



**DECEMBER**  
*Happy*  
**NEWSLETTER**  
*Holidays*

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# PARKS & OPEN SPACES

The sunset valley parks and open space plan provides a vision for future parks, conservation areas, and greenspace in Sunset Valley. It sets a comprehensive plan for balancing environmental restoration and responsible use of resources with the community's desire for additional park amenities, such as playgrounds, community garden, and farmers market pavilion.

Click [here](#) to read more about the Parks and Open Space *draft* plan that was submitted, November 15, 2022, by Asakura Robinson and the Parks and Open Space Ad Hoc Committee. Prioritization and discussion of the plan will take place at the upcoming Council Retreat on December 13th.

## Upcoming Events

### SUNSET VALLEY EVENT CALANDER

12/6 City Council Meeting

12/ 13 City Council Retreat

12/ 16 Winter Solstice Event



## Safety Tips for the holidays

[READ FULL POST HERE](#)

1. Protect delivered packages. Online ordering has skyrocketed, especially during the holiday season. If you've ordered online and are expecting front-door delivery, protect deliveries from theft by tracking your shipments, leaving specific delivery instructions, and installing a front-door camera.
2. Keep presents out of sight. Hiding holiday gifts in a closet or storage area keeps them out of sight from children ... and burglars. If someone saw through your windows or front door during the holiday season, you wouldn't want gifts advertised or on display. The safest bet is to keep them out of sight until it's time to give them.
3. Disguise boxes at the curb. After presents have been opened, don't advertise them on trash day. Cross out your personal information, break them down into small fragments, and try to hide markings on the sides of boxes that show what item was inside.

# Brown Santa

NOW ACCEPTING ITEMS FOR OUR ANNUAL  
BROWN SANTA TOY DRIVE

Travis County Sheriff's Brown Santa program is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that is sponsored by the Travis County Sheriff's Office. The program provides assistance with gifts and food during the holiday season to families and elderly citizens in Travis County primarily living outside the geographic city limits of Austin. All of this is possible with donations and support from local merchants and community members. This community event is supported by the community, for the community. For more information please email Danielle at [aramirez@sunsetvalley.org](mailto:aramirez@sunsetvalley.org).

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE](#)

Donations can be dropped off at the  
following locations:

Sunset Valley Police Department  
3207 Jones Road, 78745  
&  
Sunset Valley Public Works  
3205 Jones Road, 78745



# CITY COUNCIL ACTION

November 15th

- Approval of a Temporary Special Use Permit for the Trail of Lights Foundation to operate a shuttle service at the Toney Burger Center, 3200 Jones Road, on various dates in December 2022 in coordination with the Sunset Valley Police Department for a traffic plan
- Approval of amendments to the Human Resources Policy Manual Section 1.06 Administrative Authority
- Approval of the purchase of one (1) police vehicle from Silsbee Ford in an amount not to exceed \$68,000 using repair and replacement funds
- Approval of an easement for city-owned property at 6401 Brodie Lane for the construction of a waterline

November 16th

- Approval of a Resolution of the Canvass and Certification as to the results of the General and Special City Elections in the City of Sunset Valley, Texas held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022
- Inauguration and swearing in of Mayor Marc Bruner and Council Members Robert Johnson, Karen Medicus and Charles Young



## Wastewater Averaging

Notice to all residents that water use in December, January and February will be used for calculating a wastewater volume charge beginning with the March bill. The volume charge will only apply to residential customers with an average monthly water use over 10,000 gallons.

Customers are encouraged to reduce outdoor watering to avoid the impact of this charge. Turn off your irrigation system, or use it manually only as needed during the winter months. For more information or to schedule a free irrigation audit, please call Public Works at 512-891-9103.



# Chiefs Corner

## SUNSET VALLEY POLICE BLOTTER

During the month of November 2022, the Sunset Valley Police Department responded to 612 calls for service. Of those calls the following resulted in an incident report.

Location	Offense	Details
1200 Home Depot Blvd	Theft	Manager reported an employee who was caught altering the price of items for his own benefit
4900 Hwy 290	Recovered Stolen Vehicle	Officers recovered disabled stolen vehicle that two males had pushed onto property
1200 Home Depot Blvd	Vehicle Burglary	Unknown suspect shattered victim's window and stole money from inside of vehicle
5601 Brodie Lane	Stolen License Plate	City cameras alerted officers to a vehicle that had been reported stolen. After further investigation it was determined that the license plate belonged to a car that had been reported stolen out of Austin and affixed to the driver's vehicle
5207 Brodie Lane	Theft	Suspect stole a pair of shoes and walked out of store. Later, the suspect discovered that he left his cell phone inside of the store
5400 Brodie Lane	Forgery	Suspect attempted to purchase items with counterfeit \$100 bills
4800 Westgate Blvd	Stolen License Plate	City cameras alerted officers to a truck that had been reported stolen. After officers pulled over the truck it was determined that the driver had reported that his license plates were stolen from his truck rather than the truck being stolen.
5601 Brodie Lane	Theft	Suspect filled a bag with fragrances and left store without paying for them
5207 Brodie Lane	Stolen Vehicle	Female reported that she left her keys inside of her car and an unknown suspect stole her vehicle
5601 Brodie Lane	Recovered Stolen Vehicle	City cameras alerted officers to stolen vehicle. Officers recovered the stolen vehicle. The vehicle was reported stolen out of Austin
4800 Hwy 290	Vehicle Burglary	Unknown suspect opened victim's tailgate and stole all tools from the bed of the truck
1200 Home Depot Blvd	Vehicle Burglary	A rented trailer and tools were not returned to store per the rental agreement
4900 Hwy 290	Stolen Vehicle	City cameras alerted officers to a vehicle that had been reported stolen out of Austin. Officers recovered the stolen vehicle
629 Ben White Blvd	DWI	A witness observed the driver of another vehicle drinking alcohol and driving erratically. The witness called police. Officers confirmed that the driver was intoxicated and arrested him.
5207 Brodie Lane	Theft	Officers used city cameras to identify a vehicle that was involved in a theft
5400 Brodie Lane	-Recovered Stolen Vehicle- Criminal Trespass	-Officer noticed a vehicle behind a business after hours. A computer check revealed that the vehicle had been reported stolen.-A male was issued a notice of trespass for attempting to steal items from the store
5207 Brodie Lane	Identity Theft	Complainant reported that someone opened unauthorized accounts in his name
Reese Drive	Theft	Complainant reported that contractor did not perform services after receiving payment
5000 Brodie Lane	Accident w/ Injury	A vehicle struck a cyclist and fled without leaving information or rendering assistance

