

# E-Brief 2022



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**Friday, October 7, 2022**

**Applications are now available for the 2023 City of Franklin Mentorship Program. *Deadline approaching soon!***

Go to Inside the City and click on the Mentorship Program tile on the right side. You will find answers to the most common questions and a fun video. The link to all documents is at the bottom of this page on the internal website. <https://franklintn.sharepoint.com/administration/SitePages/Mentorship-Program.aspx>

A couple notable items:

- Who is eligible?
  - To be a *Mentee* you need to have been employed at the City for at least six months.
  - To be a *Mentor* you should have at least three years of leadership experience, not necessarily at the City of Franklin or previously completed the City of Franklin Mentorship Program as a mentee.
- Come see us at the Mentorship booth at the Health Fair next week, October 12 at Eastern Flank.
- Supervisor approval is required. Be sure you get their signature on your application for whichever role you apply for.
- **Turn in applications to the HR office on or before October 17<sup>th</sup>.**

The **Health and Safety Fair** is **Wednesday, October 12, from 9am – 1pm at Eastern Flank Battlefield Park**. Parking is the same as last year and in the area over by Carnton and the Clubhouse. Please no parking in the grass. Those who wish to play Jeopardy, please report to the stage area at 12pm. Lunch from Jason's Deli will also be provided to those that wish to eat. We look forward to seeing everyone Wednesday!

**Land Planners Annette Dalrymple and Jason Arnold from the Planning and Sustainability Department** recently loaned their artistic talents to the **Franklin Fire Department!** They created a 3D chalk art drawing on Public Square to help promote the **Fire Prevention Week Chalk Art Contest**. Watch the video and see their masterpiece here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6tmkBBzgK2s!>

FRANKLIN FIRE DEPARTMENT

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**CHALK ART CONTEST**

ENTER FOR A CHANCE TO WIN ONE OF FIVE \$100 VISA GIFT CARDS For all ages!

Fire won't wait. Plan your escape.

www.franklintn.gov/FirePreventionWeek

**Southern Living features Franklin.** This week, Southern Living magazine released a new feature article focusing on Franklin as a fall travel destination. The six-page article is entitled, “**Franklin, Tennessee is a Magical Fall Destination**”. Here is the link to the article: <https://www.southernliving.com/travel/tennessee/things-to-do-franklin-tn>



**Ballfield ribbon-cutting set for November 4<sup>th</sup>.** A joint ribbon-cutting (or maybe a first pitch) for the ballfields at **Freedom Middle and Poplar Grove schools** is set for Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m. This event will celebrate the completion of the ballfield project and this unique partnership between the **Franklin Special School District and the City of Franklin.**

Recently the **Parks Department** had one of their Supervisors highlighted in the **Tennessee Turfgrass** publication. [2022 August September.pdf - Google Drive](#) Pages 14-20. John Wagon was listed as their TTA Member Spotlight for the August/September 2022 issue. **John is our Athletic Field and Turf Supervisor.**

Our next **Blood Drive** is scheduled for **today, October 7<sup>th</sup>**, in the **City Hall Training Room** from **9 a.m. until 2 p.m.** To make an appointment, you can scan the QR Code or go to the online scheduling system at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code: FranklinTN19. You can streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting [RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass](http://RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass) to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



**Welcome to some new City employees this week!**

				
<b>Teresa</b>	<b>Emily</b>	<b>Trevor</b>	<b>Rodger</b>	<b>Preston</b>

**Teresa Anderson, Principal Planner, Planning Department**

Teresa is originally from Naperville, Illinois which is a suburb of Chicago. Exciting news, Teresa is getting married next October! CONGRATULATIONS! Teresa attended the University of Illinois and studied Urban Planning. Teresa previously worked for the Tennessee Housing Development Agency.

**Emily Huffer, Assistant Preservation Planner, Planning Department**

Emily is from Decherd, Tennessee. In her free time, Emily enjoys spending time with family, friends and her dog, Buddy. Emily has a BA in History from MTSU and previously worked as a Research Assistant at Rutherford County Archives.

**Trevor French, Facilities & Maintenance Supervisor, Parks Department**

Trevor is originally from Memphis, Tennessee. Trevor enjoys hunting, fishing, spending time with family and training dogs for AKC Field Trials. Trevor attended Pellissippi State and previously worked for Allegheny Construction Specialties.



### **Rodger Stricklin, Water Operator I, Water Management Department**

Rodger is originally from St. Louis, Missouri but has lived in the area for 23 years. Rodger is married and has two girls, two dogs and one cat. In his free time, Rodger enjoys spending time with family, hunting, fishing and just being outdoors. Rodger previously worked for Aramark for 22 years.

### **Preston Welter, Wastewater Operator I, Water Management Department**

Preston is originally from Detroit Michigan (which makes him a HUGE Red Wings Fan!) and has been a resident in Spring Hill for eight years. Prior to working the City, Preston worked for the State of Tennessee.



**Sister Cities of Franklin and Williamson County** hosted a delegation from Franklin's sister city, Bad Soden am Taunus, Germany this week. There have been multiple student exchanges and visits of delegations between the two cities since the formalization of the relationship in 2014. **Last night at the Citizens Government Academy, the Fire Chief from Bad Soden, Nick-Oliver Kromer, presented our Fire Chief Glenn Johnson with a helmet.** The visit will coincide with the beginning of **Sister Cities' annual Celebration of Nations**, which begins at **1pm on Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup>**. **This year's Celebration of Nations will feature the Franklin High School Orchestra and several Ireland themed performers.** Tickets are still available at <https://es.ticketor.com/wcpac/event/celebration-of-nations-246844>



**Save the Date!** Come join us at the City of Franklin Spooktacular Halloween Bash! **Monday, October 31st starting at 2pm.** In the City Hall Torture, um Training Room. Creepy music, ghoulish refreshments...a fiendishly frightening time is guaranteed for all!

#### **Pumpkin Decorating Contest: 2:15 pm**

Bring all completed Pumpkins to the Training room by 2 pm on 10/31

#### **Best Pet Costume Contest: 2:30 pm**

Send a photo of your dressed-up pet to Cara Rives ([cara.rives@franklintn.gov](mailto:cara.rives@franklintn.gov)) no later than noon on Friday, October 28th

#### **Best Costume Contest: 2:45 pm**

Groups must be ready for judging by 2:30pm on 10/31

Individuals must be ready for judging by 2:15pm on 10/31

That's all for now, have a great weekend. Thanks for *all* you do!

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