

COUNTY NEWSLETTER

“Always keep your eyes open. Keep watching. Because whatever you see can inspire you.” Grace Coddington



NEW YEAR, NEW OFFICIALS

Frio County welcomes newly elected officials, while also saying farewell to some.

Wishing 2021 to be a better year as Frio County needs you.

UPCOMING EVENTS

All Frio County Employees including Elected/Appointed Officials, and Departmental Heads are required to complete TAC's yearly State Mandated Cybersecurity Course. A link to register for the certified course has been sent to employee emails. The deadline to complete the course is June 14, 2021, please submit certifications to the County Auditor.



Valentine's Day Sale

The Frio County Holiday Committee will be selling Valentine's Day gifts from February 8th to 12th. Roses, bake goods, and other Valentine's items will be sold at the Frio County Courthouse, Sheriff's Department and at Road & Bridge. With every purchase, buyers will be entered into a raffle to win a tote bag.

Frio County 2nd Annual Toy & Food Drive



“Record Breaking”

This year’s 2nd annual toy & food drive was a huge success! Frio County was able to donate toys and food to families in Pearsall, Dilley, Moore, Derby and Bigfoot. With donations from all Frio County Employees & Officials, we were able to give back to 50 families county wide.

To all Frio County Employees and Officials “Thank You” for donating to help give back to the community, and making this year’s Toy & Food Drive memorable! We wouldn’t have been able to make this event happen without the donations of our wonderful Frio County Employees and Officials.

EMPLOYEE BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY

Alex Ramirez	03
Velma Pruitt	04
Kimberlyn Benavides	04
Katrina Calvillo	05
Aliza Briseno	07
Jocelin Villarreal	10
Raquel Mendez	15
Rudy Ramirez	17
Bryan Jackson	17
Dixie Richards	19
Lee Ann Martinez	19
Mary Perez	20
Homer Garcia	21
Rene Ramon	24



FEBRUARY

Gilbert Morales	01
Ester Leal	01
Joseph Sindon	01
Delma Aguirre	02
Oflia Trevino	07
Matthew Cuellar	10
Hope Ruiz	21
James Sindon	23



MARCH

Myra Martinez	02
Esmeralda Cano	03
Celia Dunn	04
Patricia Hernandez	05
Gloria Balderrama	12
Delia Telfer	13
James Dubose	24
Kassandra Benavidez	26

Employee of the Quarter



Criselda Marquez

EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARIES

10 Years

Jesus Cuevas 1/1/2011
 Lauro Flores 1/1/2011



5+ Years

Hope Ruiz 9/1/2011	Carlos Segura 11/4/2013
Joseph Sindon 10/1/2011	Joe Hernandez Jr. 2/16/2014
Angela Carrasco 12/7/2011	Ray Kallio 3/1/2014
Esperanza Zapata 2/16/2012	Ofilia Trevino 4/1/2014
Jaaziel Castro 3/1/2012	Gloria Elizondo 9/1/2014
Michelle Maldonado 4/10/2012	Sylvia Santos 9/1/2014
Ronnie Ramon 2/1/2013	Dixie Richards 10/1/2014
Rochelle Camacho 6/17/2013	Reyes Leal 10/20/2014
Rudy Ortegon 10/1/2013	Jocelin Villarreal 1/5/2015
Maria Perez 10/1/2013	Marcy Aguilar 3/1/2015
Gloria Balderrama 10/23/2013	Jonathan Esquivel 12/26/2015

FRIO COUNTY EMPLOYEE TRAININGS

Harassment Training

Employees were given information on all scopes of harassment at the workplace. Thanksgiving lunch “to go” was provided to all participating employees. We will like to say “Thank You” to Judge Luna, Frio County Holiday Committee, and Frio County Auditor’s Office for providing employees with a Thanksgiving lunch.



W.C. Safety Training Presented by Edwards Risk Management

This year’s annual safety training provided safety awareness targeting how to prevent Slips, Trips & Falls in the workplace. It also highlighted “The Right Perspective on COVID-19”, encouraging workers to form a mindset that motivates them to protect themselves and others against the virus. Christmas lunch and door prizes were provided to all Frio County Employees and Officials.

THANK YOU!

We will like to recognize the Elected, Appointed Officials & Department Heads, who donated to this year's Christmas Luncheon, and the Toy & Food Drive!

