**Main Street Fest**

Friday, April 26—Sunday, April 28
200 Block of Main St.
and Surrounding Areas

The City of Grand Prairie Parks, Arts & Recreation Department is hosting the 11th Annual Main Street Fest. The three-day festival features FREE parking and admission and an opportunity to celebrate the fun, festive, family atmosphere that is Grand Prairie with live music featuring a diverse lineup designed to appeal to audiences of all tastes and backgrounds. Throughout the event, enjoy novelty entertainment, carnival rides, arts and crafts vendors, two entertainment stages, food and beer, a kidzone, and plenty of fun for all! For more info., visit MainStreetFest.com

**Spectacular Solar Eclipse Viewing in GP**

Get ready for a once in a lifetime experience on April 8! Grand Prairie is gearing up to host a truly unforgettable event: the 2024 Total Solar Eclipse. With an impressive 3 minutes and 35 seconds of totality Grand Prairie promises to have one of the best vantage points. As excitement builds for this rare event, here are some fun activities to look forward to.

At our Main Library space-themed activities for ages four and up will be happening Thursday, April 4 through Saturday, April 6. Enjoy watching “Totality over Texas” at the John Carl Pogue Planetarium at South Grand Prairie High School on Saturday, April 6! Reservations are required and seats are limited. Don’t forget Saturday April 6 is also the opening of Farmers Market on Main Street, plus as a bonus edition catch Market on the Move at EpicCentral on Sunday April 7. Finally, on Monday, April 8 come out to EpicCentral to view this extremely rare phenomenon along with live music, hands-on activities and more.

Solar eclipse glasses are on sale now at the Grand Prairie Tourist Information Center at 2170 N. Belt Line Rd. Check visitgrandprairiety.com/solareclipse2024 for all the details regarding the 2024 Total Solar Eclipse!

**SHRED DAY**

Saturday, April 20, 8-11 a.m.

Grand Prairie Service Center, 1821 South State Highway 161

$5 per box (normal office size)

More info: preventionunit@gptx.org or visit GPCrimeStopper.org.

**Council Member Mike Del Bosque Town Hall Meeting**

Thursday, April 18, 6 p.m.
Ruthe Jackson Center
3113 S. Carrier Parkway

Join District 3 Council Member Mike Del Bosque for a Town Hall Meeting to address community interests concerning the City of Grand Prairie. Scan the QR code to attend the meeting virtually via Zoom.

**May 4, 2024 Election**

A General Election shall be held in the City of Grand Prairie, Texas, on May 4, 2024, between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., at which the following offices will be on the ballot:

- Council Member, District 5
- Council Member, District 6
- Council Member, Place 8 At Large

**Early Voting dates:**

April 22 – April 30, 2024

For election locations and information, visit gptx.org/election
**Farmers Market**

Open Saturdays beginning April 6 • Market Square, 120 W. Main St.

Farmers Market features locally grown fruits, vegetables, plants, tamales, baked goods, salsas, relishes, eggs, honey, chips, soaps, candles and more. Call 972-237-4599 or visit GrandFunGP.com/FarmersMarket.

**Mayor's 5K Stroll, Walk or Run**

Saturday, April 6
Farmers Market, 120 W. Main St.
Registration: 8 a.m.
5K begins at 9:30 a.m.
Free Event
T-shirts will be available while supplies last.

**Trash Off**

Saturday, April 6, 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Grand Prairie Landfill, 1102 MacArthur

Clean house and get rid of your junk during Trash Off. Residents are allowed an unlimited number of trips to the landfill. Trash Off is a great way to dispose of all those bulky items that won't fit in the garbage!

Proof of residence in the form of a current water bill and driver's license is required.

**Special Fee Information**

- We will accept automobile tires for a $1 disposal fee. Disposal fees of $5 or $10 are required for larger tractor/trailer tires.
- We accept computers, printers and fax machines.
- Construction and roofing material will be accepted from commercial businesses for $40 per ton. (Contractors may not use this day to avoid paying Landfill fees). Call 972-237-8330 for more information.

**Summer Camps '24**

**June 3 – August 9**

Summer Camp at GP Recreation Centers is always full of new activities and tons of fun! With movies, crafts, games, and field trips, summer with the City of Grand Prairie can’t be beat! Limited spots available. For more information visit GrandFunGP.com or call your recreation center of choice:

- The Epic: 972-339-3742
- Charley Taylor Recreation Center: 972-237-4760
- Tony Shotwell Life Center: 972-237-7529
- Dalworth Recreation Center: 972-237-4760

**Police & Pups**

Saturday, April 6, 9 a.m.
Public Safety Building, 1525 Arkansas Lane
Join the Grand Prairie Police Department with your pups for Dog Walker Watch.

**Earth Day**

Saturday, April 20
EpicCentral, 2960 Epic Place
Celebrate Earth Day with animal encounters, crafts, learning more about environmental issues and a free tree giveaway. For more information, visit gptx.org/publichealth.
**MARTY PARTY**

In Celebration of World Migratory Bird Day • Featuring the Purple Martin
Saturday, May 11, 9 a.m.–1 p.m.
The Summit, 2975 Esplanade Dr.
The event will feature various activities and vendors. Lunch included.

