

Friday, July 2, 2021



The City has updated its **Remote Work Policy** to outline the approval process and parameters of remote work arrangements. The attached policy is a tool for departments to use as a guide to make decisions regarding the appropriate use of remote work options (where applicable). **Effective July 1, 2021, this policy will replace the previous Appendix P to the Human Resources Manual**. Should you have any questions regarding remote work, please contact your direct

supervisor. The new policy is attached.



The **grand opening of Fire Station 7 in the Berry Farms** area was a huge success. A couple hundred people showed up for the free tour, with snow cones a wet down ceremony and much more. It was a great celebration of a partnership with Williamson County. Special thanks to our Facilities Manager **Brad Wilson and Chief Glenn Johnson** for shepherding this project from concept to completion. Also kudos to **Jamie Melton** who planned the ceremony and event. As you can see from the photos the general public enjoyed themselves immensely!

Thousands are expected to attend the popular **Franklin on the Fourth** celebration on the square happening Sunday, July 4th, in Franklin and sponsored by the **Franklin Lions Club**. Festivities begin at 11:00 a.m. with music, food and craft vendors, antique cars, and much more. Entertainment includes an Old Time Bluegrass Gospel Hour at 12 Noon and headliner, the Jason Lee McKinney Band, who goes on stage at 6:30 p.m. The event will also feature a Children's Patriotic Parade at 5:00 p.m. Entrants must be registered for the parade before 4:45 p.m. at the Lions Club booth on the Square. There will be prizes for best costume and decorated bikes and wagons. Pets are welcome.

The Park at Harlinsdale is the prime spot for viewing the fireworks show. The show is sponsored by **WAKM** and the **City of Franklin**. **Friends of Franklin Parks** is hosting the community in the Tractor Supply Co. Arena featuring live music, concessions for purchase, beer tents, and a kid's area featuring old fashioned kids games and crafts. The band, Everyday People, will begin at 6:00 p.m. The Park will open to fireworks viewers at 5 p.m. Fireworks will start at approximately 9 p.m. (dark). We are expecting up to 10,000 attendees at this year's fireworks show.

In honor of the **20**th **Anniversary of 9/11**, we are teaming up with government agencies across Middle Tennessee to collect at least 2,977 pints of blood as a tribute to the 2,977 innocent lives lost on September 11, 2001. This initiative is called "**Remembering the Badges Blood Drive**." Our drive is scheduled for **August 4**th in the **City Hall Training Room**. To make an appointment, you can go to the online scheduling system at www.redcrossblood.org. and enter sponsor code: FranklinTN19. You can streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting www.RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.





"Each of these veteran officers has demonstrated that they possess the leadership, heart, and ability to serve our citizens well," said Chief Faulkner. "I congratulate them on this next chapter in their career and know that they look forward to serving the Franklin community in new ways."

Promoted to the rank of Captain:

Rick Clouse

Promoted to the rank of Lieutenant:

Matt Smalley, Clayton Cates, and Aaron Compton

Promoted to the rank of Sergeant:

Robert Dilworth, Brandon Sandrell, Kenneth Gibbs, and Adam Cohen

Promoted to the rank of Detective:

Samantha Brooks and Kyle Brink

Promoted to the rank of Master Patrol Officer:

Wes Johnson, Michael Oliver, and Clint Riggs

Below is a Thank You note for Electrical Inspector Jared Carter in our Building and Neighborhood Services Department. Good work, Jared!

Jared, Just wanted to thank you for your help on the inspections @ 1109 Del Rio. That was my first electrical in Franklin, so sometimes it is a challenge knowing what every inspector is looking for. Especially appreciated the written notes and the notes left on the framing. Very helpful in getting everything sorted out and addressed for

you. Hopefully I will pass on the first round with the final. Thanks again and have a great weekend!!—Wil Watkins



Welcome to a new employee! **Tracy Thompson, Grounds Worker, Parks Department**Tracy is from Columbia. He is married and has 2 kids, dogs and horses. In his spare time, Tracy enjoys riding horses and Team Rope. Tracy went to Nashville Auto Diesel School and was previously self-employed.

Here is the COVID-19 case update for Thursday (7/01/21)

Key Changes:

Up 193 More positive cases day over day in the State of Tennessee (867,157 total positive cases)

Up 102 More active cases day over day in the State of Tennessee (1,967 total active cases)

Up 7 More positive cases day over day in Williamson County (28,659 total positive cases)

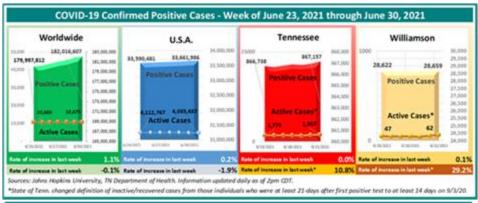
Up 6 More active cases day over day in Williamson County (62 total active cases)

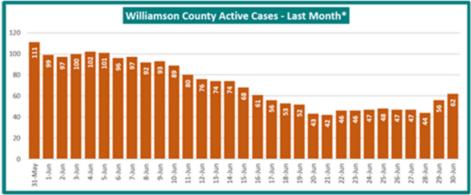
Level Williamson County share of total positive cases within Tennessee at 3.3%

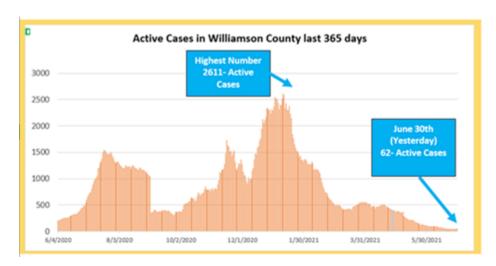
Level Percent Positive / Total Tested at **11.49%**

Level Williamson County **Sixth** highest # of positive cases in Tennessee

Level No New deaths in Williamson County (218 total deaths)







A BIG thanks to all who will be working over the holiday and supporting the community festivities. Hope you all get a chance to enjoy the holiday with your family and friends! Thanks for *all* you do!





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