A Big Thanks to Milwood's Sponsors:



9:30 a.m. (said) and 11:00 a.m. (sung)
Holy Communion

3401 Oak Creek Drive www.stfrancisaustin.com















Chuck Saxon 512-339-8494

12400 Amberst Dr., #114 chucksaxon@allstate.com allstate.com/chucksaxon/r



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Property Tax Appraisals Ways to Save

1. Start by checking & applying for Exemptions

- Deadline: April 30
 - Though will go back several years on exemptions. If you ask.
- Homestead
- Age 65 and Over & Surviving Spouse of Over 65
 - goes into effect Jan. 1 of the year you turn 65 so file Jan. 1
- Disabled Person
- Veteran and/or Spouse
- Solar/Wind Energy

2. Then Protest your Property's Appraisal

- Deadline: May 15
- Do it by Yourself or Outsource it, either way will be better than not doing it at all

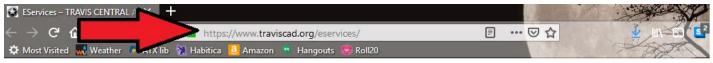
Tax Appraisals PROTEST to Save \$\$

Ways to protest that cost you nothing:

DEADLINE: May 15th. You will hear back around early June.

- E-File Your Protest Online
 - www.traviscad.org/eservices
 - If you e-file, you will be contacted by email if you agree with the findings then it will end
 there but if you disagree you will have the option to pursue more formally on phone call,
 email or in-person and maybe receive higher savings. See Tips to Protest Slide.
 - You will need the Tax Appraisal Form that you received in the mail.
- Outsource to a company who will take a percentage of your savings, probably approx. 40%
 - Texas Protax
 - Five Stone Tax Advisors
 - Jubally DIY Tax Solutions
- File Your Protest via Printed Forms & Mail
 - www.traviscad.org/forms/forms-protest/

Travis County Appraisal District: travisCAD.org or 512-834-9138 (opt 5 for protest, opt 3 for exemptions)





TRAVIS CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS

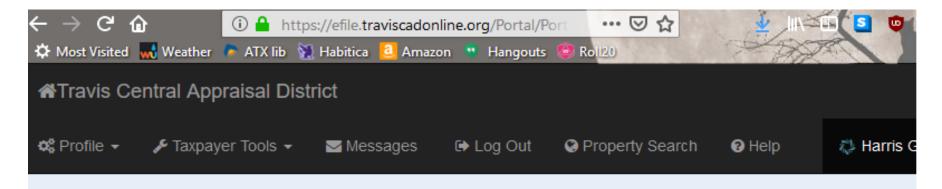


HOME > Eservices



eFile makes it easy to settle your protest online.

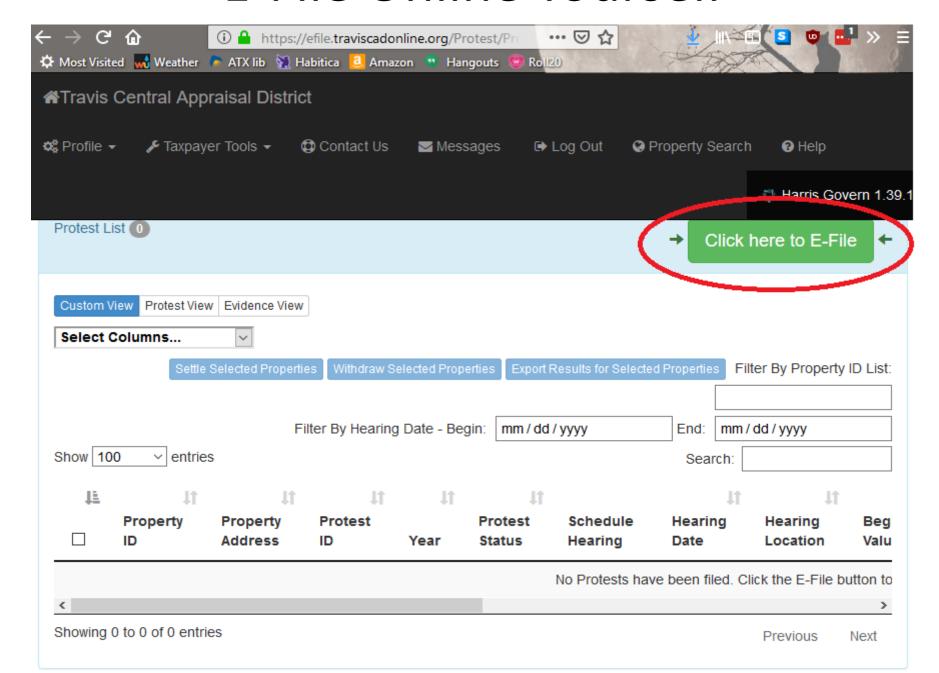
NOTE: An E-File protest serves as an informal protest hearing.



