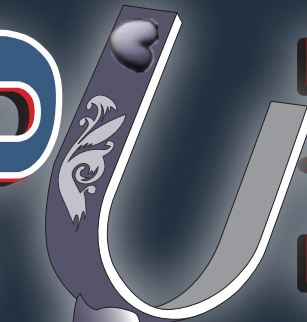


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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR OF GATESVILLE

Welcome to the inaugural edition of *The Spur*. We plan to publish this semi-annually as a way of providing timely information for our residents about City events, City services, and answers to your important questions.

Heartfelt thanks to the many local businesses for their advertising support, which makes this publication possible. When you obtain your goods and services from a Gatesville-based business, you not only sustain or help expand that business - which helps that business increase local employment and expand their service offerings - shopping locally allows the City to reinvest your sales taxes for the important quality of place functions the City provides; those include parks, the public library, public safety, and streets to name just a few.

I am proud to have served as your Mayor for the past eight years, and I look for-

ward to the many exciting opportunities that lay ahead of us. People are choosing to live in Gatesville because of our solid reputation as a caring, concerned, and compassionate community.

We welcome any and all who feel a calling to public service and "make our tent bigger." There are numerous opportunities for our residents to contribute a small amount of their time and talent, and most importantly, chart the course for Gatesville's future. I am always available to discuss those opportunities with anyone who is interested.



Gary M. Chumley
Mayor



WELCOME

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The 2022 Christmas parade and Chamber of Commerce Christmas celebration is slated for Dec. 10.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Details about many of these events can be found at gatesvilletx.com or VisitGatesvilleTx.com.

