

State of Texas
County of Williamson
Know all men by these presents:

That on the day of May 2024 the Commissioners Court of Williamson County, Texas met in duly called session at the Williamson County Courthouse, 710 Main Street, Georgetown, Texas, with the following members present:

Bill Gravell Jr., County Judge
Terry Cook, Commissioner Precinct One
Cynthia P. Long, Commissioner Precinct Two
Valerie Covey, Commissioner Precinct Three
Russ Boles, Commissioner Precinct Four

And at said meeting, among other business, the Court considered the following:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS treatment courts are the most successful intervention in our nation's history for leading people with substance use and mental health disorders out of the justice system and into lives of recovery, stability, and health; and

WHEREAS there are now more than 4,000 treatment courts nationwide; and

WHEREAS treatment courts are the cornerstone of justice reform sweeping the nation; and

WHEREAS treatment courts have transformed the way the justice system responds to people with substance use and mental health disorders by combining accountability with evidence-based treatment; and

WHEREAS treatment courts annually refer more than 150,000 people to lifesaving treatment and recovery support services; and

WHEREAS treatment courts save an average of \$6,000 for every individual they serve; and

WHEREAS treatment courts significantly improve substance use disorder treatment outcomes, substantially reduce addiction and related crime, and do so at less expense than any other justice strategy; and

WHEREAS treatment courts improve education, employment, housing, and financial stability, promote family reunification, reduce foster care placements; and

WHEREAS treatment courts facilitate community-wide partnerships, bringing together public safety and public health; and

WHEREAS treatment courts demonstrate that when one person rises, we all rise.

WHEREAS, the Williamson County Misdemeanor DWI/Drug Court has been in existence since 2006 and has served 675 participants with 548 successful graduates and 13 currently active in the program; and

WHEREAS, the Williamson County Veterans Treatment Court has been in existence since 2015 and has served 275 participants with 214 successful graduate and 39 currently active in the program; and

WHEREAS, the Williamson County Transformative Justice Program Court has been in existence since 2019 and has served 142 participants with 67 successful graduates and 37 currently active in the program; and

WHEREAS, the Williamson County Felony DWI/Drug Court has been in existence since 2019 and has served 113 participants with 72 successful graduate and 25 currently active in the program; and

WHEREAS, the Williamson County Felony Mental Health Docket has been in existence since 2019 and has served 58 participants with 23 successful graduates and 21 currently active in the program; and

WHEREAS, the Williamson County Family Recovery Court, our newest specialty court, accepted its first participant in 2021, and has 6 current participants and 6 proud, successful graduate families who have been reunified.

THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED; that the Williamson County Commissioners Court declares that Treatment Court Month be established during the month of May.

PROCLAIMED THIS DAY OF MAY 2024.

Bill Gravell Jr., County Judge