Commissioner Pct. 2 Richard Graf	County Judge Arnulfo C. Luna
Commissioner Pct. 4 Jose Asuncion	Emergency Mang. Coordinator Ray Kallio
Constable Pct. 2 Rudy Ortegon	H. R. Director Mary Perez
County Attorney Joseph Sindon	J.P. # 1 Shanna Gates
County Auditor Crystal Marquez	J.P. # 2 James Sindon
County Clerk Aaron Ibarra	J.P. # 3 Susan Belding
County Engineer Roxana Garcia	Tax Collector Anna Alaniz
District Clerk Ofilia Trevino	WIC Director Tammy Hernandez
Elections Administrator Carlos Segura	Commissioner Pct. 1 Joe Vela
Former Commissioner Pct. 1 Vickie Camacho	Commissioner Pct. 3 Raul Carrizales
Former Constable Pct. 1 Rick Ramirez	

WIC NEWS

FRIO COUNTY DRIVE THRU SPRING EVENT

Frio County Drive Thru Spring Event

March 18, 2021 9am to 1 pm
 @ City Of Dilley Park in Dilley, Texas
 Event will be Drive Thru ONLY!

Hosted by Frio County WIC
 Come Out and Join San Antonio Food Bank, AACOG, LatchedSupport, Texas AgriLife, Frio Regional Hospital, Methodist HealthCare Ministries, Farmer's Market hosted by San Antonio Farmer's Market Association, Pearsall Health Dept. and Dilley PD

Music by: DJ Angel Martinez "DJ Jefe"

FREE DIAPER GIVEAWAY

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PLEASE REGISTER ON THE LINK BELOW

<https://forms.gle/tepjzoFBx4Kik6Vy9>

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

The Frio County Auditor and WIC offices showed their support for Breast Cancer Awareness Month in October by participating in the #PinkOutFrioCounty.



FALL PUMPKIN PAINTING CONTEST WINNERS



Winners: Extension Office (A Starry Night)
 Juvenile Probation (Rub a Dub Dub)
 Road & Bridge: Anthony's Crew (Gum Ball Machine)
Grand Prize: County Clerk (A Nightmare Before Christmas)



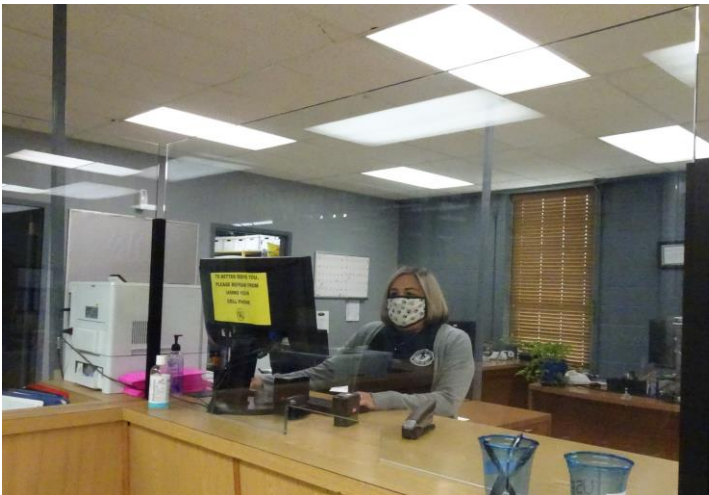
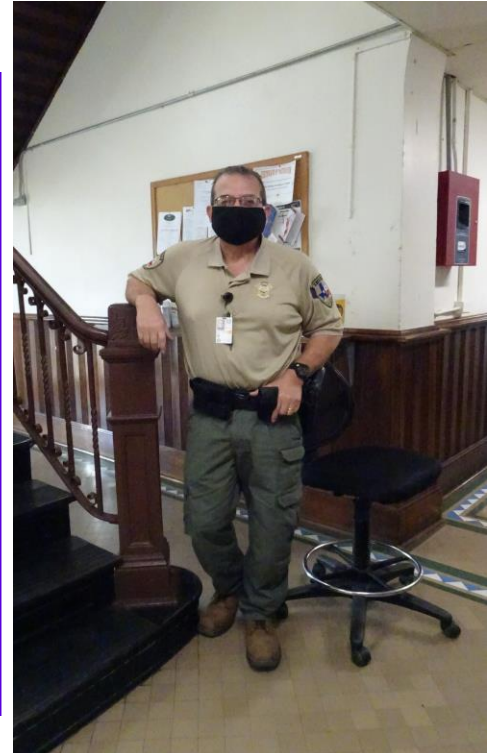
STAY SAFE, FRIO COUNTY NEEDS YOU!

Frio County is continuing to follow CDC Covid-19 Guidelines

Wash your hands with soap and water or use hand sanitizer.

Wear a face mask/covering in public places.

Social distance 6ft. from others.



