



COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

A publication of the City of Dodge City Public Information Office

1 The City and County Commissions approved a signage proposal from Luminous Neon to replace Dodge City Raceway Park's signage. Much of the existing signage is original to the facility and in a state of disrepair. The new signage will be bilingual in English/ Spanish and incorporate the new logo and brand standards for the Raceway Park. It will also be installed for the kick-off of the 2021 race season. For a complete schedule, visit <https://www.dodgecityraceway.com/schedule/>.

2 You can now purchase your season passes from Long Branch Lagoon with either the Morning Fitness Pass or Season Pass or both. For more information and to purchase, visit www.lblagoon.com.

3 City staff attended the Ribbon Cutting for Congressman Tracey Mann's office. The event was hosted by the Dodge City Area Chamber of Commerce, and the office is located in Military Plaza. For more information, please contact Martha Ruiz-Mendoza, Director of Constituent Services and Community Outreach, at martha.mendoza@mail.house.gov.

4 The Parks and Facilities department adjusted several schedules for the first few days of the week due to the extreme weather conditions and potential power blackouts. Many team members worked overnight and early mornings for snow removal and emergency procedures within the facilities to ensure power and water were restored properly. Next week, the staff looks forward to warmer weather to begin prepping for spring landscaping and continuing to get Dodge City Raceway Park, Long Branch Lagoon Waterpark, St. Mary's Soccer Complex and Legends Park ready for the season.



5 The arctic front moved into Dodge City on February 6. Since February 8, utility crews have responded to and repaired 12 main breaks, with the worst day being Monday, February 15, with four breaks on that day. Utility crews have also responded to numerous frozen meter or frozen pipe issues during this time. To report if your residence is still experiencing no water issues or to report a leak, please call 620-225-8111. Please note that we are experiencing a high volume of calls, but we will respond to all customer concerns as we receive them as soon as we can.

6 Thank you to all the crews that have been enduring the cold weather to serve our community.

CITY CALENDAR

Mon., March 1 - 7 pm City Commission Meeting

Watch live online at www.facebook.com/cityofdodgecity or www.vimeo.com/cityofdodgecity

Mon., March 15 - 7 pm City Commission Meeting

Watch live online at www.facebook.com/cityofdodgecity or www.vimeo.com/cityofdodgecity

LET'S TALK ABOUT COVID-19 VACCINES ...



WHEN AND WHERE WILL I GET A VACCINE?

Doses available to Kansas are in low supply. **The state of Kansas has prioritized "phases" of vaccination, with those most at-risk of serious illness or death in the first phases.** Each county determines eligibility within each phase. For vaccine locations, check with:

- Your local county health department
- Health clinic or your doctor
- Retail pharmacies

You will need two doses of the vaccine – after the initial dose, you will be told when to return for the second.

HOW MUCH WILL THE VACCINES COST?

The shot is free, but some health care providers might charge an administration fee, which likely will be covered by your insurance or for the uninsured. Health officials say no one will be turned away because of inability to pay.

WILL THE VACCINE MAKE ME SICK?

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) says the COVID-19 vaccines cannot give you COVID-19, because they do not contain the live virus that causes the disease. Common side effects may include pain or redness at the injection site, fever, headache, chills, muscle and joint pain. Most happened after the second dose.

DO I NEED TO GET THE VACCINE IF I'VE ALREADY HAD COVID-19?

Yes, CDC recommends that you get vaccinated even if you have already had COVID-19, because you can get the virus more than once. While you may have some short-term antibody protection after recovering from COVID-19, we don't know how long this protection will last.

WHAT SHOULD I CONTINUE TO DO BEFORE AND AFTER I GET THE VACCINE?

With limited supplies, it may be a while before everyone can be vaccinated. Whether you've been vaccinated or not, health experts suggest you continue to follow these important steps to slow the spread of COVID-19:

- **Wear a mask**
- **Wash your hands often**
- **Distance yourself from others**
- **If you are sick, get tested**
- **Make a plan to get the vaccine when it's your turn**
 - Find your phase and available vaccine sites (*your county health department, community clinic or doctor or retail pharmacies*)
 - Ask what you will need for your vaccine appointment
- **Right now, you can help your family, friends, neighbors or coworkers find a vaccine location.**



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[kansashealth.org](https://www.kansashealth.org)

¡PONTE LA VACUNA CONTRA EL COVID-19 PARA QUE PODAMOS VOLVER A BAILAR!

Las vacunas de COVID-19 ya están aquí: son seguras, gratuitas y para todos. Pero las fases de distribución de la vacuna contra COVID-19 todavía tomarán meses para concluir. Sí, sabemos que esto no es fácil. ¡Pero hagamos este sacrificio por unos meses más para que podamos bailar juntos otra vez! Todos pueden recibir la vacuna contra el COVID.



