

# Dallas Urban Heat Island Mapping Study

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## **Study Participants**









- 7<sup>th</sup> year of the study, mapping over 70 cities
- NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration)
- NIHHIS (National Integrated Heat Health Information System)
- CAPA Strategies
- City of Dallas, Office of Environmental Quality
- Report from CAPA Strategies & NOAA in about 70 days (mid October)
   Dallas Environmental Quality & Sustainability



## **Purpose & Benefits of UHI Study**



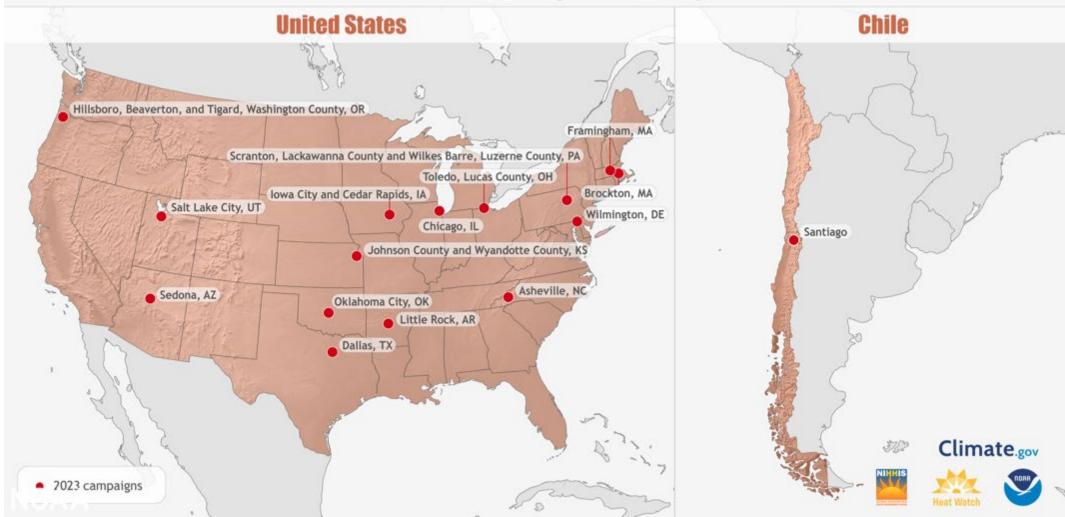
- Purpose: Looking for equitable ways to implement cooling solutions in our communities, and identify the hotspots
- The sensors record temperature, humidity, time and the volunteers' location every second
- Helps local decision-makers take actions to reduce the health impacts of extreme heat, which often target the most vulnerable
- Tells us how to prepare for extreme heat, and provides possible solutions: such as:
  - ✓ Enhanced tree planting strategies,
  - √ The location of new public shelters for cooling relief,
  - ✓ Develop heat action plans
  - ✓ Educate residents and policymakers
  - ✓ Inform new research



## 2023 Cohort



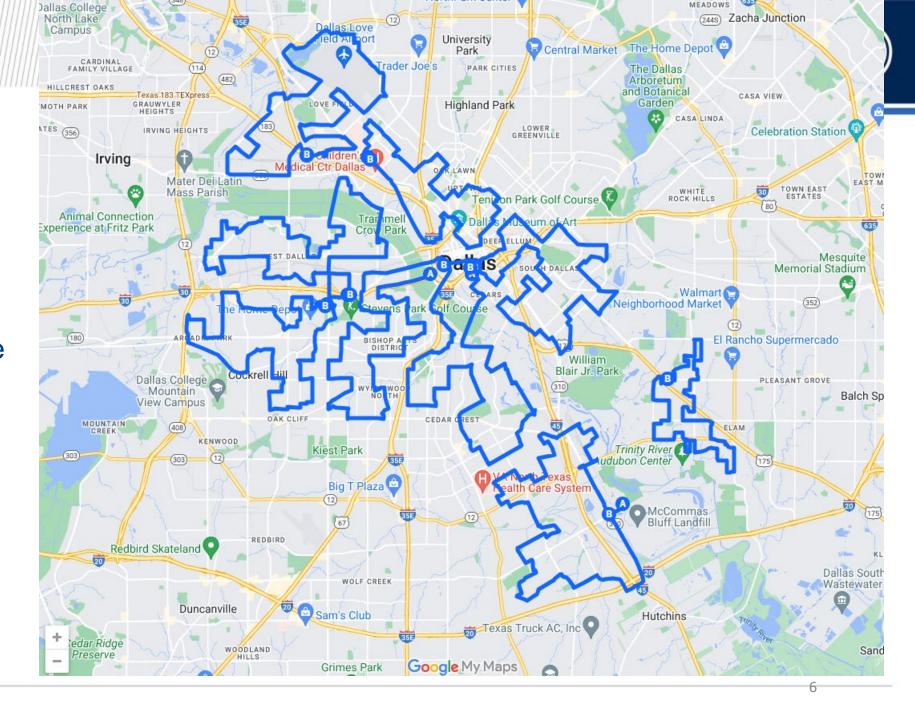
#### **NOAA Urban Heat Island Mapping Campaigns: 2023 Locations**





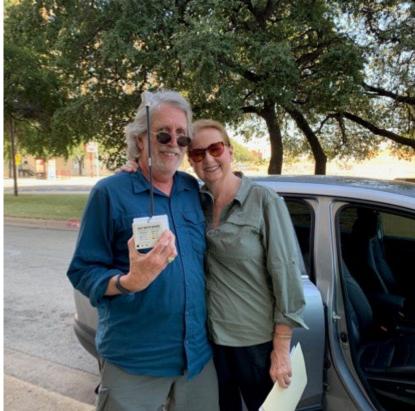
### City of Dallas Study Area

- Nine routes 70 volunteers
- Each Route ~ 20 miles
- Driver & navigator for each route
- Data recorded for one hour
- Each route driven three times on the day of the study
- First trip 6:00 am to 7:00 am
- Second trip 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm
- Third trip 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm











#### **Our Volunteers**

Includes couples, individuals, students, city staff, even commissioners

Media coverage:

https://www.cbsnews.com/texas/news/da llas-leaders-volunteers-team-with-noaato-uncover-citys-hot-spots/?intcid=CNM-00-10abd1h





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