*Increased online ordering during the holidays presents tempting opportunities for Grinches who want to steal holiday joy!*

A few simple tips to protect your packages from theft:

- Retrieve packages as soon as they arrive. You can usually track your packages so, if you are away from home have someone pick them up for you.
- Pick up your packages someplace else like a ship-to-store or at retail stores
- If you plan to be out of town, place a hold on deliveries
- Have your packages placed out of sight behind a planter, outdoor furniture, or column on your porch.

Help us to prevent incidents of package delivery by keeping an eye out for suspicious activity and calling 911!

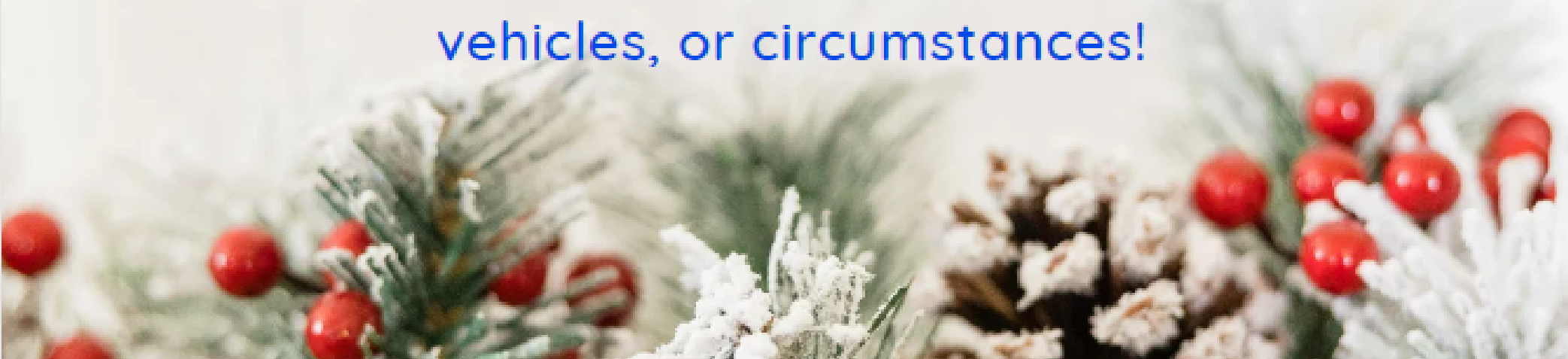


# 'TIS THE SEASON

## *To Protect Your Packages*

If you've ordered online and are expecting front-door delivery, protect deliveries from theft by tracking your shipments and leaving specific delivery instructions.

Don't hesitate to call 911 to report suspicious people, vehicles, or circumstances!





15TH ANNUAL  
20 23  
SUNSET VALLEY  
ARTFEST

**SATURDAY  
APR 29** OUTSIDE THE  
TONEY BURGER CENTER  
10 AM - 6 PM  
[SUNSETVALLEY.ORG/ARTFEST](http://SUNSETVALLEY.ORG/ARTFEST)

15TH ANNUAL  
20 23  
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**CALL FOR ARTISTS**  
**SATURDAY APR 29** 10 AM - 6 PM  
OUTSIDE THE TONEY BURGER CENTER

**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR THE  
2023 SUNSET VALLEY ARTFEST**  
This is a one-day celebration of the arts with over 90 artisans,  
live music, kids' activities, local food, and new extended hours.  
Over 7,800 shoppers expected again in 2023.

**APPLY HERE**   
[SUNSETVALLEY.ORG/ARTFEST](http://SUNSETVALLEY.ORG/ARTFEST) 

All work must be created by the artist and original,  
such as paintings, sculpture, woodworking,  
photography, jewelry, fiber arts, etc.

HOSTED BY THE CITY OF SUNSET VALLEY ARTS COMMISSION

## UPCOMING EVENTS

*Save the date*  
Sunset Valley  
Winter Solstice Event  
DECEMBER 16, 2022

**SUNSET VALLEY**  
IT'S COOD TO BE HERE



The Sunset Valley City Council meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month - City Hall, 3205 Jones Road. Citizens are encouraged to participate.

(Photo 1: Pictured left to right) Council Members, Robert Johnson and Wanda Reetz , Mayor Marc Bruner, Council members Rudi Rosengarten, Karen Medicus and Charles Young