¿CUÁNDO Y DÓNDE RECIBIRÉ LA VACUNA?

Las dosis inicialmente disponibles para los habitantes de Kansas están disponibles en forma muy limitada, **de manera que los esfuerzos de planificación se basan en la disponibilidad de vacunas en las diferentes fases.** A medida que la disponibilidad aumente, las vacunas se ofrecerán a todos los pobladores de Kansas y serán distribuidas en lugares convenientes:

- Departamento de Salud del Condado
- Clínica o consultorio del doctor
- Farmacias

Se necesitan dos dosis de la vacuna, después de la dosis inicial, se te dirá cuándo regresar para recibir la segunda dosis.

¿ESTARÁN LAS VACUNAS DISPONIBLES PARA LA COMUNIDAD INDOCUMENTADA?

Sí, las vacunas contra el COVID-19 estarán disponibles para la comunidad indocumentada. Los proveedores de salud no deben discriminar. Se puede requerir alguna información personal, y esta información personal es diferente en cada lugar. Aunque el miedo a dar información personal es una realidad en la comunidad indocumentada, es importante buscar información de parte de los aliados de la comunidad.

¿CUÁNTO CUESTA LA VACUNA?

La vacuna es gratuita, tanto si tiene seguro de salud, como si no lo tiene. Sin embargo, los proveedores de vacunas podrán cobrar una tarifa administrativa por la vacuna, si no tuvieses cobertura de salud. Esto será variable en cada estado.

¿PUEDO ENFERMarme AL RECIBIR LA VACUNA?

El Centro para Control de Enfermedades (CDC, por sus siglas en inglés) dice que la vacuna contra el COVID-19 no puede hacer que te enfermes de COVID-19, porque no contiene el virus vivo que causa la enfermedad. Los efectos secundarios comunes pueden incluir dolor o enrojecimiento en el área en que fue aplicada la inyección, fiebre, dolor de cabeza, escalofríos, dolor muscular y de las articulaciones.

¿NECESITO RECIBIR LA VACUNA SI YA HE TENIDO COVID-19?

Sí. El Centro para Control de Enfermedades (CDC, por sus siglas en inglés) recomienda que te vacunes aún si ya has tenido COVID-19, porque el virus se puede adquirir más de una vez. Aún cuando debe dejar una corta protección de anticuerpos después de recuperarse del COVID-19, no sabemos cuánto puede durar esta protección.

¿QUÉ DEBO HACER ANTES Y SEGUIR HACIENDO DESPUÉS DE RECIBIR LA VACUNA?

Dependiendo de la disponibilidad, podrían pasar meses antes de que muchos pobladores de Kansas puedan recibir la vacuna. Mientras tanto, será esfuerzo de todos en el estado disminuir la propagación de COVID-19. Aquí hay cosas importantes que puedes hacer:

- Usar una mascarilla
- Lavarte las manos frecuentemente
- Conservar la distancia de los demás
- Hacer un plan para recibir la vacuna cuando sea su turno
 - Averigua cuál es tu fase y cuáles son los sitios disponibles para ponerse la vacuna (el departamento de salud de tu condado, una clínica comunitaria o el consultorio de tu doctor o farmacias)
 - Pregunta lo que necesitas para tu cita para recibir la vacuna (por ejemplo, ID o licencia de conducir)
- Ahora, puedes ayudar a tu familia, amigos, vecinos o compañeros de trabajo a encontrar un lugar de vacunación.



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DODGE CITY SOCIAL SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS UPDATE

(Updated the first friday of each month)



Save the date:



February 5, 2022

TEAM CASA

CASA: Our annual fundraiser, Chocolate Dreams Auction, was postponed this year. We wish donors, volunteers, staff, and our communities health and wellness in 2021! Thank you for the continued support of volunteer best-interest advocacy for abused and neglected children! We continue to be open by appointment and ask that visitors use masks or other face coverings. Give us a call at 620-225-1278 or message us on Facebook, <http://www.facebook.com/CASACWS>.

Catholic Charities: Catholic Charities is looking for an Immigration Services Case Manager in the Dodge City area. For more information or to submit resume materials, contact Debbie Snapp at 620-227-1588, dsnapp@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org or visit <https://www.dodgecityhasjobs.com/immigration-services-case-manager/>



Salvation Army: The Salvation Army has funds available if you've been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Don't wait until tomorrow. We're here to help today! Just click here: <http://salarmy.us/KWMCovidEA> to fill out the screening form!

We also provide Spiritual Care. Walkins are available, but appointments are preferred to better serve you. Call at 620-225-4871, if there is no answer, PLEASE leave a message! Our Community programs for children will be fully available by March 31. These programs consist

on classes to develop our children's interest, such as Learning How To Draw, Bible, Photoshop, and Music. Classes will be given through ZOOM from 5:30-6:30PM Monday-Thursday. We will soon let you know how to apply for your children if they are interested. NO Cost!

