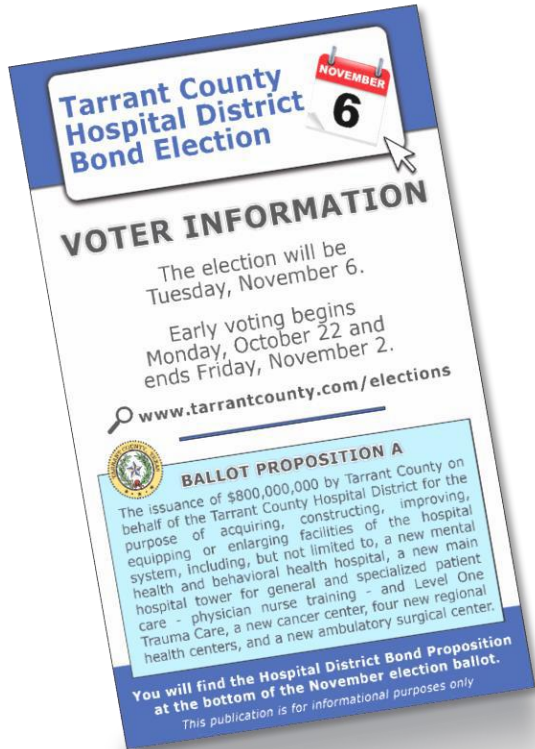


HOSPITAL DISTRICT BOND ELECTION 2018



Tarrant County Hospital District Bond Election

NOVEMBER 6

VOTER INFORMATION

The election will be Tuesday, November 6.

Early voting begins Monday, October 22 and ends Friday, November 2.

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BALLOT PROPOSITION A

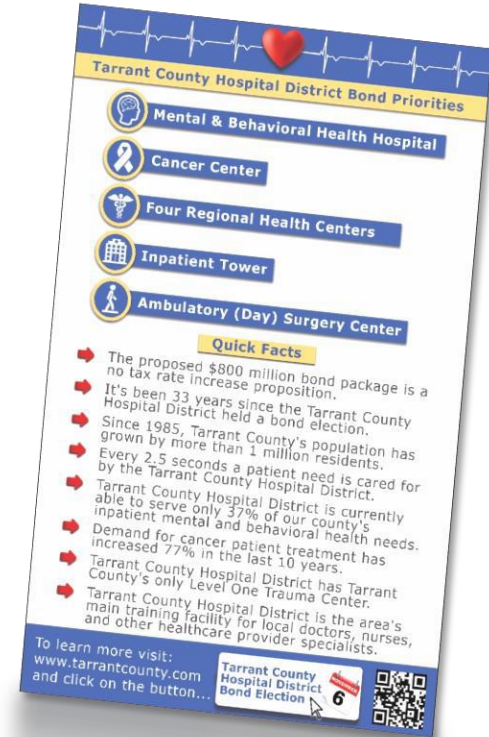
The issuance of \$800,000,000 by Tarrant County on behalf of the Tarrant County Hospital District for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, improving, equipping or enlarging facilities of the hospital system, including, but not limited to, a new mental health and behavioral health hospital, a new main hospital tower for general and specialized patient care - physician nurse training - and Level One Trauma Care, a new cancer center, four new regional health centers, and a new ambulatory surgical center.

You will find the Hospital District Bond Proposition at the bottom of the November election ballot.
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Educational Forum



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Tarrant County Hospital District Bond Priorities

- Mental & Behavioral Health Hospital**
- Cancer Center**
- Four Regional Health Centers**
- Inpatient Tower**
- Ambulatory (Day) Surgery Center**


Quick Facts

- ➔ The proposed \$800 million bond package is a no tax rate increase proposition.
- ➔ It's been 33 years since the Tarrant County Hospital District held a bond election.
- ➔ Since 1985, Tarrant County's population has grown by more than 1 million residents.
- ➔ Every 2.5 seconds a patient need is cared for by the Tarrant County Hospital District.
- ➔ Tarrant County Hospital District is currently able to serve only 37% of our county's inpatient mental and behavioral health needs.
- ➔ Demand for cancer patient treatment has increased 77% in the last 10 years.
- ➔ Tarrant County Hospital District has Tarrant County's only Level One Trauma Center.
- ➔ Tarrant County Hospital District is the area's main training facility for local doctors, nurses, and other healthcare provider specialists.