SEPTEMBER

5
Labor Day - City Offices Closed
GISD Student and Staff Holiday

6
Mystery Book Club (Library)

8
Youth Flag Football Registration Ends
Youth Volleyball Registration Ends

10
Gatesville Day of Service
Chamber Market Days
Recycle Center Open

11
Flag Football Draft

13
City Council Meets 5:30 City Hall

16
Country Music Hall of Fame Show at City Auditorium 7pm

17
Spurfest at the Coryell Museum
Cruzin Cruzers Car Show on the Square
Gatesville Old Time

Fiddle Contest in City Auditorium

23
GISD Homecoming Game

24
Recycle Center Open

27
City Council Meets 5:30 p.m., City Hall

30
GISD Early Release

OCTOBER

Fire Prevention Month

4
Mystery Book Club (Library)
National Night Out (Ballpark)

7
GISD Big Sting Game

8
Flag Football Starts
GHS Sports Hall of Fame Banquet

10
Columbus Day - City Hall Closed
GISD Student Holiday

11
GISD Staff Dev - Student Holiday
City Council Meets 5:30 City Hall

13
Gatesville Fire Depart-

ment Open House

15
Chamber Market Days
Halloween 5K Fun Run
Recycle Center Open

21
Country Music Hall of Fame Show at City Auditorium 7 p.m.
GISD Military Appreciation/Senior Night

25
City Council Meets 5:30 p.m., City Hall

29
Boozaar!
Recycle Center Open

31
GISD Student Holiday
Halloween

NOVEMBER

1
No Shave November Begins (Police Dept)
Mystery Book Club (Library)

5
Gatesville Gun Show (Civic Center)

6
Gatesville Gun Show (Civic Center)
Daylight Savings Time Ends
Check the batteries in your smoke detector

8
City Council Meets 5:30 p.m., City Hall

11
Veterans Breakfast and Veterans Day Program at GHS
Veterans Day - City Hall Closed

12
Chamber Market Days
Recycle Center Open

18
Food For Families Food Drive
Country Music Hall of Fame Show at City Auditorium

19
Dancing with the Gatesville Stars
Feastmode 5K Race
Recycle Center Open

21
GISD Thanksgiving Break Begins

24
City Hall Closed
Thanksgiving Day

25
City Hall Closed

DECEMBER

1
Recycle Center Open

5
Youth Soccer Reg Opens

6
Mystery Book Club (Library)

10
Christmas Parade and Chamber of Commerce Christmas Celebration

13
City Council Meets 5:30 p.m., City Hall

16
Country Music Hall of Fame Show at City Auditorium

17
Recycle Center Open
Santa Sprint 5K/10K

19
GISD Christmas Break Begins

23
City Hall Closed

25
Christmas Day

26
City Hall Closed

JANUARY

2
City Hall Closed

4
GISD Return to School



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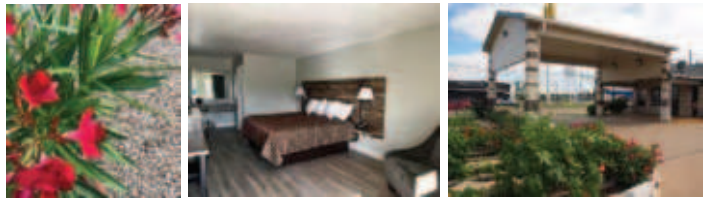


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BOOZAAR! HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION

The City's Boozaar! Halloween Celebration is held annually on the Saturday before Halloween around the square in downtown Gatesville.

Our 2022 event will be held on Oct. 29 from 6-8 p.m. This family event is the best attended event of the year and provides fun for people of all ages from Gatesville and the surrounding area. Those attending can participate in the costume contest and make their way around the square trick or treating at local businesses and playing games set up by local businesses and organizations.

There is no admission charge, and most treats and attractions are free. There are always vendors selling food and drinks if you choose to take advantage of some of the authentic and delicious items that are available.

Interested businesses and organizations are invited to participate as one of the following:

Treat Stops are businesses located on

the square or the Boozaar route that encompasses several blocks around the downtown area. They hand out treats to kids as they make their way around the route.

Treat Stations are businesses and organizations who are not located downtown but set up booths around the square to provide free candy, games and activities for families. There is no charge to set up a Treat Station.

Vendors are able to host a food booth, sell Halloween related items or charge for a game or activity. Vendor booths are \$55 each for commercial businesses and \$25 for non-profit. Any items sold must be Halloween related.

Sign-ups are available on the city website at www.gatesvilletx.com. Interested persons may call event coordinator Faye Nichols at the Gatesville Public Library at 254-865-5367 or email her at fnichols@gatesvilletx.com.



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Who can file a permit?



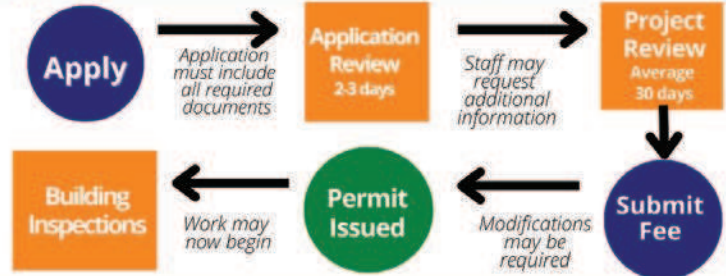
A homeowner performing work **on their own home**

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A licensed contractor

The Permit Process:



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Planning &
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The library serves the citizens of Gatesville and the surrounding communities and provides a vibrant collection of books, electronic resources, technology and media. We also have events, classes and services, both in-person and online. Our library is a lifeline for recreational, educational, digital, and informational connections.

Getting a library card is simple – provide a valid picture ID and one additional item for verification of address such as a recent piece of mail with your name and address. Other acceptable items include a digital utility bill, proof of vehicle insurance, or a voter's registration card. Patrons may use their library card immediately to check out physical items, use digital resources, and reserve study spaces and library computers.

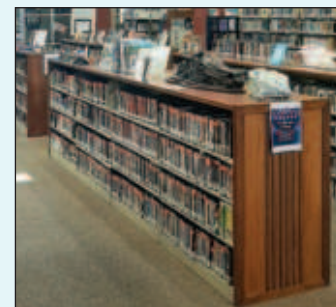
If you are looking for social interaction, the library invites you to join one of our groups for adults or children. There are book clubs, a fiber arts group, a coloring group for adults, and the Mad Matters group that recycles plastic grocery bags into sleeping mats for the homeless.