The Travis Central Appraisal District Portal provides taxpayers with the opportunity to view an appraisal notice or to file an appeal online. Make your selection by clicking one of the links below.







Did you know you can look at <u>any</u> Travis County property's tax info?

- So if you aren't sure where you stand as far as value simply go to:
 - <u>www.traviscad.org</u> then click on Property Search.
 - You can search by last name or address or street



Comparable Market Analysis:

- The comps look at Market Value thru recent sales for homes similar to yours in size, age, location, etc. Ask the City to provide you with the comps they used to set your house appraisal. You can also go through and individually pull comps if you want at the county's website.
- The Tax Assessor loops Milwood in with more expensive houses for comps so you can simply ask to have them pull out such homes as in Enchanted Forest and Dorsett as well as Scofield Ridge.
- If you contact a realtor they will likely provide you with comps happily.
 Shannon Reeve with Realty Austin and John Cotten and Samantha Mitchell with TCP Real Estate both offered to do so at the meeting.

Documentation Regarding Your Home's Condition:

- Do you have foundation issues? Plumbing problems? High Radon levels?
 Anything that would adversely affect the Market Value of your home should be documented. Take photos.
- If you haven't remodeled and the comps that the county is using has. Fight it.

Documentation Regarding Your Home's Location:

 Anything that negatively affects the value of your home should be used in your appeal. (ex: backs to a busy street/Mopac, railroad tracks, flood prone)

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- Recently Purchased Homes:
 - If you purchased your home in the last several months, and the purchase price was lower than your appraised value, bring a copy of your settlement statement.
- If you E-File, the county will likely lower the price. Don't feel pressured to take the first offer.
- When you E-File, request the evidence packet which should include comps and more.

Tax Appraisal Protest Companies Save you time and money

They file for you and if you don't have the time to do it yourself are the best option.

- It takes you much less time
- Most of the protest companies will keep 40% of what they save you.
 - Texas Protax
 - Five Stone Tax Advisors
 - Jubally DIY Tax Solutions
 - And more

2019 Notice of Appraised Value

TRAVIS CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT 8314 CROSS PARK DR P O BOX 149012 AUSTIN, TX 78714-9012

Phone: (512) 834-9138

DATE OF NOTICE: April 15, 2019



Ownership %: Ref ID2: DBA: Legal: MILWOOD SEC 10 Legal Acres: Situs: 4 Your address Owner ID: I EFile PIN: Your Owner ID Your Pin Number

THIS IS NOT A BILL

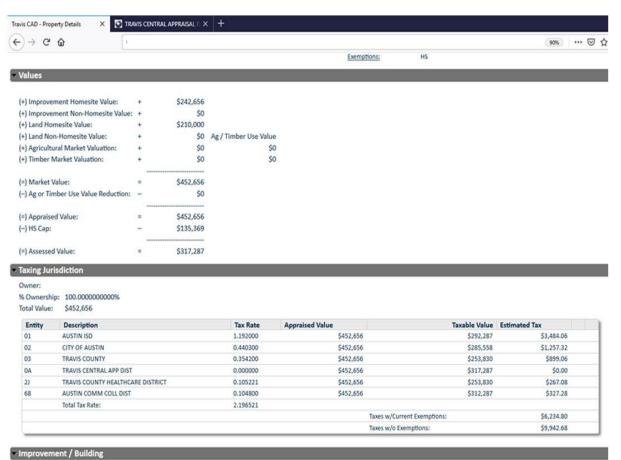
Property ID:

Dear Property Owner,

We have appraised the property listed above for the tax year 2019. As of January 1, our appraisal is outlined below.

