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Taking pride in our city

At the City of Hurst, our goal is to be a helpful resource for you and your neighborhood. At the end of the day, code enforcement is all about keeping our city clean and safe while preserving property values. This means when there is a code violation, we'll work with you to help address it. We call it our "good neighbor" approach to code enforcement, and we look forward to partnering with you to help make this a city we're all proud to call home.

To learn more, go to hursttx.gov/neighborhoodservices

TARRANT COUNTY
HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

Tarrant County offers a housing repair program for its residents that's funded through the Community Development Block Grant and the HOME Investment Partnership Program.

Types of repairs available:

- Roof
- Plumbing
- Weatherization
- Foundation
- Electrical

To be eligible for this program, you must:

- Have an annual income below the HUD-established income limits
- Own your home and have lived in it for at least one year
- Have no more than two liens placed against the property
- Meet at least one of the following criteria:
 - Handicapped
 - Disabled
 - Family with dependent children
 - Age 62 or older

For more information or if you'd like to apply, contact the Tarrant County Community Development Division at 817-850-7940.



**NEIGHBORHOOD AND COMMUNITY
ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

The Hurst City Council created the Neighborhood and Community Advisory Committee (NCAC) to help maintain and revitalize both residential and commercial areas throughout the city. The NCAC aims to help maintain quality of life and property values in our city by reviewing options and providing recommendations to the City Council regarding community codes as well as beautification and revitalization programs and initiatives. The committee functions as an advisory group to the City Council and plays no role in enforcement or inspection activities, which are responsibility of authorized city staff.

If you have an issue that you think will be of interest to this particular committee, please call 817-788-7095.



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Hurst Resident

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WHAT IS THE PURPOSE?

The **primary purpose** of Hurst's Nuisance Ordinance is to help maintain property values. It gives the City of Hurst the chance to obtain timely compliance without issuing citations and grants authority to recover the costs of abatement from non-cooperative property owners. If there is an issue, Neighborhood Services will work with you to correct it.

Nuisances are generally defined as health or cleanliness issues, and they must be addressed in a timely manner. However, instead of waiting for a worst-case condition to develop, Neighborhood Services adopts a more graduated enforcement process because we always prefer to see an issue resolved without having to issue a citation.

WHO IS AFFECTED?

Property owners, managers and tenants are responsible for abiding by the Nuisance Ordinance. Whether you cause or allow a defined nuisance on your property or on the public street immediately adjacent to your property, you're subject to the inspection, maintenance and enforcement terms of the ordinance.

EXAMPLES OF NUISANCES

HIGH WEEDS & GRASS

Residential property or developed, non-residential property must keep weeds and grass shorter than eight inches in height. Sweeping or blowing lawn and garden debris into the street is prohibited, as is allowing grass or weeds to grow over the curb.

RUBBISH & GARBAGE

City Code prohibits rubbish or garbage accumulating on or in any property. This includes but is not limited to waste matter, trash, refuse, debris, dirt, dry grass, dead trees, tin cans, paper, waste material of every kind, other unhealthy substances, objects or conditions that may become a fire hazard or may become a menace to health, safety or welfare. Also included are abandoned or broken equipment or machinery or parts thereof, building materials not currently being used, appliances, household furnishings or equipment, tools, machines, garbage cans, packing boxes, broken or discarded furniture.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

Property owners should keep all buildings and grounds in a clean, sanitary and safe condition. This includes keeping exteriors in good repair to prevent declining property values. Neighborhood Services will become involved in cases of deteriorating property such as: garages, fences, walls, exterior services, painting, foundation walls, exterior wall integrity, weatherproofing, roofs, chimneys, flag poles, antennas, windows, doors, locks, defective interior surfaces, stairs and walking surfaces.

TRASH & RECYCLING CONTAINERS

Trash and Recycling shouldn't be placed curbside more than twelve (12) hours prior to the day of pickup. All containers should be placed at the foregoing prescribed locations no later than 7:30 a.m. on the day of scheduled collection if they are to be picked up.

SWIMMING POOLS/STAGNANT WATER

If you have a pool, spa or other water receptacle at your residence, it's important that you maintain it so that it doesn't become offensive or a health concern for neighbors or passersby. If it's determined that a water receptacle has become a nuisance, the City of Hurst can opt to take care of the problem, including draining, and bill the owner for all costs.

INOPERATIVE, JUNKED OR ABANDONED VEHICLES

Property owners should not park an automobile, truck or any other motor vehicle or trailer for a period in excess of forty-eight (48) hours when such vehicle or trailer is without one or more wheels or is apparently inoperative for any reason, including not having registration or current inspection for the current year.

The City of Hurst is divided up in zones for each inspector to be proactive and to assist citizens with any concerns in their neighborhoods. If you have any questions or are unsure which inspector is in your neighborhood, contact Erin Mills at 817-788-7092.

PENALTIES

If you're responsible for a nuisance and refuse to correct the problem, citations may be issued. If you're convicted in court, you may be fined as much as \$2,000 per day for each offense related to fire safety, zoning or public health and sanitation, which includes dumping trash, and up to \$500 per day for other violations.

Did you know that the City of Hurst offers a free trash drop-off site to its citizens as a part of our Good Neighbor program? Twice a year, several dumpsters, scrap metal recycling bins and a hazardous waste trailer are set up in the parking lot of the Bellaire Shopping Center on Pipeline Road so that Hurst residents can bring items for free disposal.

ACCEPTED ITEMS:

- Any non-hazardous bulk items such as scrap metal, loose brush, old fencing materials and other debris (rocks and bricks need to be put in containers)
- Household hazardous waste materials such as oil, chemicals and paint (no tires or batteries)
- Computers and computer hardware (no TVs or other electronics)
- No commercial debris will be allowed, and no more than six fence panels can be dropped off without a fence permit

Proof of Hurst residency (such as a driver's license or current water bill) is required. Dates, locations and times are publicized in the Hurst water bills and in the Where We Live magazine.

Please call 817-788-7088 for more information.