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**POLICE · COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS** 

## Greetings Normandy Forest!

Get to know your neighbors at this year's National Night Out event! According to natw.org "National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances." Volunteers are needed to help organize and run the event. All help is welcome! Neighborhood business owners are welcome to set up a table during the event. Contact Sherri Cabrera at 512-709-8476 for more

information. DATE: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 LOCATION: Normandy Forest Park TIME: 6:00pm – 8:00pm

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Steve Miller	281-723-2148

The Association has an active Architectural Control Committee that approves or denies all construction and any improvements. You may request an ACC form by contacting Chaparral Management 281-537-0957 or the association website. Please keep in mind that the Association has thirty days (30 days) to approve or disapprove any ACC and verbal approvals or disapprovals are not given.

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In the event of an emergency please call "911" or for Precinct 4
please program your cell phone with the number below.
Precinct 4
Jim Norris

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Call Centerpoint for street light rep	pair or outages
Electric   Reliant Energy	
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MUD #28 Meet 4th Tuesday of t	the Month @ 6:30pm
Hayes Utility South (Water & Sewer)	
Trash & Recycle   Republic Waste	
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9am to 5pm | closed for lunch 12:30 to 1:15 pm



## NEED TO REPORT A STREET LIGHT REPAIR OR A POWER OUTAGE?



**TO REPORT POWER OUTAGES** contact CenterPoint at 713-207-2222 or 800-332-7143.

#### TO REPORT STREET LIGHT OUTAGES

**Step 1** - Google "Outage center CenterPoint Energy" or visit the following website: https://www.centerpointenergy. com/en-us/residential/customer-service/ electric-outage-center?sa=ho

Photo: Example of 6 digit street light number to report

**Step 2 -** Click on "Report a Streetlight Outage"

Step 3 - There are 2 options for reporting

a street light outage:

i) If you know the 6 digit street light number posted on the light pole, then complete the online form.

ii) Or use CenterPoint's online map to report the outage.

### THE LITTLE FREE LIBRARY



Thanks to Ronda Mixon we have a Little Free Library in Normandy Forest. It is located near the "disabled parking" in the parking lot of the club house. The Little Free Library works this way. It's very simple: Take a book, leave a book. When you are done with the book, bring it back so others can enjoy it. If the book is one that becomes special to you, feel free to keep it. There are books for all ages, with children and teens being on the bottom shelf. Please keep the library neat and orderly as Ronda will be rotating the books once a month. If you have books to donate, please call Ronda at 832-663-5200 and she will make arrangements to pick them up. We would like to give a shout out to master carpenter Steve Miller and his assistant, Cecil Mixon, for building the library. We would like to encourage reading in Normandy Forest and all are welcome to participate in the Little Free Library.



Help Keep Our Neighborhood Beautiful!



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## **TEACHERS' TOP NEEDS FOR 2019**

Great classrooms don't happen by accident. Teachers across the country work hard to build vibrant, energizing learning environments for their students, which often means everything from microscopes to pipe cleaners, graphic novels to oboes, class pets to field trips and much more. As a result, teachers spend more than \$1 billion from their own pockets each year on supplies.

However, parents and community members can lend a hand. Helping to offset teachers' expenses can take many forms, from working directly with your child's teacher to identify needs to participating in school-based fundraisers. Another option is sharing your assistance with a program like DonorsChoose.org, which makes it easy for any individual to address the inequity in schools, one classroom at a time.

Over the past 19 years, more than 3.8 million people have donated to classrooms through the program. Last year alone, nearly 145,000 teachers had projects funded on the site and over 255,000 classroom requests were brought to life. These requests reveal some of the key things teachers across America need for success:

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#### **Books, Books and More Books**

While books may seem "old school," teachers know that a single book can change a student's life. Year after year, teachers request books more than any other resource. Many elementary school teachers ask for leveled reading books to meet their students' individual needs. Others want to diversify their libraries with books that reflect their students' identities. "The Hate U Give" and "Wonder" are among the most popular books requested this year, and e-readers have become a popular way to expand libraries beyond what the classroom bookshelf can hold.

#### **Flexible Seating and Classroom Furniture**

Many teachers credit flexible seating with transforming the classroom learning experience. Rather than rigid desks, students choose from comfy chairs, bouncy balls, bean bags or wobble stools, all designed to let students get those wiggles out so they can better focus on their work.

#### Technology

Because of rapidly evolving technology, 65% of children now entering primary school will hold jobs that don't currently exist. Resources like laptops and tablets help students learn at their own pace and practice 21st century skills like coding. For example, coding robots and 3D printers are becoming some of the most popular items requested in high schools.

#### Back to the Basics

Many teachers simply need basic supplies: paper, pencils and tissues top the list. Last year, teachers requested enough pens and pencils to write the complete works of William Shakespeare more than 2,000 times.

#### Life Essentials

An Appreciation for the Arts

Another popular request is "hygiene closets," which allow teachers to provide students facing poverty with free toiletries to take home such as deodorant, toothbrushes and toothpaste, as well as laundry supplies and clean undergarments.

There are plenty of extracurricular activities at nearly every school that require care and compassion from the community. Drama teams, for example, require supplies to create music, perform plays and more. Donations often allow students to explore their artistic abilities while learning how to create sets, write their own scenes, use instruments and more while simultaneously building their management and teamwork skills.

#### **Community Service**

Not all learning must take place in a classroom. In fact, teachers across the country often take aim at new ways to engage students, such as integrating practical life into the daily curriculum through an outdoor learning environment like a community



Most Requested **School Supplies** 

- Books
- Technology
- Basic Classroom Supplies
- Flexible seating

vegetable garden. By requesting composters, rain barrels, seeds, gardening tools and more, educators can take their classrooms outside to help make the planet healthier while students learn how to be healthier themselves. It also gives students an opportunity to give back to their community by donating food to local families in need.



Learn more about how you can make a difference for classrooms in need at www.donorschoose.org.



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