Market Value	Assessed Value (Includes Homestead Limitation if Applicable)			
452,656	317,287			

Taxing Unit	2018 Exemption	2018 Exemption Amount	2019 Exemption	2019 Exemption Amount	Exemption Amount Change	2018 Taxable	2019 Taxable	Freeze Year and Ceiling
AUSTIN ISD	HS	25,000	HS	25,000	0		-	
	Total	25,000	Total	25,000	0	263,443	292,287	
CITY OF AUSTIN HS Tota	HS	28,844	HS	31,729	2,885		al .	
	Total	28,844	Total	31,729	2,885	259,599	285,558	
TRAVIS COUNTY HS	HS	57,689	HS	63,457	5,768			
	Total	57,689	Total	63,457	5,768	230,754	253,830	
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	Total	57,689	Total	63,457	5,768	230,754	253,830	
AUSTIN COMM COLL DIST	HS	5,000	HS	5,000	0			
	Total	5,000	Total	5,000	0	283,443	312,287	



Improvement #1: 1 FAM DWELLING State Code: A1 Living Area: 2527.0 sqft Value: \$242,656

\$242,656

\$206,329

\$230,402

\$213,383

\$234,128

\$193,344

Acres

1.7622

Land Market

Sqft

76761.53

\$210,000

\$210,000

\$140,000

\$25,000

\$20,250

\$20,250

Eff Front

Ag Valuation

178.00

Eff Depth

0

0

0

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Appraised

390.00

Market Value

452,656

416,329

370,402

238,383

254,378

213,594

Brod. Value

Assessed

\$0

\$317,287

\$288,443

\$262,221

\$238,383

\$234,953

\$213,594

\$210

\$135,369

\$127,886

\$108,181

\$19,425

\$0

\$0

HS Cap

Description

Land

Improvements

Land

Type

LAND

▼ Roll Value History

Year Imp

2019

2018

2017

2016

2015

2014

Try to get your Assessed Value below your Appraised Value, especially if you have a Homestead Value.

DEADLINES! DEADLINES!

The deadlines are unforgiving and happening soon! MAY 15th!

Be aware that the E-File deadline might be different than the paper file deadline.

Don't miss the chance to knock off hundreds to thousands on your home's appraisal!! Take the time to arrange for either yourself or an outside company to lower your tax appraisal!!

If we all protest, it helps everyone.

