



City of  
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# A CITY WITH ROOM FOR GROWTH

## A Message from Our Mayor

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a wonderful Holiday. The city is currently applying for several upcoming grant opportunities to make much needed repairs to our roads and further improve drainage and other areas throughout the city that are unattainable without grant funding. We NEED your help. Please fill out the survey included in this month's newsletter and return it to City Hall ASAP. No identifying information is required, only address. We Thank you for your cooperation and look forward to keeping Pine Forest a wonderful place to call home.

*Cathy Nagel*

## Save the Date:

January 2- Closed in Observance of New Years Day 2023

January 9- City Council Meeting 6 p.m.

January 16- Closed in Observance of MLK Day

February 13-City Council Meeting 6 p.m.

February 14- Happy Valentine's Day

February 20- Closed in Observance of Presidents Day



## Hours of Operation

Business is open Monday through Friday 8:00 AM- 4:00 PM. Our City Council Meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month at 6:00 PM.

Next City Council Meeting will be held on Monday, January 9, 2023 at 6:00 PM.



## Keep our Community Clean & Safe

City Dumpster Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month the Dumpster will be open to Pine Forest Residents ONLY. You must make an appointment prior to your visit by calling us at 409-786-4100. Next Available Saturday is Jan. 21, 2023. Please keep our city safe. The city has received several reports of dogs running loose causing Postal Services and Utility providers unable to deliver. Please be a good neighbor and a responsible Pet Owner and keep your dogs on your property.



# Monthly Meetings

Council Meetings are held at 6 p.m. on the second Monday of each month at City Hall, located at 305 Nagel Street, unless a Holiday falls on that date, the meeting moves to the next business day.



- Visit our website to view a copy of the agenda.  
[www.cityofpineforest.com](http://www.cityofpineforest.com)
- Special Meetings are called as needed and are posted on the website and at City Hall 72 hours prior to the meeting date and time.
- Citizens may speak to the council during the Citizens Communication portion. It is recommended that you show up 15 minutes prior to the meeting to sign in. Speeches are limited to 3 minutes.

PLEASE CONTACT US AT 409-786-4100 WITH ANY QUESTIONS AND/OR CONCERNS.

January was named for the Roman God Janus, known as the protector of gates and doorways who symbolize beginnings and endings. Janus is depicted with two faces, one looking into the past, the other with the ability to see into the future.



## Where can I get a Covid-19 test?

If you think you have COVID-19 and need a test, The City of Pine Forest has just received FREE In-Home Covid Test that are available for our Residents to pick up Monday through Friday during the hours of 9:00-4:00 pm ONLY at Pine Forest City Hall. Please bring a photo ID with proof of address. 1 Test per Family Member will be issued. Supplies are limited.

Mayor, Cathy Nagel  
[CNagel@cityofpineforest.com](mailto:CNagel@cityofpineforest.com)

Place 1 Council Member Jesse Santana  
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Mayor Pro tem/Place 2 Council Member James McCullar  
[councilseat2@cityofpineforest.com](mailto:councilseat2@cityofpineforest.com)

Place 3 Council Member- seat vacant  
[councilseat3@cityofpineforest.com](mailto:councilseat3@cityofpineforest.com)

Place 4 Cynthia Worsham  
[councilseat4@cityofpineforest.com](mailto:councilseat4@cityofpineforest.com)

Place 5 Wesley Brown  
[councilseat5@cityofpineforest.com](mailto:councilseat5@cityofpineforest.com)

***"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***

# City Permitting

Pine Forest requires that a Permit be issued for any Modification to your property, building constructed or moved onto a property or for any improvement to your property, home or building. Permits can be obtained by filling out a Permit Application and these permits are valid for 180 days.

Some examples that require a Permit are:

- Construction of a new building or home
- Additions to existing buildings
- Substantially improving existing buildings
- Placing of manufactured (mobile) homes on a property
- Temporary building for both residential and commercial
- Agriculture buildings
- Concrete, Fill, grading, excavations, mining, and dredging

# Please Slow Down!

The City of Pine Forest continues to encourage drivers to slow down. Especially during High Traffic. The posted speed limit is 30 MPH on Lakeview Cutoff and 20MPH down most City Streets. Please make this a safe place to live for our residents and our Children at play.

