

Friday, December 10, 2021

Today is the deadline to contribute to our United Way Campaign. We are keeping the

"Give a Day. Serve a Day. Get a Day." campaign. If you give a contribution of at least \$100 or more to United Way (I'd challenge you to consider giving the equivalent of one day's pay), and commit to volunteer at least 8 hours over the next year with your chosen cause (i.e. – non-profit, church, school,



etc.), you can receive an EXTRA personal day in 2022. The additional personal day will be awarded on January 1, 2022 and must be used during the 2022 calendar year. Here's the details:

- ➤ Your 2022 pledge to United Way can take the form of a payroll deduction (spread over 26 paychecks in 2022) or as a one-time contribution, which ever works best for you. The minimum pledge to qualify is \$100. You should make your financial pledge using the attached United Way Pledge Form or request a form from Administration or Human Resources.
- ➤ We ask that you sign a 2022 volunteer pledge that includes your name, department, and the cause/organization(s) that you are committing to dedicate at least 8 hours of volunteer time (non-work hours) this coming year (attached). The choice of where and how you volunteer is up to you. You may also want to work with other City team members to volunteer as a group. If you are looking for some ideas, United Way has an online volunteer resource:
 - www.unitedwaygreaternashville.org/volunteer-opportunities/
- Once you have made both your United Way pledge and your volunteer pledge you will be credited with an additional personal day on January 1, 2022. The personal day must be used during the 2022 calendar year.



The "Give a Day. Serve a Day. Get a Day." campaign runs through TODAY. Both the pledge form and the Give a Day form will need to be returned to Human Resources. If you are submitting via e-mail, please send both forms to scarleth.chavez@franklintn.gov. Once you have made your pledge, we would love to see a selfie of you and/or a team photo with your pledge form. This would be a great way for us to show pride in this gift to the community. Just send the photo to me or Monique McCullough. Our Special Event Fun Day for United Way will be in early 2022. Stay tuned for more information.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to give back to the community.

Three **Franklin Police Officers** were honored this week by the Mothers Against Drunk Driving group. **Officer Aaron Moore, MPO Wes Johnson and MPO Mike Oliver** received awards. They work the midnight shift. Their directed patrols on our main thoroughfares have led them to make many arrests for impaired driving. They were nominated and selected for this honor due to their tireless work to stop drunk drivers in our City/State.

We have a couple nice thank you notes today, one for **Building and Neighborhood Services**, **Sanitation and Environmental Services** and one **from Santa to our Communications Department!** (how great is it that our Communications team got a letter *from* Santa during his busiest time of year!)

Milissa, Thank you so much for the opportunity to participate in Franklin's Christmas Tree Lighting Event. Walking through the square, toward Santa's bench and looking out was amazingly awesome. It was the largest production that I have been a part of. All the lights in the trees, all the people was breathtaking. The kids were fantastic, and I had a lot of fun. I had been worried about asking you about the video. I had checked the city's website several times and couldn't find the video anywhere. I swallowed hard, and accepted the fact that I had probably messed up my part, to the point that the video wasn't usable. Much to my surprise, as we were snapping pictures with



the kids, I heard the Matthew reading his lines, looked up and saw the video on the big screen. The little kid in me jumped with joy. You and your team were absolutely wonderful to work with. The photographer was so patient with the children. The pictures and video are the icing on the cake. I have already shared the video with my family and friends.

Christmas Blessings Bob Lampert (Santa)

This was a compliment to the **Sanitation and Environmental Services Department**: A customer on Rivergate Drive called in and told **Angela Jackson** that "he wanted to thank the guy **(Ulanda Lucas)** driving the truck that picked up all three piles of branches he put out to the curb. He wasn't for sure if it would be picked up. He said the piles were gone before he got up this morning. He said, "I am so very thankful that it was picked up."

To **Mark Pagan and Tom Marsh** and the **BNS Department**, Thank you for all you do to assist and serve the community around Franklin TN. The Stream Valley HOA greatly appreciated all the time and effort your team **(Mark and Kristen Lenkowski)** has given to make our little home in Franklin a beautiful and peaceful place. With Many Thanks! -- **Stream Valley HOA**

Welcome to our newest City team members!



Andrew Garcia, Police Officer

Andrew is originally from San Diego, California. He enjoys golfing, working out, watching sports and hanging out with his dog, Colt. Andrew previously worked for Callaway Golf.

Marco Coronel, Police Officer

Marco is from Atlanta, Georgia. He is married and has two children. Marco enjoys coaching his son's baseball team and cheering for the Atlanta Braves. Marco previously worked for Williamson Medical Center.