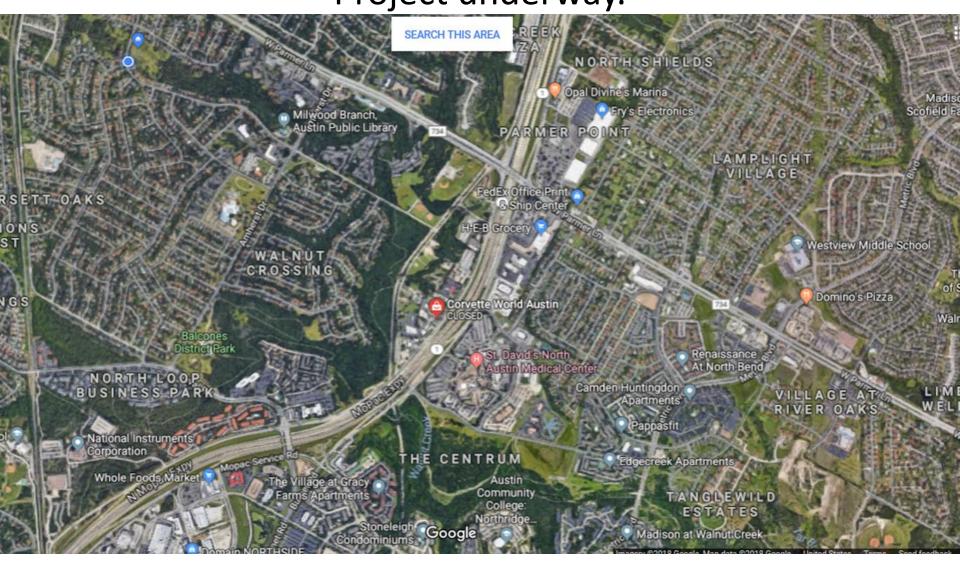
Questions

Call Travis County Appraisal District if you have any questions: (512) 834-9318

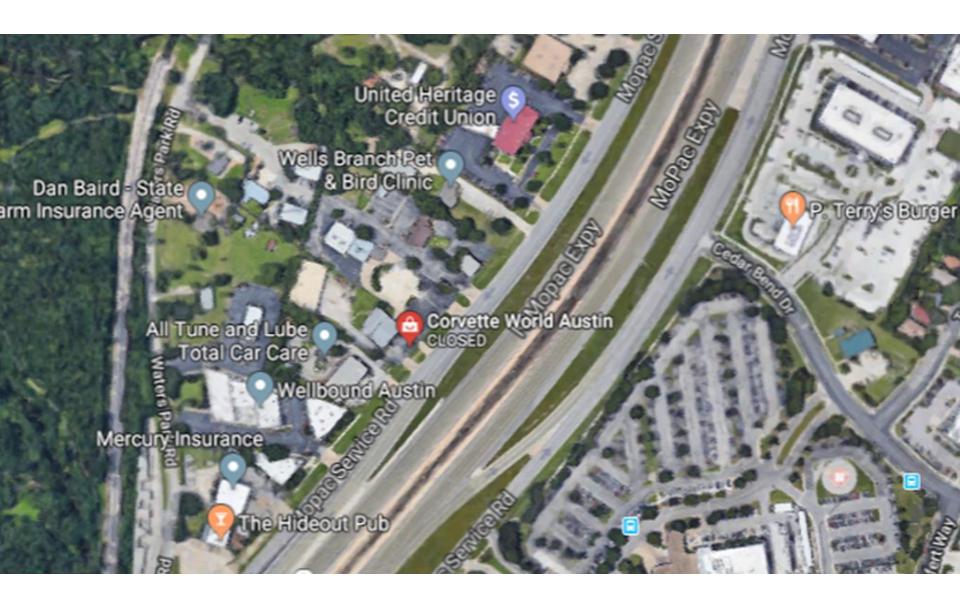
If you get an evidence packet, comps, etc. please consider sharing it with

mnaboard@milwoodna.com and we will anonymously share it to other neighbors in need.

Foundation Communities Project underway.



