

Overview of Dallas Police Department Community Outreach Programming

Public Safety Committee December 8, 2025

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PRESENTATION OVERVIEW



- Youth Outreach
- Personal Safety Programs
- Community Events
- Estimated Associated Costs
- 2026 Initiatives





- · Lead-Her-Ship David W. Carter High School
- Newly implemented under Chief Comeaux
- 8-month program for Freshmen girls in P-tech program
- Offers mentorship, leadership development, personal growth, and community engagement
- Students gain public speaking skills, conflict mediation and self confidence





- Girl Empowerment at Ceder Crest Community Center
- Newly implemented under Chief Comeaux
- Monthly after school program for girls 7-13 years of age
- Mentorship from female DPD personnel
- Life skills, bullying prevention, confidence building, crime reporting
- Goal to reach 100 girls annually





Police Activity League(PAL) Boxing

- Two Officers dedicated to the program
- Over 100 male and female participants
- Janie C. Turner (Elam Rd) & Forest Audelia (Forest Lane)
- Co-ed program for youths between the ages of 8-18 years of age
- 2025 monthly average of 375 kinds per month
- Two nationally and regionally ranked boxers in the program





- Dallas Police Youth Soccer CAMP: Historic Cotton Bowl
- DPD soccer team, local professionals and State Fair of Texas
- Locally sponsored, and admission is free
- Participants learn teamwork and gain positive interaction with law enforcement
- Participant receive gift bag and new soccer ball
- Since inception in 2022, over 600 local children.





Dallas Police Explorers:

- Ages 14-21 years of age, currently 40 active
- Meet twice weekly at DPD Academy
- In partnership with Boy Scout's of America
- Participated in three statewide competitions in 2025
- Former Explorer advisors and (1) currently in Academy
- Working with Civil Service to amend DPD recruiting standards



PERSONAL SAFETY PROGRAMS



Senior Citizen Safety Workshops:

- Two workshops in 2025, Pleasant Grove and West Dallas.
- Created to enhance the quality-of-life Sr residents of Dallas
- Topics include elder abuse, family violence, financial crimes/fraud
- Partnered with DPD Detectives, Dallas Community College, and Dallas County Health & Human Services
- This program has reached over 500 senior residents since 2022.



PERSONAL SAFETY PROGRAMS



Girl Talk Safety Presentation

- Launched in 2022, to support of Afghan refugee High School Students
- In collaboration with International Rescue Committee
- Four (3) hour sessions per year
- Internet safety, drug awareness, victim prevention, and crime reporting
- Since inception, over 500 girls and women of all ages.
- January 2026, at Harmony School of Innovation Leadership Club



PERSONAL SAFETY PROGRAMS



- SAFE (Secure Action for Faith Environments):
- Active shooter training for religious institutions.
- Increase safety preparedness and awareness within places of worship.
- Offered to staff members and congregation ages 21+
- Business Robbery Symposiums
- Business owners and managers
- Offers education and crime prevention tips
- In partnership with District Attorney, City Attorney, and DPD Investigative Units
- Safety fair for businesses



COMMUNITY EVENTS



- Back to School Health and Safety Fair:
- Over 7500 stuffed backpacks distributed in the last 3 years.
- Students receive sports physicals, immunizations, and haircuts
- Families can receive blood pressure, blood sugar, and dental screenings
- Since it's inception in 2020, over 15,000 residents have been served



COMMUNITY EYENTS



Turkey and Food Distribution:

- Annual event, Saturday before Thanksgiving
- All items donated and sponsored by local businesses and non-profits
- On average, over 600 meals distributed annually
- Christmas Food Distribution:
- Annual event at Paul Quinn College
- All items donated and sponsored by local businesses and non-profits
- Paul Quinn students heavily involved with coordination and volunteer duties



ESTIMATED ASSOCIATED COSTS



- PAL LeadHerShip: \$2500 (materials, graduation)
- Girl Empowerment: \$1000 (materials, snacks)
- PAL Boxing: \$30000 annually (offset non-profits)
- Soccer Camp: \$3200 (Material, equipment, snacks)
- Police Explorers: \$32000 annually (offset non-profits)
- Robbery Symposium: \$1000
- Back to School: \$2500 supplement supplies (donations >\$15000)
- Thanksgiving/Christmas Food drives: \$2500 supplement (>\$10000 donations)



2026 INITIATIVES



- Collaboration with Roy Jones Jr World Boxing Champion:
- PAL students, weekly visit at Roy Jones Jr boxing center
- Coaching and fitness tips
- Parents will receive heath and financial planning resources
- Ask a Cop Pop-Up:
- Informal pop-up events at various businesses
- Non-enforcement setting to foster trust with younger generation
- Utilizes social media platforms to target a broader audience





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