As a Reminder, please slow down. Not only does driving fast put you at risk, but those around you, such as other drivers and pedestrians.



**31 DAYS IN THE MONTH**

- National Puzzle Day
- Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- National Penguin Day
- Elvis Presley's Birthday
- Carnations January Flowers
- Garnet Birthstone
- National Rubber Duck Day
- Astrology Signs: Capricorn, Aquarius
- National Thank You Month
- National Spaghetti Day
- National Soup Month (1890)
- MADEWITHHAPPY.COM

**JANUARY FUN FACTS**

- The Coldest Month of The Year
- Eating Black Eyed Peas on New Years Day is Good Luck
- 1st Month of The Year
- The Tournament of Roses Parade has run since 1890.
- National Book Month
- National Book Month

## New Business in the City Pine Forest Donuts

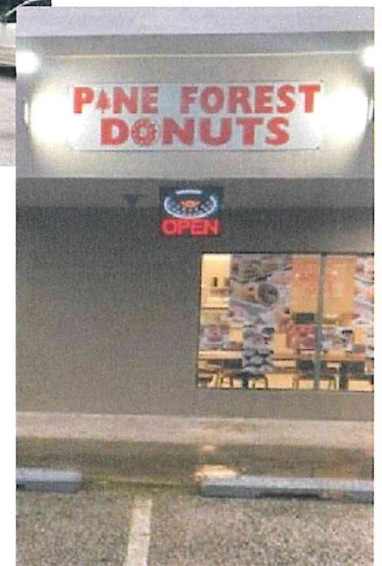
3665 N. Main Suite C

409-790-4180

Open Monday-Sunday 5am-12pm

Stop By and Grab some Coffee &

Breakfast!



ITEMS	EA	1/2DZ	OZ	CROISSANT	EA	1/2DZ	OZ	HOT COFFEE	SM
ICE DONUTS	\$5	4.50	1.00	PLAIN CROISSANT	1.75	3.20	4.50	COFFEE	
CHOCOLATE ICE	\$5	4.50	1.00	SAUSAGE W/CHEESE	2.75	5.20	5.50	WEB COFFEE	
GLAZE DONUTS	\$5	4.50	1.00	JAL. SAUSAGE W/CHEESE	2.75	5.20	5.50	BLANDED HOT COFFEE	
FASHION	\$5	4.50	1.00	HAM W/CHEESE	2.75	5.20	5.50	CAPPUCCINO	
EGG	1.50	2.50	4.00	LG SAUSAGE W/CHEESE	3.75	7.20	7.50	MILK	
1/2 DONUTS	1.00	1.75	2.50	HAM - EGG & CHEESE	3.75	7.20	7.50	ORANGE JUICE	2.49
UT HOLES	1.00	1.75	2.50	SAUSAGE - EGG & CHEESE	3.75	7.20	7.50	CAN DRINKS	1.69
HAMON TWIST	1.50	2.50	4.00	BACON - EGG & CHEESE	3.75	7.20	7.50	BOTTLE	2.99
12 MINI ROLLS	1.00	2.50	4.00					WATER	1.99
6 JOHN	1.50	2.50	4.00					W/8 TOP	1.99
6 CLAW	1.50	2.50	4.00					GATORADE	1.99
TIE	1.50	2.50	4.00					REGULAR	2.99
								MONSTER	2.99

MURRITOS	EA	1/2DZ	OZ	MOLACHES	EA	1/2DZ	OZ
SAUSAGE EGG & CHEESE	3.75	7.20	7.50	PIC/NOLANKEY	1.75	3.20	3.50
BACON EGG & CHEESE	3.75	7.20	7.50	SM SAUSAGE W/CHEESE	1.75	3.20	3.50
HAM EGG & CHEESE	3.75	7.20	7.50	LG SAUSAGE W/CHEESE	2.75	5.20	5.50
POTATO EGG & CHEESE	3.75	7.20	7.50	JAL SAUSAGE W/CHEESE	2.75	5.20	5.50
BACON POTATO & CHEESE	3.75	7.20	7.50	HAM W/CHEESE	2.75	5.20	5.50
SM. POTATO & CHEESE	3.75	7.20	7.50	BOUDAIN	2.75	5.20	5.50

