THE  
**SIDEWALK**  
WHEN  
PARKING



DO NOT  
BLOCK A  
**DRIVEWAY**  
WHEN  
PARKING



PARK WITH  
THE NATURAL  
**FLOW**  
OF TRAFFIC



## REMODELING YOUR HOME?

Adding On? Do you know your deed restrictions? Did you know that the Sharpstown Civic Association can look over your proposed plans for free before you start construction? We want to avoid deed restriction violations before they happen. Did you know that we have a 25 foot rear setback for the main structure? Did you know that there is a minimum percentage of brick that must be on your home? Did you know that you can't build in front of your building line? We want to help you! We want you to find out about possible violations before it costs you money and time. Several homeowners in the past couple years have had to tear down and/or modify their construction due to deed restriction violations. The City of Houston does not review deed restrictions when issuing permits. They require a signed affidavit acknowledging that the plans comply with your deed restrictions. This holds YOU, the homeowner, accountable for knowing and complying with your deed restrictions. We are here to help you. Call 713-789-2311 and explain what you want to do and Scott will help you navigate the process. All deed restrictions are available online at Sharpstown Civic.org

## HOUSE NUMBERS EASILY READ?

Take a look at your house numbers today. Do you have house numbers on your house and are the numbers readily visible from the street? Did you know that the city requires EVERY home to have a visible house number, so that emergency vehicles can respond quickly to the correct address. A house number painted on the curb is helpful, but it can be obscured by a parked car. The ordinance says a house number should be placed either on the primary door or within 18 inches from that door. If your house was built before 1979, then the numbers have to be at least 2" tall. If your house was built between 1979 and 2010, then the numbers have to be at least 3" tall. If your house was built after January 2010, then the numbers should be at least 4" tall.



**GOOD NEIGHBOR RULE #29**  
KEEP YOUR TRASH AND  
RECYCLE BINS OUT  
OF SIGHT, EXCEPT ON  
COLLECTION DAYS.



## ARCHITECTURAL FEE SCHEDULE UPDATED

The SCA Board approved an update to the fees charged for review of Architectural Change Requests. The new schedule is expanded to show some of the more commonly received requests, and to more adequately account for the costs involved in plan review.

The new fee schedule, which took effect August 1, 2019, can also be found on the SCA website Sharpstowncivic.org

•Paint/Siding	\$25.00
•Roof	\$25.00
•Fence	\$25.00
•Windows	\$25.00
•Gutters	\$25.00
•Garage Doors	\$25.00
•Garage Conversion	\$50.00
•Driveway Alterations	\$100.00
•Carport	\$100.00
•Outbuilding/Shed	\$50.00
•Patio / Patio Roof	\$50.00
•Pool	\$100.00
•Addition to House	\$250.00
•Generators/Solar Panels	\$25.00

## YES, IT'S A DEED RESTRICTION VIOLATION TO:

- Fail to mow and edge your yard and keep your shrubs trimmed
- Leave your Christmas lights up past January 31
- Park in your yard
- Make any exterior change on your property without PRIOR architectural approval
- Rent any part of your home to anyone else

¡ES VERDAD! LAS ESCRITURAS DE  
VIVIENDAS PONEN RESTRICCIONES  
EN LAS ACCIONES DE TODOS LOS  
RESIDENTES, PARA MANTENER EL VALOR  
DE LAS PROPIEDADES Y LA SEGURIDAD.

- Hay que mantener el césped cortado a nivel correcta, y cortarle que no invade en la banqueta o la entrada. Hay que recoger el pasto cortado y mantener los arbustos cortados y en buena condición.
- Hay que quitar las luces de Navidad antes de la fecha límite del 31 de enero.
- Es prohibido estacionar vehículos sobre el césped.
- No se puede cambiar la pintura o la estructura del exterior de la casa sin primero obtener el permiso del comité de arquitectura.
- Es prohibido alquilar un cuarto de la casa.

## DEED RESTRICTIONS

### MOSQUITO PREVENTION

Weekly mosquito spraying begins April 1st. This happens after dusk and will continue thru September. You can help by eliminating standing water around your yards where the critters live.