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The Tarrant County Hospital District Bond Proposition was developed through a multi-year process.

- This November's bond proposition has been submitted for voter determination only after an extensive multi-year process involving:
 - public input,
 - a thorough current and long-range needs assessment,
 - a review of the needs assessment by the Citizens Blue Ribbon Committee,
 - dedicated work by the Tarrant County Commissioners Court, Hospital District Board of Managers, and staff.

Tarrant County Hospital District's \$800 Million Improvement Bond Proposition will NOT increase the Tax Rate.

- Our Tarrant County Commissioners Court ensured that only a **no tax rate increase** Hospital District bond improvement proposition would be submitted for voter determination.
- Over the past 15 years, the property tax rate for the Tarrant County Hospital District has declined.
- Approximately **60%** of the Hospital District's operational revenue comes from Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance, grants, and other **non-property tax sources**.

Our Commitment To A No Tax Rate Increase Hospital District Bond Package Involves:

- **Pay-As-We-Go** bond program oversight: the Commissioners Court will have direct oversight of the bond program (for construction and maintenance) to ensure no tax rate increase.
- **Not all bonds will be issued at the same time.** Hospital District bonds will be issued over the next 10 years in increments to ensure market conditions don't inadvertently impact the tax rate.
- **Millions of taxpayer dollars are expected to be saved through efficiencies** such as expanding our internal mental health hospital capacity, instead of sending these patients to private facilities.

Our Commitment To A No Tax Rate Increase Hospital District Bond Package Involves:

- **Finally, a healthy county population goes hand-in-hand with reducing operational costs** of our County's Hospital District. It's not efficient to treat everyone in an emergency room environment. To guard against an epidemic health care crisis on the physical health and financial well-being of our citizens, and to protect against higher costs, the Hospital District is committed to ensuring we have the following adequate services and facilities: patient, mental health, cancer, surgical and trauma.

Quick FACTS on Hospital District and Tarrant County

- Today, [every 2.5 seconds](#) a patient need is cared for by the Tarrant County Hospital District.
- It's been 33 years since the Tarrant County Hospital District held a bond election.
- Since 1985, Tarrant County's population has grown by more than one million citizens.
- Tarrant County Hospital District has Tarrant County's only Level One Trauma Center.

Quick FACTS on Hospital District Patient Care and Provider Training

- Tarrant County Hospital District is currently able to serve only 37% of the county's mental and behavioral health needs.
- Patient treatment has increased 77% for the Tarrant County Hospital District over just the last 10 years.
- John Peter Smith Hospital is Tarrant County's primary training facility for local doctors, nurses, and other health care professionals.
 - Trains over 3,200 students annually.
 - Offers 12 physician residency training programs.
 - The largest hospital-based family medicine program in the country.

Tarrant County Hospital District Bond Proposition A Ballot Language and Location on the Ballot

Tarrant County Hospital District Proposition A will be located at [the bottom of the November 6, 2018 ballot](#) (after the partisan candidate elections). The bond proposition will seek voter determination “For” or “Against”:

The issuance of \$800,000,000 by Tarrant County on behalf of the Tarrant County Hospital District for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, improving, equipping or enlarging facilities of the hospital system needed to meet the demands of the public business of the county, including, but not limited to, a new mental health and behavioral health hospital, a new main hospital tower for general and specialized patient care-physician nurse training – and Level One Trauma Care, a new cancer center, four new regional health centers, and a new ambulatory surgical center.

Tarrant County Hospital District Bond Proposition A Improvement Priorities

- Expanded mental and behavioral health facilities.
- Updated and expanded hospital facilities for patient care and doctor/nurse training.
- Updates to Tarrant County's only Level One Emergency Trauma Center.
- A new and expanded cancer treatment center.
- Four new regional community patient care facilities and continued school-based student health partnerships.
- Updated and expanded ambulatory out-patient surgical facilities.

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