Tyler Penrod, Police Officer

Tyler is from Cattaraugus, New York. He is married and has a daughter due this month! Tyler enjoys working out, reading and listening to Christian books and participating in outdoor activities. Tyler previously worked as a Combat Marksmanship Trainer.

Scott Billingsby, Police Officer

Scott is from West Tennessee, Dresden. He enjoys golfing, exercising, skeet shooting and farming. Scott has a Bachelor's in Criminal Justice and previously worked for Metro-Nashville Police Department.

Samuel DeLoach, Police Officer

Samuel is from Nashville and is the youngest of four children. He enjoys reading, working out, cooking, hiking and Airsoft. Samuel has his Bachelor's in Criminal Justice and previously worked as a Security officer – First Class Security.

Shane Large, Police Officer

Shane is from Spring Hill. He enjoys playing guitar, hiking, camping, shooting and hanging out with his two dogs. Shane is in the National Guard and previously worked for Nashville Gun and Knife.

Christopher Doyle, Police Officer

Christopher is from Manorville, New York. He enjoys exercising, cycling, learning new trades and cheering for his favorite team, the Boston Bruins. Christopher has an Associate's degree and previously worked for NYPD.

Alison Johnson, Billing/Collections Technician, Revenue Management

Alison is originally from Fayetteville, TN but has lived in Franklin for 19 years. She is married and has two children, ages 18 and 21. Alison has a B.S. in Civil Engineering and previously worked for Hearing Services of Franklin.

Keith Lopez, Maintenance Worker, Street

Keith is originally from Arizona. He enjoys working out, reading and going to Church. Keith previously worked for Publix.

From the **Human Resources Department**:



Our annual **Holiday Breakfast** will be held on **December 16**th **in City Hall from 6:30AM – 9:00AM!** The holidays are upon us and our **Leadership Team** has come up with our Christmas competitions. The main competition will be a **Department Wreath Decorating Contest!** Please submit whether your department will participate and have your wreaths decorated by **December 10**th **to Scarleth Chavez in HR. Judges will go around beginning at 9:30AM on December 14**th. This

competition will take home the trophy and bragging rights ②! Emily Wright will be wearing our elf costume this year since the Planning Department won our last department contest! Another competition is the "Luau Contest" - Come dressed in your best Luau attire to get into the theme of this year's festivities. Let's pretend we are on the beach in warm weather. Our last competition "Name that Carol" - Grab your group of 4 people and send your names to Scarleth Chavez at scarleth.chavez@franklintn.gov to register your team. The competition will be live at the Holiday Breakfast. Hope you all can join us for the Christmas/Holiday cheer!

Here is the COVID-19 case update for Thursday (12/8/21)

Key Changes:

Up 2,207 More positive cases day over day in the State of Tennessee (1,331,703 total positive cases)

Up 676 More active cases day over day in the State of Tennessee (18,769 total active cases)

Up 82 More positive cases day over day in Williamson County (41,530 total positive cases)

Up 36 More active cases day over day in Williamson County (677 total active cases)

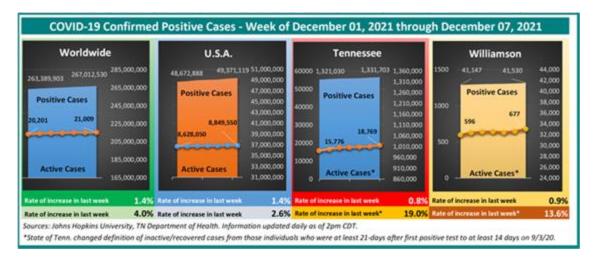
Level Williamson County share of total positive cases within Tennessee at **3.1**

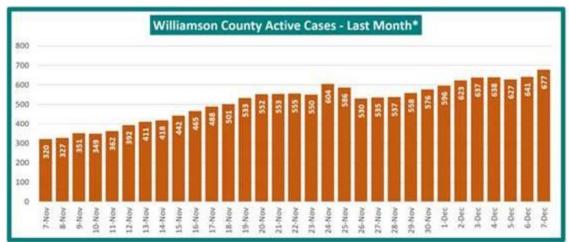
Level Percent Positive / Total Tested at 11.78%

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

Up One New deaths in Williamson County (**283** total deaths)

-Williamson County Community Transmission Status (CDC): High





That's it for now. Thanks for *all* you do! A special thank you to all our City team members that will be supporting the Dickens of a Christmas festival in downtown on Saturday and Sunday! Have a great weekend!





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