



## 2020 Awards & Honors

*City of North Richland Hills departments and staff received the following awards and honors during 2020:*

### **Budget & Finance**

The city earned the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association.

North Richland Hills' Aa2 and AA+ credit ratings were reaffirmed by Moody's and S&P, a reflection of the city's sound financial management and strong economy.

### **Economic Development**

The city received two awards from the International Economic Development Council for work on the City Point development. This included a Silver Award for Creative Financing and a Bronze Award for Real Estate Redevelopment and Reuse.

### **Fleet Services**

NRH Fleet Services was recognized as one of the "Best 100 Fleets in the Americas for 2020," coming in at #83. The Top 100 Fleet award is for government fleets of which there are more than 38,000 public fleets in North America.

### **Human Resources**

The Human Resources Department was presented the Bronze Workplace Health Achievement Award from the American Heart Association for building a culture of health and wellness in the city's workplace.

### **Keep NRH Beautiful**

Keep NRH Beautiful was named a Gold Star Affiliate by Keep Texas Beautiful and earned the Sustained Excellence Award from the Governor's Community Achievement Award Program.

### **Library**

The NRH Library earned the Achievement of Library Excellence Award from the Texas Municipal Library Directors Association.

### **Parks & Recreation**

Richland Tennis Center Manager David Webb was awarded the 2020 Large Facility Manager of the Year Award by the Texas Chapter of the U.S. Professional Tennis Association.

Richland Tennis Center was recognized as the 2020 Municipal Facility of the Year by Racquet Sports Industry.

Yelp awarded NRH2O Family Water Park the "2020 People Love Us On Yelp" recognition, which is only awarded to the most highly rated and best-reviewed businesses on Yelp.

## **Planning & Development**

The Texas Chapter of the American Planning Association chose the Vision2030 Transportation Plan as a recipient of the chapter's 2020 Gold Transportation Achievement Award.

Staff earned a Certificate of Achievement for Planning Excellence from the Texas Chapter of the American Planning Association.

## **Police Department**

The Police Department earned recertification in the Texas Police Chiefs Association Best Practices Recognition Program. This program recognizes agencies that meet or exceed 166 Texas Law Enforcement Best Practices. Recertification takes place every four years.

Officer Matt Boyd received the MADD Hero Award for his work in keeping intoxicated drivers off the streets.

Dispatcher Haley Hansen received the Stork Award from Tarrant County 9-1-1 for delivering a baby via 9-1-1.

Dispatcher Jeylan Peet was recognized by Richland Hills Police for her outstanding efforts in assisting in a high-scale investigation that led to the arrest of a fugitive.

NRH SWAT Negotiators earned 4th place in a statewide competition.

Officers Chris Lizak and Tom Bulger, along with K-9s Koba and Breta, were recognized by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service for outstanding service and partnership.