### A FRIENDLY REMINDER:



**PLEASE TAKE DOWN YOUR  
HOLIDAY DECORATIONS!**



### DEED RESTRICTIONS UPDATE



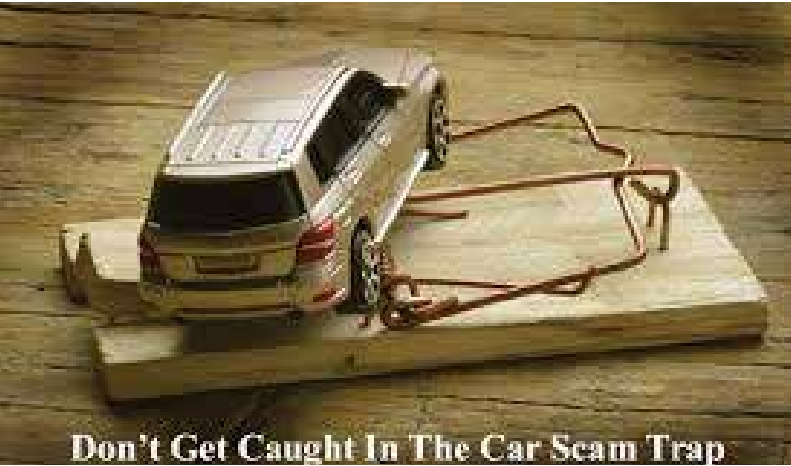
Many residents have been asking about the DR update and when we will be taking signatures for approval. Covid has affected this process as well, but the Board is working hard on some final adjustments to the language and we plan on presenting to the residents for approval this Spring.

- The proposed update (and several translations) will be available on our website soon.
- The proposed annual dues are lower than the current dues many of you already pay.
- The Board has REMOVED foreclosure as an option for non-payment of assessments.
- Approval of this update will provide for increased safety and better tools to address the run-down properties in Sharpstown.



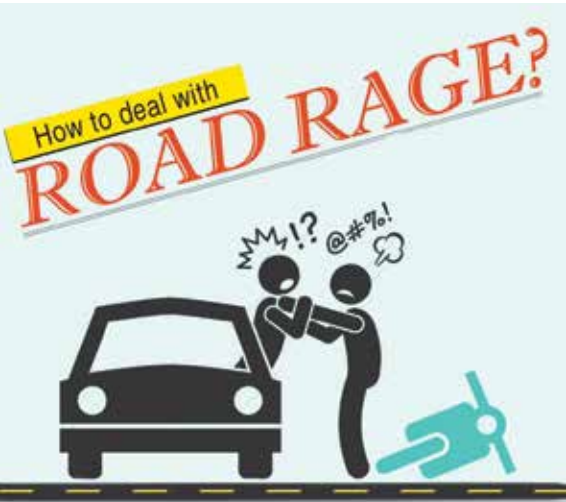
SAFELY BUYING A CAR

Buying a car online. What you need to know/do. New technology and social media have made buying and selling vehicles much easier for buyers and the sellers alike. This ease has unfortunately equally made it easier for crooks to take advantage of people by selling them stolen cars. The Auto Theft Crime Task Force wants to remind you of a few dos and don'ts when purchasing a vehicle so you don't end up a victim of a scam.



The biggest red flag we've heard from victims is that the seller needed to move the meeting place to a less secure place or move the time later into the evening due to work or other excuses. The best advice our investigators have given people is to listen to your gut feeling. We've heard "I knew something was wrong" or "I knew that price was too good" too many times. If you feel something is not right about the deal, it's best to walk away. Criminals today are changing and finding it easier to target victims using technology for their gain. With awareness and education we can stay one step ahead of them.