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**COMMUNITY GARDEN OPEN HOUSE**

Saturday, April 20, 8 a.m.–noon
New, experienced, and not-yet gardeners are invited to tour several of the City of Grand Prairie Community Gardens. See where your neighbors grow more than 8,000 pounds of fresh produce for donations as well as additional produce for their families. The event does not require registration and is come and go. You may visit one garden or all of the gardens depending on your interest. At each garden, you will have the opportunity to ask Garden Leaders questions and can even choose to join a garden on the same day! More information about the Community Garden Program and the Community Garden Open House is available at gptx.org/kgpb or call 972-237-4546

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**CATALYTIC CONVERTER ETCHING**

Saturday, April 20, 8 a.m.–11 a.m.
Grand Prairie Service Center, 1821 S. State Highway 161
$15 per vehicle - No reservations required
Donations support Grand Prairie Crime Stoppers

Etching a serial number on a vehicle’s catalytic converter is a proactive approach to reducing thefts. Etching takes approximately 15 minutes. For more information, email crime preventionunit@gptx.org or visit GPCrimeStopper.org.

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**BANNERS FOR COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES ONLY**

All banners require a free 30-day permit prior to placing on building. Each business is allowed ONE banner with a permit and must be attached to the front facade of the building. Banners may not be used as permanent signage for a business; they may not hang from an awning, be tied between poles or placed on vehicles in front of the business. Banner permits are obtained at the Code Enforcement Department. For more information regarding banner regulations, please see UDC Article 9.10.10

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**FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE**

The Friends of the Library will host their Spring Book sale April 18 – 20 at the Main Library, 901 Conover Dr.
April 18: 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
April 19: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
April 20: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Find great bargains on hard and paperback books as well as DVDs, puzzles, and more.

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**SEASONAL JOBS**

Seasonal jobs starting at $15-$17 an hour! Grand Prairie's national award-winning Parks, Arts & Recreation Department is now hiring summer workers for recreation centers, aquatic facilities, Loyd and Lynn Creek parks on Joe Pool Lake, golf courses, and more. Exciting work, indoors and outdoors. Apply today at gptx.org/jobs.
**What are Public Improvement Districts Doing in Grand Prairie?**

Currently, Public Improvements Districts (PIDs) are performing landscape improvements and maintenance functions, including maintaining rights-of-way and entrance flowerbeds, landscape irrigation services, maintenance of common property decorative fencing, sign maintenance, funding decorative lighting, and park and playground maintenance services.

All PID meetings are open to the public, and everyone is welcome! Sign up to receive e-mail notifications when the PID meeting schedule has been updated by visiting our website at gptx.org/pid, click on PID Meeting Schedule or any PID page, click on Subscribe to this page, enter your e-mail address, and click on Subscribe.

**Library Programs for the Entire Family**

**Kids**

**Dia del Niño**

Kids are invited to enjoy carnival games, face-painting, balloon animals, and a performance by El Show de Toty y Andy!

Wednesday, April 24

4:30-6 p.m.

Shotwell Library

2750 Graham St.

**Dance-Ability at the Library**

Join us as we recognize our differences with an inclusive evening of music and dancing at a special dance party for kids with disabilities and their families.

Note: Email Ashley at awyche@gptx.org for more information

Main Library, 901 Conover Dr. - Friday, April 26 at 5:30 p.m.

**Adults**

**Wellness Wednesdays**

Discover a holistic path to wellness in our series exploring the mind-body connection, nutrient-dense eating, and sustainable lifestyle choices.

Registration: Email vqguerra@gptx.org

Main Library, 901 Conover Dr. - Wednesdays at 1 p.m.

April 17: Holistic Lifestyle and Sustainable Eating

**A Taste of Tarot**

Explore the history and basics of Tarot reading and discover different uses for Tarot cards.

Registration: Email awyche@gptx.org

Main Library, 901 Conover Dr. - Tuesday, April 9 at 6 p.m.

**Sound Healing**

Experience a diverse collection of ambient soundscapes and crystal bowl resonances and immerse yourself in the soothing melodies and tranquil vibrations of our Sound Healing expert.

Registration: Email jrudd@gptx.org

Main Library, 901 Conover Dr. - Saturday, April 13 at 1 p.m.

**Flood Safety**

Flooding is a temporary overflow of water onto land that is normally dry. It is the most common natural disaster in the U.S. Here are some quick tips to practice flood safety for the upcoming rainy season:

- Evacuate when advised by authorities or if you are in a flood or flash flood-prone area.
- Never drive or walk through flooded streets; water can be deceivingly shallow.
- Six inches of water will reach the bottom of most passenger cars causing loss of control and possible stalling.

Questions? Contact the Office of Emergency Management at 972-237-8333 or oem@gptx.org

**Water Bill Assistance Program**

Donate as little as $1 per month with your water bill payment to help Grand Prairie families who cannot pay their water bills.

To make your donation, use the QR code above or visit the city website at gptx.org/waterbillassistance, find the Water Bill Assistance Program and click on the donation links. This program is sponsored by the City of Grand Prairie in cooperation with Grand Prairie United Charities. For information, call 972-237-8200.