Manna House: – Needs donations of clean used or new blankets, sleeping bags, and towels as well as all the other hygiene and food items. The pantry needs fresh and canned food donations as well as egg cartons, bags, and sacks. For more information, please call 620-227-6707. The pantry is open from 2-4 pm Monday-Friday. They also welcome donations, including gift cards to local supermarkets. Donations may be mailed to 1012 First St., Dodge City, Kansas.



Genesis Family Health, located at 1700 Ave F, is offering COVID-19 rapid testing. They only ask that patients call ahead to schedule an appointment at (620)-225-6821. Testing is performed in the parking lot, and patients can get results in about 15 minutes. Testing is offered at no up-front cost to the patient. Follow-up appointments are also available at www.genesisfamilyhealth.org. For more information, please contact Elva Dominguez or Uriel Campos at 620-225-0625. They are open from 8-5 pm Monday – Friday and closed from 12-1 pm for lunch.



Crisis Center Crisis Center: The Crisis Center’s mission is to Believe, support and empower victims of domestic and sexual violence through advocacy. For Crisis Intervention advocacy services, please call the 24-hour hotline 620-225-6510 and for support services office is open Monday – Friday, 9 am – 4 pm. Call 620-225-6987 to make an appointment. We are not taking donations at this time; we have been abundantly blessed.

Harvest America continues to assist the community by providing rent, food, utility, fuel, and car repair assistance. In the past, they were only able to help with electric and gas bills, but now we can assist them with their water bills. The car repair assistance would be for safety items (brakes, tires, etc.), general maintenance (oil change, battery, etc.), and can also help with tag registration or renewals. We have applications outside of their office door at 100 Military Ave Suite 122 or by phone or email to request one. The phone number is (620)227-7882, and the email is lontiveros@harvestamerica.org.

Friendship Feast Association: The dining room is open and serving meals from 1130-1230 Monday through Friday at the First Presbyterian Church, 803 Central Avenue. They are requesting donations of breads, pastas, and fresh fruit. Monetary donations can be mailed to P.O. Box 1075, Dodge City, KS 67801. For more information, contact Sarah Speakman at 620-408-5594.



united, WE OVERCOME.

Our community has faced numerous new challenges this past year and we know that the need for additional community services will only grow. Therefore, the United Way of Dodge City needs your partnership and donations. United, we can overcome these and other challenges. As a community, we are improving the education, health, financial stability, and overall quality of life in Ford County.



United Way of Dodge City

**TO DONATE TO THE UNITED WAY OF DODGE CITY,
VISIT UNITEDWAYDODGECITY.ORG!**



HOW TO SERIES

HOME MAINTENANCE EDITION

Learn the basic skills you need to maintain your home and the knowledge to know when it's time to call in a professional.



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GUIDE TO HOME MAINTENANCE



FREE CLASS

Do you want to conquer major deep cleaning projects and learn tips to organize like a pro? Owner of Maid Up, Danielle Flores, will share her guide to maintaining a tidy home.

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

6:00-7:00 PM

**University/Training
Center**

236 San Jose Drive | Dodge City, KS
Enter in the Northeast entrance

Topics Include:

- Organize a Cleaning Schedule
- Deep Clean Appliances
- Mental Health Benefits
- Seasonal Cleaning Checklist
- Coronavirus Disinfecting and Sanitation



For more information contact Rosana Hurtado,
620-371-3870 or rosanah@dodgedev.org

Visit or scan on your phone to register online, in advance at
www.DCCHAD.org



Maid Up
CLEAN SERVICE



BUSINESS EDITION

Learn the resources available to start a new business or grow an existing business.

INTERVIEWING

FREE CLASS

Kansas WorkforceOne Business Services Director/Rapid Response Coordinator Tucky Allen will share his knowledge on how to interview.

Thursday, February 25, 2021

6:00-8:00 PM

University/Training Center

236 San Jose
Dodge City KS, 67801
Enter in the Northeast Entrance

Topics Include:

- Interview Etiquette
- What to Bring
- Common Interview Questions
- Participate
- Follow Up
- Job Offer
- Live and Learn
- Top Interviewing Blunders



For more information contact Kyla Keller, 620-227-9501 or kkeller@dodgedev.org.

Register online in advance at www.raisingthewest.org.



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HOME ELECTRICAL BASICS

FREE CLASS

Learn the basics on how electricity works in your home to safely make electrical home repairs yourself. This class is presented and sponsored by local professional electrician Renee Cardenas, Enterprise Electric & General Building Contracting LLC.

