

May 2016

Terrell Hills Connection

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A Blood Drive in our Community!

The City of Terrell Hills will be hosting a blood drive on Tuesday, May 11, 2016 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the parking lot at City Hall. The South Texas Blood and Tissue Center will have their blood mobile set up and ready for all employees and residents to donate. Everyone who donates will also receive a free t-shirt! If you are interested in donating and would like more information, please contact City Hall at (210) 824-7401. We hope to see you all there!



A Message From Your Public Works Department

With the warmer weather and the rain, the city has had several part-time seasonal positions open up in the Public Works Department. These positions will help out with our solid waste collections, mowing and trimming public green spaces and assist with the repair of streets and signage around town. Applicants should be a minimum of 18 years of age and available from 7:00 a.m. until noon or 1:00 p.m. each week day. This might be a good fit for a college student who is home for the summer. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact City Hall for an application or additional information.



CITY CONTACT INFORMATION

- City Administration Offices (210) 824-7401
- 24-Hour Non-Emergency Dispatch (210) 824-1009
 - For Emergencies, Dial 911

9-Volt Battery Safety

9-volt batteries power our smoke alarms, household items and toys. They can be found in most homes. But these batteries can be a fire hazard if not stored safely or disposed of with care.

The Problem

- 9-volt batteries can be dangerous. The positive and negative posts are close together. If a metal object touches the two posts of a 9-volt battery, it can cause a short circuit. This can make enough heat to start a fire.
- It is unsafe to store 9-volt batteries in a drawer near paper clips, coins, pens, or other batteries. Do not store common household items such as steel wool, aluminum foil, and keys near 9-volt batteries. If these items touch the two posts, there is a greater risk of a fire starting.
- Weak batteries may have enough charge to cause a fire. Some fires have started in trash when 9-volt batteries were thrown away with other metal items.



Storing 9-volt Batteries

- Keep batteries in original packaging until you are ready to use them. If loose, keep the posts covered with masking, duct, or electrical tape. Prevent the posts from coming in contact with metal objects.
- Keep them some place safe where they won't be tossed around.
- Store batteries standing up.
- 9-volt batteries should not be stored loose in a drawer. Do not store them in containers with other batteries.

Disposal

- 9-volt batteries should not be thrown away with trash. They can come in contact with other batteries or pieces of metal.
- 9-volt batteries can be taken to a collection site for household hazardous waste.
- To be safe, cover the positive and negative posts with masking, duct, or electrical tape before getting rid of the batteries.
- Some states do not allow any type of battery to be disposed of with trash. Check with your city or town for the best way to get rid of batteries.

