

# IMPORTANT VOLUNTARY COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS

(As of March 2026)

**The following are significant accomplishments by voluntary members for the benefit of everyone in the Chisholm Heights community:**

1. We stopped oil/gas truck traffic from driving through the neighborhood to enter Begg's Ranch to our South. Bobby Pickard led the successful effort to stop up to 100 trucks (per day) from rolling through the neighborhood. This was a 3-year effort that involved a trip to Austin to meet with legislators, talks with county and state leaders, supporting news and magazine articles, and the establishment of a blog that aided communications – all of which finally accomplished the goal that the neighborhood can still be grateful for. A copy of a Fort Worth newspaper article and a link to the blog are on our website.
2. The low-water crossings, both East and West of us on White Settlement Road, were a problem for many years. High water more than once left some of us stranded on our way home. Our community was isolated until the water receded. Our residents along with the school district pressured the County to restructure road crossings that eventually solved the problem.
3. In the '90's before White Settlement Road was completely paved, we lobbied the County for needed grading and eventual complete paving of our only access road.
4. The recent (2024) repaving of John Chisholm and Chisholm Hills roads happened with the help of one of our community members.
5. An auto maintenance business was planned by a potential buyer on Moyer Court and one of our members took quick action to prevent this disruption to our neighborhood.
6. A Lot on John Chisholm Road was about to be leased to an equestrian group with planned RV occupancy. But one of our members advised them of the Deed Restrictions that were on file with Parker County, and their plans were dropped.
7. In the interest of communications throughout our community we have:
  - a. Developed neighborhood directories that have been useful for general communication and contacts during emergencies such as fires in our area. The latest Directory is dated January 2024.
  - b. We have encouraged neighborhood crime watch and relayed information on criminal events in our areas. We had an informative police department guest speaker at an earlier meeting, and we had a Parker Co. Sheriffs Department representative give us an update on area activities, crime, etc. at our meeting on 3-21-2026.

- c. We created a website for the benefit of all Chisholm Heights residents.  
<https://chisholmheightshomeowners.com>
- d. We frequently emphasize our enforceable community Deed Restrictions via meetings and person to person contacts. Deed Restrictions are important to help maintain a quality, well-kept community and to maintain or increase our property values.
- e. We plan future meetings of members for social reasons, community awareness and continued communication. Future area events will require our additional awareness and perhaps action in our best interest. For example, we discussed the following:
  - (1) Beggs Ranch development to our South could impact us in unknown ways to include possible traffic access through our community.
  - (2) Weatherford city limits have moved to our West as close as our western community boundary. See Item 8 below.
  - (3) There has been a large increase in crime in Parker County due to rapid population increases in places like the Walsh Ranch and Morningstar developments. We understand that Sheriff's Deputy presence at any given time in Parker Co. has increased to 8 Deputy's verses 2 a short time ago – and they struggle to keep up with activity. We know that Morning Star has hired extra security because of increased crime.

8. In 2025, we discovered that our Chisholm Heights community was divided into the Extra Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ) of Fort Worth, Willow Park and Weatherford. Therefore, we conducted three separate, successful, petition efforts to obtain release from these ETJ's using the opportunity provided by the Texas Legislature (Senate Bill 2038) to Opt-Out of a municipalities ETJ. These three research and petition efforts by voluntary community members required considerable time and effort for the benefit of our overall Chisholm Heights Community. The primary purpose of an ETJ release effort is to resist future city annexation. Interestingly, since our ETJ releases were so successful, we were asked by four other Parker Co. communities for help with their Opt-Out petition efforts. Three of the additional communities have already received approval for their ETJ release and the fourth effort is still in work. No doubt we saved several thousand dollars by accomplishing these efforts ourselves, rather than hiring lawyers to do it for us. The total effort for our three Chisholm Heights petitions and the other four efforts has resulted in approximately 1000 acres of property ensured to remain in Parker County (outside a cities jurisdiction), while representing over \$100 million in current appraised property value.

**And the voluntary efforts to benefit our valued community by a few of our dedicated homeowners will no doubt continue. We are always interested in additional help if anyone is willing to participate.**