Foundation Communities

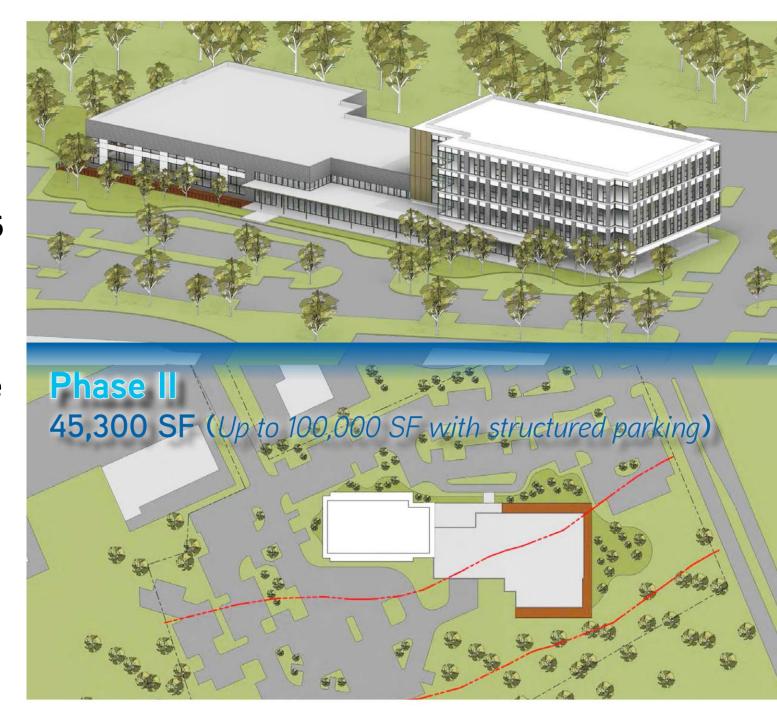


Project underway and behind. Will be commercial space.



Zoning
Case C142018-0046
(4001 W.
Parmer)

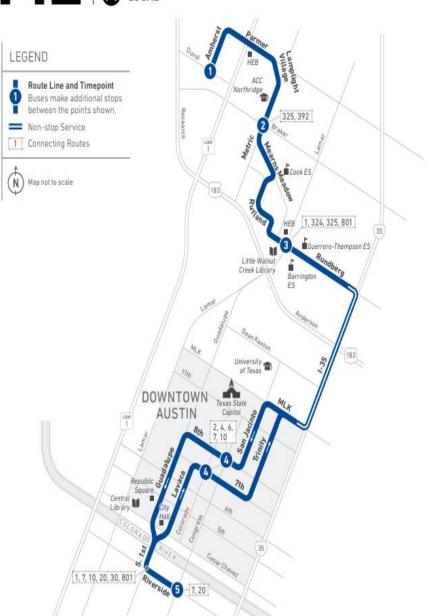
Is the case to be hear June 18 in front of ZAP?





New Service Overview

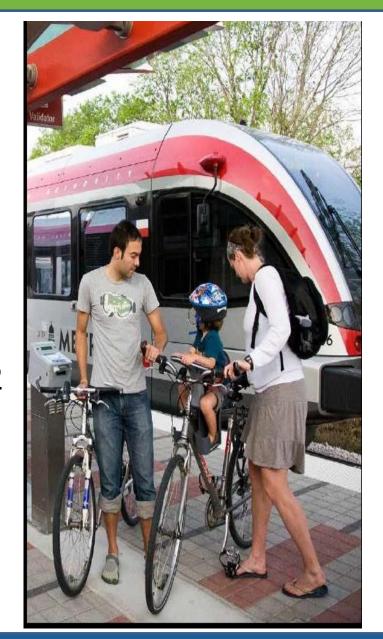
142 Metric Flyer



Route 142 remains the same as of this date.

ALL those Under 18 are Free!

- K-12 students, with valid ID
- 10 and younger must be accompanied by someone 12 or older



Adelphi to Waters Park Sidewalk

- Worked with City Engineer to try and create the best product that would also stay within budget.
- The unique curb was a result of the limited budget and drainage issues. The city did agree to place the other raised curb at the back of the right-of-way on the North Side (the Shared Use Path side) so as not to narrow Waters Park too much and limit any chance of road improvements in the future.
- Residents have had trouble on Gable with the turn radius entering and exiting on Adelphi.

Key Crime Concerns

- Older Mailboxes
- Car Break-ins
- Crime is historically worse in the summer in Milwood

We need a Neighborhood Watch Block Captain!

It is a Fun and Easy Job!

Be an MNA Block Captain

MNA Needs Block Captains! It's Easy! Volunteer Today!

