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City of Fort Worth recognition as a HEART Safe Community by the North Central Texas Trauma Regional **Advisory Council (NCTTRAC)**

Fort Worth, TX – The North Central Texas Trauma Regional Advisory Council approved the City of Fort Worth as a recognized HEART Safe Community in late 2018. To date, fifteen (15) communities within the NCTTRAC's 19 county region have applied and received this status. The City of Fort Worth is now the largest HEART Safe Community.

The Fort Worth Safe Communities Coalition and their partners completed the application to be a HEART Safe Community in August 2018. The application was accepted by the NCTTRAC Cardiac Committee and then approved by the NCTTRAC Board on November 14, 2018.

The HEART Safe Community Program is designed to recognize the efforts a community makes to its citizens in protecting them from the effects of heart disease and sudden death by evaluating different aspects of the system as a whole.

Recognition requires a multi-disciplinary team approach to review and complete the components of the HEART Safe Community program. Communities that successfully complete the application process are eligible to display the NCTTRAC HEART Safe Community street signs throughout their communities, become recognized as a HEART Safe Community and have an impact on a new program in Texas that will lead to saving lives.

HEART Safe Community recognition will be presented by the North Central Texas Trauma Regional Advisory Council - Cardiac Committee to the City at Fort Worth City Council meeting on Tuesday, February 5, 2019, in honor of Heart Month. Fort Worth Fire Chief Jim Davis is anticipated to accept this recognition alongside the Fort Worth Safe Communities Coalition Cardiac Emergency Preparedness Task Force.

For more information on HEART Safe Community: https://ncttrac.org/committees/cardiac/workgroup-heart-safe-community/







