

CITY OF HILLCREST VILLAGE HIGHLIGHTS

*Recognizing the people
volunteering their time
and talents for our village*

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COMMUNITY HALL

Check out these changes at our City Hall! These guys have really made a special effort to breathe life back into our center. Here is a quick summary of all of their efforts:

- Flags were a little tattered:
 - Al Perry is trying to get another set under the warranty from when he purchased the original ones
 - Brad Dawson donated an American Flag to display while Al is working on the original flags. (City of Hillcrest purchased a Texas Flag to display too)
- New paint inside the building and safety updates – A special thank you to John Patterson, Brad Dawson and Randy Smith. John donated all of the new paint! Plus he was able to recruit Brad Dawson and Randy Smith to paint the inside. Brad also used his knowledge and skill to build a way to safely hold the chairs and tables inside the building. **This was approx. \$3,000 savings for the city**
- Updating the building from the outside – Brad and John were at it again! They were able to repair the outside lights and door for the building. Plus they worked with the city inspector to install an electrical outlet on the outside strong enough for any future outside functions. **More savings for the city!! All donations of their time for us**
- Keeping the building secure – Brad worked on the locks at the building to ensure they were working properly. It was **another huge savings** to be able to keep the construction grade door and lock system.
- If you're interested in renting this new space, please call Randy Smith
 - Rates:
 - Resident: \$175 for 6 hours
 - Nonresident: \$250 for 6 hours
 - Refundable \$150 cleaning deposit

TOPIC 01

Check out the upgrades the Community Hall has had! Huge thank you to Brad Dawson, John Patterson, and Randy Smith

TOPIC 02

Meet your police officer AJ Lacy! We greatly appreciate you picking our Village to volunteer and to keep us safe.

TOPIC 03

John Patterson worked to get more of our drainage items completed!!



Brad Dawson working on the door

MEET YOUR POLICE OFFICER

We have so many great people helping to support our city. Some of those people are part of our Police Force. We wanted to help you get to know them by featuring them in our "Highlights" and asking them a few conversation starting questions. Our first person to interview was **AJ Lacy!** If you see him around, thank him for his time and for keeping us safe. (He is one of our volunteer officers!!)

Where did you grow up? **I grew up on the beautiful island of Galveston, TX.**

How long have you been volunteering here? **I have been enjoying my employment here for about 3 years**

What is your best memory of working here? **Currently, my best memory of Hillcrest is interacting with the citizens when they are riding their bikes, walking, or driving through the city. Most of the residents go out of their way to speak or wave to me**

What did you do prior to coming to Hillcrest? **I have 20 years of service with half the years being on the streets and the other half being within the school system. Having both experiences have helped me when working within the City of Hillcrest**

What is your favorite movie? **It is hard to pick a favorite movie, but I guess if I had to narrow it down to only one, it would be "Lean on me" with Morgan Freeman. I worked at a police department in the past that I was able to incorporate some of the principles from that movie to change the culture of the school.**

What is your hidden talent? **My hidden talent is that I am a minister. A great benefit of being a minister is that it reminds me that people are not our problem. "People are our purpose".**



CHECK OUT THE NEW DRAINAGE

Thank you John Patterson for working with the county to encourage them to come out to us. This is going to help us tremendously when we have any future storms!