Tuesday, March 23, 2021

6:00-7:00 PM

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Topics Include:

- Replacing Light Fixtures
- Ceiling Fan Installation
- Energy Alternatives
- Home Wiring Basics



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**Enterprise Electric & General
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BUSINESS EDITION

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STEPS TO BECOME A CHILD CARE PROVIDER



FREE CLASS

Participants will learn the steps/procedures necessary to become a licensed child care provider. Benefits to becoming a child care provider include earning an income from home, tax deductions, meaningful job, positive impact on children, and owning your own business. Lunch provided.

Saturday, March 27, 2021

11:00AM - 2:00 PM

University/Training Center

236 San Jose Drive | Dodge City, KS

Enter in the Northeast Entrance

English: Classroom 1

Spanish: Classroom 2

Topics Include:

- State Requirements
- Early Childhood Education Degree Program
- Technical Assistance
- Food Program
- Small Business Development Center
- Available Resources



For more information contact Kyla Keller, 620-227-9501 or kkeller@dodgegov.org

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**MY mask protects YOU.
YOUR mask protects ME.
Together, we can slow the spread of COVID-19.**

Homemade masks can be helpful when you're in situations where it's hard to physically distance yourself from others:



Shopping at grocery stores or pharmacies



Visiting your health care provider



Using public transportation



Interacting with customers at essential businesses



When feeling sick, coughing or sneezing

STAY HOME. STAY SAFE. SAVE LIVES. FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT [KDHEKS.GOV/CORONAVIRUS](https://kdheks.gov/coronavirus).



**MI máscara TE protege.
TU máscara ME protege.
Juntos, podemos frenar la propagación del virus COVID-19.**

Las máscaras caseras pueden ser útiles cuando estás en situaciones en las que es difícil distanciarte físicamente de los demás:



Compras en supermercados o farmacias



Visitar a su proveedor de atención médica



Uso del transporte público



Interactuar con los clientes de las empresas esenciales



Al sentirse enfermo, toser o estornudar

QUÉDATE EN CASA, MANTENTE A SALVO, SALVA VIDAS. PARA MAYOR INFORMACIÓN VISITE [KDHEKS.GOV/CORONAVIRUS](https://kdheks.gov/coronavirus)

7 TIPS FOR GROCERY SHOPPING DURING COVID-19



Shop only when necessary.



Send one person to shop.



No self-serve food or drinks.



Only touch what you buy.



Practice social distancing.
6 ft. apart & 10 or less in one area



Avoid cash transactions.



Wash hands after handling your purchases.



7 CONSEJOS PARA REALIZAR COMPRAS EN EL SUPERMERCADO DURANTE COVID-19



Compra solo cuando sea necesario.



Envía a una persona a comprar.



No utilices autoservicio de comida o bebidas.



Solo toca lo que vayas a comprar.



Practica el distanciamiento social
Al menos 6 pies de distancia y 10 o menos personas en un area



Evite las transacciones en efectivo.



Lávate las manos inmediatamente después de realizar sus compras.

OPEN TRYOUTS FOR NEW **DODGE CITY A'S** YOUTH BASEBALL TEAMS!

8U-February 27th, 2:00pm-3:30pm

Contact: Clayton Kerbs 785-289-3924

9U February 27th, 3:30pm-5:00 pm

Contact: Josh Duncan 620-253-5853

10U February 27th, 12:00pm-1:30pm

Contact: Matt Johnson 620-430-1985

14U March 7th, 12:00pm-2:00pm

Contact: Zach Shipley 913-424-5683

Players age as of April 30th is age group they will play

All tryouts will take place at Demon Field.

Follow us on Twitter or Facebook for updates.



@DCAsbaseball



Dodge City Baseball

PRUEBAS ABIERTAS PARA NUE- VOS EQUIPOS JUVENILES DE BASEBAL **DODGE CITY A'S**

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Contacto: Zach Shipley 913-424-5683

Jugadores con la edad al 30 de Abril seran colocados en el grupo correpondiente

Todas las pruebas tomaran lugar en el Demon Field.

Siganos en Twitter o Facebook para noticias.



@DCAsbaseball



Dodge City Baseball

Dodge City Baseball Camp

Every Sunday in January & February

Dodge City High School
Indoor Facility

K-4th 2:00-3:30

5th-8th 3:30-5:00

**Campers will enter through the SW doors of the Indoor Facility.
Due to COVID restriction parents WILL NOT be permitted inside, ONLY
campers and coaches.**

This is a free camp offered by Dodge City Baseball
Questions, contact Zach Shipley 913-424-5683

Dodge City Baseball Camp

Todos los Domingos de Enero &
Febrero

Instalaciones Interiores de
Dodge City High School

K-4th 2:00-3:30
5th-8th 3:30-5:00

La entrada sera por las puertas Suroeste de las instalaciones.
Debido a restricciones por COVID a los padres NO se les permitira entrar
a las instalaciones
UNICAMENTE coaches y deportistas.

Este campamento es gratis ofrecido por Dodge City Baseball
Preguntas contacte a Zach Shipley 913-424-5683