Alliance Work Partners

We Can Help

Your Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is designed to help you deal with life's stresses and a variety of personal problems. For confidential services that are offered at no cost to all employees and their families, call and ask to speak to a counselor.

Toll free:
800-343-3822
TDD:
800-448-1823

EAP Teen Line:
800-344-8336
Website:
www.awpnow.com

first time log in website code: AWP-TACHEBP-4661

WELCOME TO THE COUNTY

NEW COUNTY EMPLOYEES

Peter Salinas

Sheriff's Department - Chief Deputy

John Meyer

Sheriff's Department - Jail Administrator

Joshua Longoria

Sheriff's Department - Deputy

Matthew Cuellar

Sheriff's Department - Deputy

Manuel Ruiz

Sheriff's Department - Deputy

Richie Gandara

Sheriff's Department - Deputy

Jennifer L. Hernandez

Sheriff's Department - Executive Admin. Assistant

Aliza Briseno

Sheriff's Department - Jailer

Juan Saucedo

Sheriff's Department - Jailer

Jessenia Espinoza

Sheriff's Department. - Jailer

Cynthia Ibarra

Road & Bridge - Admin. Assistant

Pete Hernandez

Road & Bridge - Crew Chief

Jose Aguilar

Road & Bridge - Road Tech II

Mark Hernandez

Road & Bridge - Road Tech I

Justin Roberson

Road & Bridge - Road Tech I

Tommy Navarro

Building Maintenance - Supervisor

Veronica Ramon

Building Maintenance - Maintenance I Seasonal

Lavinia Rendon

JP2 - Temporary Clerk

GINGERBREAD HOUSE
DECORATING CONTEST

WINNERS:

*WIC

*HUMAN
RESOURCES

*BUILDING
MAINTENANCE



Employee Years of Service Awards

20 Years – Juan M. Gonzales 15 Years – Tammy Hernandez 15 Years – Eliverto Elizondo



15 Years – Anna Alaniz



15 Years – Delia Telfer



10 Years – Richard Graf



10 Years – Crystal Marquez



5 Years – Marcy Aguilar



5 Years – Jonathan Esquivel



Not Pictured: Yselda Gonzales – 15 Years, and Jocelyn Villarreal – 5 Years

Sheriff's Department



Looking ahead to a brighter future...

The facade of the Sheriff's office received a fresh coat of paint, giving it a much-needed makeover.

ROAD & BRIDGE SPECIAL PROJECTS



Rolling out with new safety measures

Radio Lane

Covid efforts continue as Frio County medical supplies are being stored in the "back in service" Radio Lane facility.

Bigfoot Park

Ready for Spring Breakers, the Bigfoot basketball court acquired a facelift.



Continuing the Commitment

Taking their Official Oath, County Attorney Joseph Sindon, County Clerk Aaron Ibarra, and Constable Pct. 2 Rudy Ortegon are sworn in by Commissioner Pct. 2 Richard Graf on January 1, 2021.

Not pictured: County Tax Assessor/Collector, Anna Alaniz. This will be Anna's 4th term in office.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR COUNTY'S NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS



Newly Elected Officials were sworn in on January 1, 2021 by Commissioner Pct # 2 Richard Graf.



Frio County Welcomes!
Frio County Commissioner Pct. 1, Joe Vela.



Frio County Welcomes!
Frio County Constable Pct. 1, Joe Ramirez

Frio County Welcomes!
Frio County Sheriff, Mike Morse.



Frio County Welcomes!
Frio County Commissioner Pct. 3, Raul Carrizales



Frio County Welcomes!
Frio County Constable Pct. 3, Daniel Zapata

FAREWELL



After serving Frio County for almost 20 years, Commissioner Ruben Maldonado retired with great admiration as Frio County Commissioner Pct. 3.

On Commissioners' Court in December 14, 2020, Frio County Judge Arnulfo C. Luna, honored Commissioner Maldonado with a custom clock plaque.

For 15 years, Constable Teddy Nieto proudly served the Frio County citizens of Precinct 3. Constable Nieto has been a great asset to our community and we greatly appreciate his service and commitment.



Frio County Judge, Arnulfo C. Luna presents Constable Nieto with a plaque provided by fellow Precinct 3 official Justice of the Peace Susan Ruiz-Belding.



Frio County Justice of the Peace Pct 1, Shanna Gates presented both Commissioner Pct. 1, Vickie Camacho, and Constable Pct. 1, Rick Ramirez with Honorary Plaques thanking them for their years of service to the citizens of Frio County Precinct. 1.

Rick Ramirez served Frio County for nearly 20 years.

Vickie Camacho served as Commissioner for 4 years.