- Never purchase from someone who doesn't have the title.
- It is against the law to sell a vehicle without one.
- Check the name on the title and compare it to the seller's ID. Are they the same?
- Check the VIN number on the vehicle. Is it the same as listed on the title?
- Always meet in a safe area like the lobby of your bank for any cash transactions.
- Never meet at night
- You should never have to give a deposit online to hold a car you are interested in.
- Never use online cash apps of any kind for the transaction.
- Always check the keys. Does the seller have both sets?
- Physically check to see that those keys work in the door locks and the tailgate on a truck. \*Check that the key fob unlocks the doors.
- Make sure the person selling the car (the titled owner) is the one you are meeting for the transaction and not someone who claims to be representing them.
- Watch for last minute changes to who you will be meeting. Here are a few "Red Flags" when it comes time to making the deal
- Is the price too good to be true? In Auto Theft Investigations we've heard too many times, the regret "I thought that price was too good to be true".
- Seller forgot to mention the vehicle has a "Salvage" title.
- Ask how long they have owned the vehicle and why they are selling it.
- Does the story make sense or do the details keep changing?



1. Most road ragers are usually dealing with some sort of emotional crisis, so if you yourself are dealing with an unfortunate life event (job loss, death in family, overall stress) try to avoid getting behind the wheel right away. Give yourself some time to defuse before driving.
2. Always check your blind spots and use your signals when you change lanes so you don't turn anyone else into a road rager. Checking all the views around your vehicle and being a considerate driver should help with preventing road rage.
3. If it's rush hour or you find yourself in a traffic jam due to an accident, listen to music and just come to terms with the fact that you're going to be late. Being inconsiderate or speeding won't change that.
4. Avoid mad motorists if at all possible. If a driver gives you an obscene gesture or says something unkind towards you, ignore it. Don't fight fire with fire.
5. Honk your horn only if you really have to and only for defensive driving purposes. Don't use your horn if you're simply annoyed because you're sitting in traffic.
6. Don't be afraid to report aggressive drivers to the authorities. You could save a life and prevent road rage from causing a bigger issue.
7. If an aggressive driver starts following you, don't go home. Call the police and drive to the nearest police station. You don't want to become the victim of a road rage attack.

STAY TUNED TO THE SCA WEBSITE SHARPSTOWNCIVIC.ORG, THE SCA FACEBOOK PAGE, AND SUBSCRIBE TO SCA EMAIL AT [HTTPS://SHARPSTOWNCIVIC.ORG/REGISTER-FOR-UPDATES/](https://sharpstowncivic.org/register-for-updates/) FOR SCHEDULE UPDATES, VIDEO MESSAGES FROM SCA DIRECTORS, AND OTHER COMMUNITY NEWS.

# SHARPSTOWN TRAIL UPDATE

11/19/2020

**TRAIL ON UTILITY EASEMENT:**  
**SEGMENT 2 (Phase 1) = 1.8 miles**  
**Beechnut St. to Sands Point Dr.**

- Design and approvals = First Quarter of 2021
- Construction start estimate = Late Spring 2021

**SEGMENT 1 and 3 =**  
Schedule to be determined

## SHARPSTOWN TRAIL – PHASE 1 PLAN

### BEECHNUT STREET TO SANDS POINT DRIVE

**BEECHNUT STREET**

**SOUTH GESSNER CROSSING –**  
Hawk signal planned (example shown)

**BELLAIRE CROSSING –**  
Crossing at intersection. Coordinating with City of Houston safety project.

**SANDS POINT DR.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**  
**CONTACT LISA GRAIFF –**  
[lisag@houstonparksboard.org](mailto:lisag@houstonparksboard.org)

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## DAY OF SERVICE WITH HBU AND SHARPSTOWN

In early February, our community was fortunate to host some hard-working Huskies! The HBU Athletics Department coordinated volunteers from their football and softball teams to spend the day cleaning up Sharpstown. We had over 130 students, coaches, and community volunteers at 15 work sites throughout Sharpstown. Heavy trash was hauled curbside for several residents, abandoned properties and parks were cleaned up, trees were planted, and several schools had their gardens prepared for classes.

Thank you to the HBU staff, Councilmember Pollard and his staff, Tony Tuckwiller and Sharpstown Parks Alliance, the Liberty Office Products truck and the SCA Board for coordinating all the teams and projects. And most importantly, thank you to the students for giving up a Saturday to help make their surrounding community a little better.