EXTRAS	EA	1/2DZ	OZ	DISCOUNTS	EA	1/2DZ	OZ
BELL PEPPER	\$.50			SAUSAGE	1.50	2.90	3.20
ONION	\$.50			SAUSAGE W/CHEESE	1.50	2.90	3.20
POTATO BACON SAUSAGE, HAM	1.50			SAUSAGE - EGG - CHEESE	2.00	3.90	4.20

## Pine Forest Residents we need your help!!

We are working with our grant consultants to secure funding for improvements to City infrastructure. There are many upcoming opportunities that would enable us to make important additions to our current capabilities and provide means to develop recreational areas/parks and other facilities that would otherwise be unaffordable and/or unattainable. These projects are in the earliest stages of consideration, and we will of course seek additional input from the community as we move forward.

In the meantime, to make this possible we desperately need your prompt response to the attached survey. To pursue these opportunities, we must show that at least 51% of households in Pine Forest are considered low-to-moderate income by TDA's standards.

The survey questionnaire is self-certifying, requests information based on your income only, and does not consider assets. The forms will not be used for any purpose other than grant applications. Please note that there is no identifying information other than your address that is required on the form. Once completed, they will be counted by our grant consultant and included in the project file. Only the totals of low-to-moderate income households vs. non-low-to-moderate income households and basic demographic data (male, female, etc.) will appear in the grant applications.

The first grant application we would like to pursue for which these survey forms are needed is due by February. We will therefore need to have the completed forms to our grant consultant on or before February 1st. Please complete one form per household and return to City Hall ASAP.

On a related note, you may recall having recently heard Vidor completed the same type of household income survey. Due to their success in gathering these forms, they have been awarded over \$20 Million in drainage projects this past year alone. We want to make sure we are doing everything we can to help bring funds to our community as well. These survey forms are vital to the future of our community, and we hope you are willing to take just a few minutes of your time to complete the survey form and return to City Hall.



Love our Newsletter?? We'd Love your feedback!

Please stay up to date with us on our city website [www.cityofpineforest.com](http://www.cityofpineforest.com) and Pine Forest Talk on Facebook. Our city newsletter will mail out monthly. If you no longer wish to receive our Monthly Newsletter by US mail, please call us at 409-786-4100 to be removed. Thanks.

**City of  
Pine Forest**

305 Nagel Street  
Vidor, Texas 77662

# 2022 TxCDBG Survey Questionnaire

Interviewers Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## 80% Only

Place:

City of Pine Forest

County Name:

Orange

Region:

SETRPC 15

Respondent's Information:

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Attempts:

(Circle)

First Attempt:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

A.M.

P.M.

(Circle ONE)

Second Attempt:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

A.M.

P.M.

Response

Non-Response

Vacancy

1. Is this unit your usual residence?

"Usual Residence" is defined as the location where the respondent lives and sleeps at least 50% of the calendar year.

(Circle)

Yes

No

2. Including yourself, how many people usually live in this unit?

3. Including yourself, how many people *in your family* usually live in this unit?

4. Do any other families live in this unit?

(Circle)

Yes

No

Answer by circling "Yes" or "No." If your answer for Question 2 is greater than your answer for Question 3, then more than one family lives in this unit and the answer to Question 4 should be "Yes." If so, a separate Survey Questionnaire for each family that lives in a household should be completed.

5. Family Size: \_\_\_\_\_

*Extremely Low- to Low-Income: <80% AMFI*

Family Size	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>
Income LESS than:	< \$41,250	< \$47,150	< \$53,050	< \$58,900	< \$63,650	< \$68,350	< \$73,050	< \$77,750	< \$82,460	< \$87,172	< \$91,884	< \$96,596

*Non-Low- and-Moderate Income: Greater than 80% AMFI*

Family Size	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>
Income MORE than:	> \$41,250	> \$47,150	> \$53,050	> \$58,900	> \$63,650	> \$68,350	> \$73,050	> \$77,750	> \$82,460	> \$87,172	> \$91,884	> \$96,596

TO BE COMPLETED BY ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Questionnaire Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Substituted In For: \_\_\_\_\_

Substituted Out For \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Failure to correctly complete this survey (e.g. selection of an incorrect income level for family size identified) may result in its disqualification from the survey or be considered a "Non-Response". See TxCDBG Survey Methodology for specific information.

