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Precinct 1 fair brings health, wellness and fun to South Side

Commissioner Sergio “Chico” Rodriguez will host the first Precinct 1 Community Health and Education Fair to give residents an opportunity to learn more about services and businesses located in Precinct 1 and throughout Bexar County. More than 30 organizations will be on hand to offer information, health screenings, fitness demonstrations and activities for kids. The fair will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 28, outside the Precinct 1 Satellite Office at 3505 Pleasanton Road.

“This event is a great opportunity for residents to come learn about the services provided by the county and organizations throughout Precinct 1 in a family-friendly festival environment,” Commissioner Rodriguez said. “We have so many wonderful organizations doing important work for our residents and this is the perfect way to highlight them and connect them to residents.”

Attendees will be given a passport to have stamped at various booths to then turn in for a prize. The Bexar County Master Gardeners will hand out free plants and several organizations will have giveaways such as fitness center guest passes. Raulito Navaira of KEDA radio will provide music throughout the fair.

Toyota will bring its Buckle Up for Life or *Abróchate a la Vida* and a booster seat giveaway. Because everyone deserves to feel safe, especially in their own vehicle, Buckle Up for Life was created by Toyota and Cincinnati Children’s to teach parents and children about the proper use of car seats and seat belts while providing free car seats to families in need. Toyota and Cincinnati Children’s have teamed up with local partner University Health System to provide 100 booster seats at the fair and offer child passenger safety education through handouts and children’s books. Certified child passenger safety technicians will be available to provide safety advice in English and Spanish.

University Health System also will bring its mobile mammography unit to provide exams for women and men. Attendees should pre-register for the mammography services by calling (210) 358-7020. Representatives from the health system’s CareLink financial assistance program will be on hand to provide enrollment and Affordable Care Act information.

Other activities and participating organizations include:

- Centro Fitness - Zumba demonstration and fitness information
- Chrysalis Ministries - life skills classes
- Bexar County Department of Community Resources - utility assistance, client services and veterans' services
- Project Quest - education and job assistance
- San Antonio AIDS Foundation - HIV and syphilis testing
- Bexar County Sheriff's Office - fingerprinting for kids, safety information and deputy recruitment
- San Antonio Food Bank - healthy cooking, recipes and nutrition information
- Texas A&M University - San Antonio's Military Community Development
- Texas Veterans Leadership Program
- BiblioTech - technology services and classes
- PEACE Initiative - domestic violence prevention
- Spay Neuter Assistance Program - pet sterilization information
- UT Medicine - diabetes screening
- San Antonio River Authority - Watershed Wise demonstration
- Goodwill Good Careers Academy - education and training opportunities
- Health Collaborative - vaccine information, health literacy and Project Measure Up
- IDEA Public Schools - school applications
- VIA Metropolitan Transit - information on routes, fares and discounts
- Bexar County Dispute Resolution Center - mediation for residents, businesses and organizations
- Communicare - program and medical assistance information
- Harlandale ISD - free family fitness classes
- Community First Health - information and application assistance for CHIP, Medicaid and the Health Insurance Marketplace
- SRA International - information about the Affordable Care Act
- Daughters of Charity - information about medical and dental care, wellness programs, social services, counseling and child care

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