- You are someone who will:
 - Greet your new neighbors
 - Develop a communication system to distribute information
 - Encourage social meet ups
 - Inform your neighbors of criminal activity and concerns in neighborhood
- You are NOT someone who is:
 - Official law enforcement
 - Responsible for relaying others' reports to 91

*it is the responsibility of *everyone* to repor Sign up by emailing milwoodwatch@gmail.c



Be ALERT this summer

- ALERT I know who my neighbors and their kids are and I know which cars belong on my street.
- <u>LIGHTS</u> My house is well-lit at night. I have installed motion detectors or dusk-to-dawn lights in areas where people may walk.
- <u>E</u>MERGENCY I am ready for a crisis and keep neighbors' phone numbers handy, just in case. I know neighbors' children would come to my house for help. I could tell firefighters how many pets and people in my neighbor's house if there was a fire on my street.
- RESPONSIBLE I call 311 and 911 when I see a potential issue or crime. I ask for an incident number and report it to the Neighborhood Assoc so it can be tracked and the community can be made aware of it.
- <u>TIDY</u> I keep my home, yard, and street neat. I trim my bushes and trees so windows and doors can be seen. I keep my driveway and porch free of clutter. I pick up trash on my street, handle graffiti, and pitch in to help other neighbors who need a hand. I want criminals to see that my home and street are cared for and their activities will not be tolerated.

We NEED Block Captains. Can you help with your street?

 Sign up here: http://milwoodna.com/neighborhood-watch/

OR

Email us at: milwoodwatch@gmail.com

We are hoping to get the rest of **Composting Program** Milwood added to the service thru the city and could use help. ANDERSON MILL RD WHOWARDLN WELLS BRANCH PRWY PARMER LIN W HOWARD LN 183 DUVAL RD SPICEMOOD SPRINGS RO BRAKER LN

Balcones Pool

- Pool will open Sat. June 1 at 12noon.
- Milwood NA will host its 3rd Annual Pool Party on Sat. June 1 at 12noon. Please join us!
- Swim Classes Offered, 8 classes over 2 wks, \$58
- Swim Team, Balcones Barracudas, \$75
- Lifeguards Still Needed!



3rd Annual Potluck Pool Party

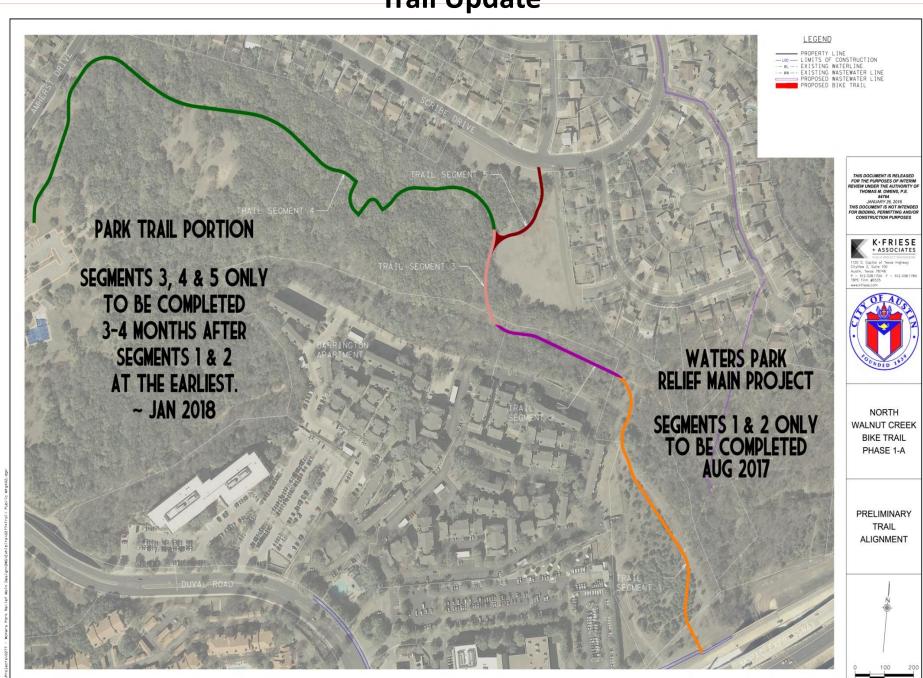
June 1, Saturday at 12noon



Trail Update

 We are working with the city to get a number of issues with the new trail resolved.