The Coryell County Genealogical Society meets every other month and welcomes new members. There is also a Friends of the Library group that helps support special projects for the library and offers volunteers when extra events are planned.

You and your child can attend storytime on Wednesdays for pre-K and for elementary age. Along with reading challenges all year long via the ReadSquared app and other fun contests such as the Book Character Pumpkin contest, we can get your child on the right path to reading and learning

Other services the library provides include:

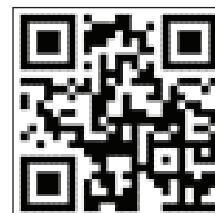
- Copy machines
- Die press for cutting shapes
- E-books and E-audio Books
- Fax service
- Free Wi-Fi
- Full text academic and professional databases through Texshare
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- Licensed dyslexia therapist available by appointment



- Meeting room
- Movies for check-out
- Print materials for all ages
- Printers
- Proctor for exams
- Public access computers
- Study rooms and carrels
- TexShare Card program
- See local policies for more information

and help keep them challenged all year.

Please come by the library at 111 N. 8th St. to see what a treasure it is for the community. You can also reach us by phone at 254-865-5367, email our library director at fnichols@gatesvilletx.com, or scan the code to visit us on our website or on Facebook.





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Find a place for them to sleep - Gatesville has full-service hotels, motels, and bed-and-breakfasts. See our lodging options advertised in this issue.

Attend a high school football game - Texas is known for its love of high school football. Your guests will enjoy an evening under the Friday night lights at McKamie Stadium. For a schedule of home games visit hs.gatesvilleisd.org

See a movie at the Drive In - The Last Drive In Picture Show features first-run movies seven nights a week. \$10/carload will allow the whole family to enjoy a double feature. Call 254-865-8445 to find out what is showing.



Visit the Coryell Museum - With over 15,000 square feet of exhibits, the museum will provide hours of entertainment and education for your guests. The friendly volunteers are always happy to give you a tour or answer any questions. They are open Tues.-Sat. 10am-4pm. Admission is free (donations accepted). For more information call 254-865-5007.

Hear some live music - Local and touring artists play regularly at Bare Bones BBQ and at The Junction on Route 36. Both offer live entertainment on Thursday evenings in a family-friendly environment with no cover charge. Enjoy dinner and some good old Texas music.

Go shopping - Our locally owned shops offer unique shopping experiences for residents and visitors alike. From boots and jeans at Leon River Mercantile to home décor at The Parrot, your guests will go home with a little piece of central Texas. For



a list of local boutiques and gift shops, go to VisitGatesvilleTX.com.

Go out to eat - From barbeque at J&Ms to chicken fried steak at Ranchers, and the décor and variety on the menu at the Feed Mill, your guests will enjoy a taste of Gatesville at our locally owned restaurants.

For a more complete listing of dining, shopping, lodging and things to do, see VisitGatesvilleTX.com.

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The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality requires the Gatesville Regional Water Supply to issue a "Boil Water Notice" (BWN) when events such as line breaks and water outages occur. This is a precautionary measure to ensure your water is safe to drink. BWNs are sent through the CodeRED system, sent to local television and radio stations, posted in public places and on the City website and social media.

When water service is restored, the City collects water samples from various points in the system which are analyzed by a laboratory to ensure the water is safe to drink. We receive the lab reports usually within 24 hours of submitting them. If the results are satisfactory, the City will rescind the BWN using the same means above.

The best way to boil water is to bring water to a full rolling boil for one minute, then allow it to cool before use. Because water may take 30 minutes to cool, plan ahead. Make up a batch of boiled water in advance so you will not be tempted to use it hot and risk scalds or burns. Boiled water may be used for drinking, cooking and washing.

The BWN is specifically for drinking water, or any water you might consume. It is safe to wash clothes, bathe (be careful not to ingest water), and do dishes (use the "sanitize" cycle on your dishwasher or rinse the dishes in a bleach solution).



