

Code Enforcement Staff Receives 1st Place State Award from KTB

Code Enforcement has been working with property owners to continue improving the appearance of the city's major roadways as well as keep neighborhoods looking their best. This includes enforcement of standards on high grass and weeds, parking on grass, junk vehicles, outside storage and the misuse of signs.

Since October, Code Enforcement has:

- Resolved 8,298 code cases
- Removed 10,827 temporary signs
- Completed 50 windshield surveys of neighborhoods
- Closed 125 Building and Standards cases
- Demolished 32 substandard buildings
- Achieved risk rating improvements on 42 multifamily properties

Award Recognition

The Code Enforcement Department received first place in the Government Awards division at the 43rd Annual Keep Texas Beautiful (KTB) Conference held June 21-24 in Austin. The award recognizes outstanding contributions to the Texas environment that have been made by government departments, divisions or agencies. Code Enforcement Director Guy Henry accepted the award on behalf of the City of Irving.

Resident Appreciation

A new initiative also is catching a lot of buzz—code enforcement officers have new “thank you” door hangers they are leaving on the doors of residents who are going above and beyond to beautify the city. When code employees see a home that clearly enhances a neighborhood, they leave the door hanger that states, “Because you take pride in your property, Irving is a nicer place to live.”

Volunteer Service Projects

The Code Enforcement Department also partners with Great Days of Service to help residents in need. City volunteers take on home restoration projects to help homeowners who need help meeting code standards. Great Days of Service volunteers completed 21 projects this year within a four-day period at no cost to residents.