Trail Update



Playground Location & Next Steps

- The city is working on the CAD drawing for the sidewalks, pavilion, etc.
- The city is working with a playground vendor but didn't like their first iteration.
- Permits are being submitted.
- Hesitant to give a timeline but the city said likely 1 yr.

Other Park Updates

We are working with PARD:

- to get recycling and trash bins added to the park.
- to get parking lot re-painted.
- to get bike lanes added on driveway into park so strollers and bikes won't have to compete with the car traffic.



Batteries, Oil, Paint & Antifreeze Collection Event on Sat. May 11



Styrofoam Collection Year Round

- We have a generous neighbor who will accept Styrofoam and bring it to the Resource Recovery Center since it can't go in the Blue Recycling Bins and ideally wouldn't be placed in the trash bins either.
- Simply make sure it is clean and dry then place it in a clear/white plastic bag on the porch at 12011 Trianon Ln

What kinds of plastic foam are accepted?

What *is* accepted:

- Plastic foam made from polystyrene commonly found in egg cartons, food packaging, meat trays, to-go containers, disposable plates and coffee cups, foam ice chests and in shipping and packaging materials.
- Plastic foam made from polyethylene, commonly used in shipping and packing items such as electronics

What *is not* accepted:

- Packing peanuts or soft foam, such as the foam typically found in mattress pads
- Plastic foam that is attached or glued to other materials, like cardboard or plastic film



Do you have a child starting at Summitt in August?

Register them now!

Also join in the many <u>events</u> to get them ready for the transition and comfortable with the school and new friends!

There is a Facebook Group for Incoming Summitt Eagle Parents, as well: Join Here.

Milwood Library

Hours:

Sunday: Closed

Monday - Thursday: 10:00 am - 9:00 pm

Friday: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Saturday: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

What's NEW:

Google Hangout with Big Screen, Laptop, Tablet, & more check out, &New Auto-Return Machine

- Lots of good programming
- We have arranged for \$10,000 and need to work on getting that funding appropriated.

Train along Dorsett Issues

- Train seems to be idoling for days and hours on end.
- Train cuts off neighbors access to Yett Creek Park.
- Call 800-848-8715 DOT
- Mile Marker is 435-967B to complain

Other Events

- May 4 Spring Fling Summitt Elementary Fundraiser
- May 11 Batteries, Oil, Paint, Antifreeze,
 Styrofoam Collection
- May 24 Movie Night In Balcones Park. Hosted by Shannon Reeve, Realty Austin
- June 1 Pool Party at Balcones Pool
- July 2 Starts Large Brush Collection
- July 4 Annual Parade and Picnic

MNA Board

President: Meg Davis

Vice President: John Marostica

Treasurer: Carolyn Scherrer

Secretary: Kristin Harper

Park/Greenbelt: Erik Harris

Social Media/Communication: IN NEED OF HELP

Block Watch/Crime: IN NEED OF HELP

At Large: Garry Brown

At Large: Ben Maniere

At Large: Bethany Metzger

At Large: Michael Lewis

We are happy to tailor a position for interested parties!

Summitt Elementary Summer Reading Program

- Help fund the Summer Reading Initiative
- We still have 80% to go! Please consider
 placing a few dollars towards this cause to
 support our kids and prevent the summer
 slide getting them! Help Fund Summitt's
 Reading Initiative by making a small donation
 here. Here is info on Research regarding the
 summer slide.

High Level of Radon in Milwood Notice

- A few residents have expressed that they have received higher than safe Radon Levels in their Milwood homes. While Austin is not considered a risky area for Radon, it can happen any where.
- Interested in getting a discounted \$5 Radon Test?
 MNA has some.
- More info at milwoodna.com



Adelphi Acre Garden

- Accepts Composting from Residents, not just Gardeners
- Leaf Bags for Compost
- Today is the last day to renew and if not received, plots will be released once this year is over (Plots renewals work on a Jan-Dec cycle).
- Checks are made out to the SFC and renewal costs are below:
 - Smaller 10x4 : \$36
 - Larger 10x10: \$60