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Mesquite Police Academy graduates seven recruits

The Mesquite Police Department (MPD) graduated seven recruits from its Basic Police Officer Course (BPOC) on January 18. Less than four percent of the 2,664 law enforcement agencies in Texas have a training academy. MPD has graduated 52 recruits from its BPOC since the training academy began in 2013.

The graduates are Hanae Elmamoun – Kingdom of Morocco; Caleb Randolph Parker – Mesquite, TX; Brandon Davis – Plano, TX; Joshua J. Osburn – Allen, TX; Daniel James Ninedorf – Madison, WI; Celeste Quintero Martinez – Mesquite, TX; Danielle Larrison-Argueta – Keller, TX.

The seven new police officers completed 25 weeks of the BPOC program. They will now begin a 17-week field training program. Upon successful completion of the field training program the police officers will be assigned to patrol duties.



Register for the 2018 Neighborhood Summit to be held February 17

Join the City of Mesquite Office of Neighborhood Vitality for its inaugural Neighborhood Summit from 8:15 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday, February 17, at the Mesquite ISD Professional Development Center, [2600 Motley Drive](#). The registration deadline to attend this free and public event is Friday, February 9, by 5 p.m. The summit theme is Connecting Resources One Neighborhood at a Time. For more information and to register online, visit www.cityofmesquite.com/NeighborhoodSummit.



Animal Services offers January adoption special

Mesquite Animal Services, located at [1650 Gross Road](https://www.google.com/maps/place/1650+Gross+Road,+Mesquite,+TX+75048), will offer a “Take Me Home Tuesdays” adoption special every Tuesday in January. All adoptions on Tuesdays will be \$20.18. The adoption fee includes sterilization, vaccinations and microchipping. Visit

www.cityofmesquite.com/AnimalServices for shelter hours of operation.



Mesquite Polar Plunge to take place on January 27

The Special Olympics Annual Mesquite Polar Plunge will take place on Saturday, January 27, at City Lake Aquatic Center, [200 Parkview St](https://www.google.com/maps/place/200+Parkview+St,+Mesquite,+TX+75048). Registration begins at 8 a.m. with the plunge beginning at 10 a.m. Recruit your friends, grab a costume and take a plunge into the icy cold waters of City Lake Aquatic Center to support athletes in

the Greater Dallas area. Mayor Stan Pickett has also pledged to be the first one down the slide if \$500 is raised in his name. To donate in Mayor Pickett's name, go to [Mayor Pickett's Polar Plunge page](https://www.cityofmesquite.com/mayor-picketts-polar-plunge) and click on the "Donate Now" button. Visit [Mesquite Polar Plunge](https://www.cityofmesquite.com/mesquite-polar-plunge) for more information.



Mesquite celebrates Unity in the Community with inaugural Martin Luther King, Jr. Day celebration


The City of Mesquite partnered with community groups to host Unity in the Community on January 15, honoring the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The program included speakers and performers from area churches,


civic groups and the Mesquite City Council. Watch a brief [video recap of the event](https://www.cityofmesquite.com/unity-in-the-community).




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