WHO REPRESENTS SHARPSTOWN?

Houston City Council		State Senator	US Senator	US Senator
				
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State Representative		US Representative		
SEC 1	Rep. Gene Wu District 137	<div>STATE REPRESENTATIVES</div>  		
	Rep. Gene Wu District 137			
SEC 2	Rep. Gene Wu District 137	<div>US REPRESENTATIVES</div>  		
SEC 3	Rep. Shawn Thierry District 146			
SEC 5	Rep. Gene Wu District 137	<div>At-Large City Council</div>     		
Terrace 1 & 2	Rep. Gene Wu District 137			
Terrace 3	Rep. Shawn Thierry District 146			
Estates	Rep. Gene Wu District 137			

GOT PAPER???

SAVE THE DATE!

No one loves Tax Day, but we all have to deal with it, as well as the mountains of paper we accumulate to support our tax filings, our insurance claims, our businesses and life in general. Here's FREE help for everyone wanting to get rid of that box, bag, cabinet or house full of sensitive documents. You can bring your unwanted paperwork by the SCA office, 6815 Redding Road, from 9-12 for free, secure, on-site shredding. And you are welcome to stay and watch as your paper feeds the giant Shred Monster.

SHARPSTOWN SHRED DAY MAY 22 9AM - NOON



2021 KEEP HOUSTON BEAUTIFUL DAY

Keep Houston Beautiful has scheduled a city-wide cleanup day on Saturday, April 10, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The Sharpstown Parks Alliance and Sharpstown High School are each sponsoring a team, as we plan a quarterly cleanup of the drains and parks in our area. Join us by registering at [www.houstonbeautiful.org](http://www.houstonbeautiful.org). Our cleanups usually end by 11:00, so donate a couple of hours to help us make Sharpstown proud!

TRASH VOLUNTEERS

Fed up with littered streets across Sharpstown, area residents have literally taken matters into their own hands. Several individuals stepped up to provide regular litter collection patrols near their homes. It's a great way to clean up your community, prevent trash from clogging storm water inlets, and get in some healthy exercise. Choose a couple of blocks, grab your gloves and trash bag, and join your neighbors.



LANSDALE PARK ACTIVITIES

- Free After School Program for children 6 to 13 years of age
- Seeking Adult and Teen Volunteers (Build Your Own Hours)

Tiffany Goodlow, Site Manager  
Lansdale Community Center  
8201 Roos Rd  
Office: 713-272-3668

Please visit our website for program registration:  
<http://www.houston.tx.gov/parks/communitycenters/cc-lansdale.html>



LIBRARY NEWS

Walter Branch Library-So Much More Than Books  
Our neighborhood library offers an outstanding calendar of programs and classes such as

- Basic, intermediate and advanced computer applications like Word, Excel and PowerPoint
- Family movie time
- Bilingual story hours in Spanish and Mandarin
- Citizenship classes

Find the full calendar of events plus location and hours at [http://houstonlibrary.org/location/walter-neighborhood-library?items\\_per\\_page=200#events](http://houstonlibrary.org/location/walter-neighborhood-library?items_per_page=200#events)



SHARPSTOWN PARKS ALLIANCE

Do you go to any of the parks in Sharpstown? Would you like to see some improvements? Would you enjoy seeing more people in the parks? The Sharpstown Parks Alliance is looking for some new members.

Originally formed as a committee under former Council Member Mike Laster, the SPA became a recognized 501(c)(3) in 2018, under the leadership of local resident Bill St. Cyr. Our goal is to "promote, strengthen, and support neighborhood parks and green spaces by working with the Houston Parks and Recreation Department, the Houston Parks Board, and other partners in providing educational and recreational opportunities within the Sharpstown area."

Meetings are held the 1st Tuesday of each month at 6:00, currently via Zoom, and we would like our organization to represent a younger, more diverse community which represents the citizens of our neighborhood. We have park projects and school programs, but we would love to expand our reach to include more green spaces in Sharpstown. If you are interested in the parks, school gardens, or green spaces, please contact Tony Tuckwiller ([wvaboy40@aol.com](mailto:wvaboy40@aol.com)) for more information.