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PROPERLY DISPOSE OF GAS, OIL AND ANTIFREEZE

It is a violation of City of Gatesville ordinances to dispose of hazardous substances like gas, oil and antifreeze in the wastewater system. This means that you cannot pour them down any drain or discharge them onto the ground or street where they may end up in our system.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection events are held periodically in our region and are open to residents of Gatesville. For announcements regarding these events, see the City of Gatesville website or follow Keep Gatesville Beautiful on Facebook.



THE RECYCLE CENTER

The Recycle Center on S. 23rd St. is open from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Friday, and on the second and fourth Saturdays from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Dates may be adjusted for holidays. Check the Events Calendar for City holiday closings. Items that are accepted include:

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| <p>In single stream compactor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aluminum and tin cans • Paper and cardboard • Plastic containers that are labeled for recycling | <p>In separate designated containers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motor oil • Cooking oil • Antifreeze |
|--|--|

For more information about recycling and how to dispose of various items, see gatesvilletx.com/cityservices/page/recycle-center.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT DEPARTMENT CEASE THE GREASE, PLEASE

With the holidays and cool weather approaching, the City is asking residents for their help to "cease the grease." Gatesville spends many dollars every year unplugging or replacing grease-blocked wastewater mains, repairing damage to our streets from digging to repair lines and repairing pump stations due to grease in the drains. These costs can ultimately affect your water and wastewater rates.

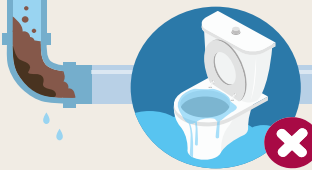
Fats, oils, and grease (FOG) comes from meat fats in food scraps, cooking oil, shortening, lard, butter and margarine, gravy, and food products such as mayonnaise, salad dressings and sour cream.

In addition to grease buildup in your sewer line, manholes can overflow into parks, yards, streets and storm drains, allowing FOG to contaminate local waters, including drinking water. Exposure to untreated wastewater is a public health hazard.

Keeping FOG out of the sewer system helps everyone in the community. You can recycle used cooking oil at the City Utility Yard, M-F 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the second and fourth Saturday of the month.

Simple steps to keep our water clean, protect public health, and avoid expensive plumbing repairs.

NEVER POUR DOWN THE DRAIN OR TOILET:



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Fats, oils, and grease (FOG), including cooking oil, pan drippings, gravy, bacon grease, lard, shortening, butter, margarine, salad dressings, mayonnaise, creams, and sauces.

INSTEAD, RECYCLE USED COOKING OIL WHEN POSSIBLE— contact a local cooking oil recycler for locations.



If you must dispose of cooking oil or grease, **contact your local household waste program** to find out how. As a last resort, seal in a container in the trash.



Use a paper towel to scrape grease from dishes and cookware into the trash (the grease from cloth towels ends up in the wastewater system when you wash them).



Use a sink strainer to catch small pieces of food and compost your food waste whenever possible.



Use environmentally safe cleaning products, such as those with the EPA Safer Choice label.



GATESVILLE PARKS & RECREATION

“Building our youth for the future...”

With the continued partnership between the City of Gatesville and GISD, we are able to offer youth volleyball to third through sixth graders. All games will be played at the school district’s gymnasiums.

In the fall, the City of Gatesville also hosts a flag football league for children 5 years old up to players in the sixth grade. Games are played Saturday mornings at the Gatesville Sports Complex. The goal of the youth volleyball and flag football programs are to teach fundamental skills to entry level players.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Aug. 1 - Adult Softball Season Begins
- Aug.1 to Sept. 1 - Adult co-ed softball registration, \$325 per team
- Aug. 1 to Sept. 8 - Registration flag football (5 years old to sixth); also youth volleyball (third to sixth)
- Dec. 5 to Jan. 12, 2023 - Youth soccer registration (4 years old to eighth grade)
- Jan. 24 to Feb. 24, 2023 - Baseball/softball registration (4 years old to 14U boys and 15U girls)

ADAPTED SPORTS LEAGUE

The 2023 Gatesville Adapted Sports League will cater to the recreational and social demands of children with special needs. The program is intended to fill the gap between mainstream recreation and therapy. It will be a league where children regardless of their developmental level can participate in ability-adapted sports. We aim to provide a high-quality, affordable venue for children of all special needs. Soccer and baseball will be the first two sports to be offered in this program.

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GATESVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

As we approach the fall season, let's hope we receive some much-needed rain. The summer months have been very dry and a busy time for the fire department.

October is Fire Prevention Month. The National Fire Protection Association established the week in 1922. The observance takes place the week of Oct. 9-15. We will hold an open house at the Gatesville Fire Department on Oct. 13.

During the fall school semester, Gatesville Fire Department will be giving fire safety classes for pre-K through sixth grade at Gatesville ISD.

As the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays approach, please be careful with outdoor cooking, especially deep-frying turkeys. There are several good links on YouTube on how to and HOW NOT to fry that frozen bird. Frying turkeys causes many home fires each year. As the liquid in the bird expands in the hot oil, it will cause the oil to overflow and ignite outside the cooker. Make sure the turkey is completely defrosted and lower it very slowly into oil. Be prepared for hot grease to splatter, which can cause you to drop the bird. Wear gloves and closed-toe shoes, and be careful!

For last three years, we have transported Santa around town on the fire truck to visit our neighborhoods. We plan on doing so again, but with cost of fuel may have to cut back on the number of days. See our Facebook page as we get closer to December for a full schedule.

Our Facebook Page contains lots of helpful info, including the burn ban status.

Watch out for all of our first responders on the highways as we work vehicle accidents. Don't be distracted and please slow down.



Hill Country Community Action: Services for young and old

Serving a 17-county area, Hill Country Community Action is a private, non-profit organization. Including Gatesville and Coryell County, the organization provides services to the elderly and to low-income children and families. Those services include the following.

Head Start is a comprehensive child development program for low-income families designed to meet the needs of children ages 3 to 5, including children with disabilities. Components emphasized are education, health (medical, dental, and mental health) and social services. Parent involvement is an essential part of the program. Head Start represents an organized method of assisting families to assess their needs. Special needs children receive a full range of Head Start developmental services.

RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) provides civic participation and volunteer service opportunities to people 55 years and older. There are no restrictions based on education, income or experience, nor any membership dues. Last year, RSVP volunteers provided over 9,000 hours of service in Gatesville.

Nutrition services are provided for people 60 years old and older through the Gatesville Senior Center. Meals are served Monday through Friday at the Center and also are delivered to eligible individuals. The Senior Center also provides outreach, counseling, information and referrals, arts and crafts, recreation, physical fitness, instruction and training, and other special emphasis services and activities.

CEAP (Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program) assists low-income households who seek assistance with their home energy bills.

Weatherization provides energy conservation measures to help eligible families reduce fuel consumption for heating and cooling. Health and safety instruction is provided, as well as checking homes for the presence of carbon monoxide.

To learn more about these services, contact Hill Country Community Action at 325-372-5167, E-mail hccaainc@hccaa.com, or go online to www.hccaa.com.



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GATESVILLE FITNESS CENTER

The Gatesville Fitness Center, located at 203 N. 34th St., offers group classes, cardiovascular equipment, weights, racquetball, and an indoor pool and hot tub. Membership information and hours of operation may be found on gatesvilletx.com.

2022 HOLIDAY RACE SERIES

Sign up for one or all three of these holiday-themed runs. T-shirts and awards will be presented. Contact the Fitness Center at 254-865-4012 for more information.

- October 15 - Halloween Fun Run, 5K, Kids K and Costume Contest
- November 19 - Feastmode 5K Race
- December 17 - Santa Sprint 5K, 10K and Kids K

HOST A WINTER POOL PARTY

The Center offers pool parties on Saturdays and Sundays from 6-8 p.m. Visit the center and our friendly front desk associate can provide more information.