SHS BAND STUDENTS SHINE

Despite the pandemic, school music organizations are still participating in competitions, and for the first time in recent history, THREE Sharpstown High School band members have advanced to Area auditions! Cynthia Yax (flute) placed first in 5A Area and was selected to perform with the Region Wind Ensemble. Daniel Reyes (trumpet) placed 4th in his competition, and Manuel Villegas (clarinet) placed 2nd in his group. Congratulations to these fine students and their director, Sean Burke! You make us truly “Sharpstown Proud.”

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RECYCLING THE RIGHT WAY

The City of Houston publishes a trash and recycling collection schedule but there are circumstances that often alter this schedule. Leave your container out and the next day is usually catch up day. If in doubt, call 311 or Scott at the SCA office for information. Here’s a quick refresher on what to place in your GREEN curbside recycling bin and what goes in the black curbside trash container. Put these items in your GREEN Bin (make sure you empty and rinse plastic, metal, glass and coated containers).



METAL AND CANS

PLASTICS #1-5 & #7

CARDBOARD & CARTONS

PAPER & NEWSPAPER

METAL and CANS:

Aluminum and Tin Cans (rinsed drained)

PLASTICS:

Plastic Containers #1 - 5 and 7 (rinsed drained)

CARDBOARD and CARTONS:

Carton - Cardboard boxes and cartons from items such as milk, juice, soup, crackers, cream, beans, water, broth, wine, etc.

PAPER:

Paper. Newspaper, Catalogs, Magazines and Phone Books



GLASS:

Effective immediately, glass is accepted in the green curbside recycling bin.

Please don’t put dirty paper (greasy pizza boxes), large plastic items like old toys, or plastic bags in the green bin!  
These items clog the machinery used to process recyclables resulting in delays and expense.

WEEKLY TRASH PICKUP

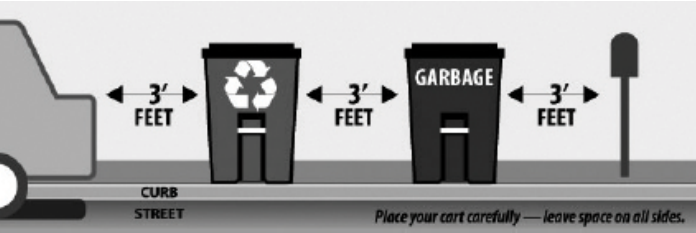
Sec 1, 2, 3, 5 and CCT1, CCT2, CCT3 are “Tuesday B”  
Estates East and West are “Monday A”  
[http://www.houstontx.gov/solidwaste/service\\_schedules.html](http://www.houstontx.gov/solidwaste/service_schedules.html)

HEAVY TRASH SCHEDULE

MONTH	MON	TUES	COLLECTION
APR	12	13	JUNK WASTE ONLY
MAY	10	11	TREE WASTE ONLY

Section 1 & 2 - Heavy Trash on Tuesday (second Tuesday of every month)  
Section 3, 5, CCT1, CCT2, CCT3, Estates E&W - Heavy Trash on Monday (second Monday of every month)  
Yard Waste or Grass Clippings are picked up on Wednesdays.  
You may place waste at the curb no earlier than 6:00 pm on the Friday prior to collection.

TRASH FACTS



How to set out your garbage and recycling:

- City-provided containers must be placed at the curb between 6 p.m. the day before and 7 a.m. on the scheduled collection day.
- Container must face the street with handle facing house.
- Containers must be accessible and not blocked by obstacles, including parked cars, trees, mailboxes, fencing etc. Blocked containers will not be emptied.
- Leave at least a 3ft space between garbage and recycling container. This allows the truck to operate safely.
- Containers must be removed from the curb line and/or public view by 10:00 p.m. on the day of collection and stored in a secure location.

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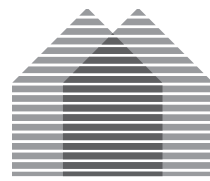
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