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POLICE DEPARTMENT

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The Gatesville Police Department will host a National Night Out event on Tuesday, Oct. 4, from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Gatesville Sports Complex.

The free event is open to the entire community and will offer hot dogs, cold drinks, ice cream, shaved ice, cotton candy, face painting, inflatable play stations and more. Law enforcement, soldiers from Fort Hood, local first responders and other non-profit organizations will also be on-hand with activities, information and giveaway items.

National Night Out is a police/community partnership designed to increase drug and crime prevention awareness. The event aims to enhance the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. This will mark the seventh year that Gatesville has participated in this event. It continues to grow each year with a crowd of over 600 anticipated.

NO SHAVE NOVEMBER RAISES FUNDS FOR FOOD FOR FAMILIES

Gatesville Police Officers will once again take on a new look this November. Our lack of hygiene will be for a good cause, though.



We are laying down the razor to raise both awareness and donations for the Gatesville Area Food For Families Drive, which will be held on Nov. 19.

Participating officers pay a fee for the opportunity to forgo the razor during the month of November.

We also encourage you to sponsor an officer's beard by making a monetary donation at the Gatesville Police Department, 200 N. 8th Street. The officer sporting the most "profitable" beard will be allowed to keep his beard until Jan. 1. All proceeds collected are donated to the Gatesville Care Center via the Food For Families Drive.

CRIME STOPPERS OFFERS CASH REWARDS

If you have any information about any case or any local crime, call Centex Crime Stoppers 24 hours a day at 1-254-865-8477 (TIPS) or visit www.Centexcrimestoppers.org or by downloading the "P3" mobile app available on both the Apple app store and Google Play Store. You never have to give your name, and if your information leads to an arrest, you may be eligible for a cash reward.

COMMON CODE ENFORCEMENT ISSUES

Garage Sales - Citizens are allowed to hold no more than two (2) garage sales per year. No permit is required. You may put a garage sale sign in your yard, but city ordinances prohibit placing signs on any right-of-way or attaching signs to street signs or utility poles.

Dogs - Any dog kept within the city limits of Gatesville must be issued a license through the Gatesville Police Department. Applicants should bring proof of rabies vaccination when registering for a license. The annual license application fee is \$2.00. A tag will be issued and should be attached to the dog's collar.

Parking on Street - Vehicles, trailers and boats may not be parked on the street for longer than 72 hours.

Grass & Weeds - Grass and weeds over 12 inches tall in yards or lots is a code violation and may result in notification and subsequent citation.



CRIME PREVENTION

COMMUNITY INFO

CITY OF GATESVILLE

Population: 16,135
Elevation: 807 feet above sea level

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

City Hall	254-865-8951
Police Department	254-865-2226
Public Library	254-865-5367
Fitness Center	254-865-4012



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Updated information about city services, your city government, public notices, news and ordinances can be found on the website. A digital version of this magazine is also available there.

OTHER HELPFUL WEBSITES

Coryell County Government: www.coryellcounty.org
Gatesville Independent School District: www.gatesvilleisd.org
Convention and Visitors Bureau: www.Visit-GatesvilleTX.com
Gatesville Messenger: www.gatesvillemessenger.com

WORK FOR THE CITY OF GATESVILLE

The City of Gatesville frequently has openings in various City departments such as Street Department (equipment operators); Parks and Recreation (full and part time); Gatesville Police Department (officers and dispatchers) and more. The City of Gatesville offers competitive pay, group health insurance, and retirement through TML.

Visit the City of Gatesville website then click on How Do I?, then Find Job Listings.

CODE RED EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

The City of Gatesville has implemented the Code Red emergency notifications system to better inform citizens in the event of an emergency situation, such as a natural disaster, national emergency, hazardous chemical spill, or other potential danger. Citizens may also be alerted by this same system in the event that they are affected by a water break or if a water boil order is imposed by the City.



To sign up, go to gatesvilletx.com, click on How Do I? then on "Sign up for Emergency Notifications." Scan the QR code to go directly to the sign-up form.

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