



**TOWN OF SHADY SHORES
KEEP SHADY SHORES BEAUTIFUL
REGULAR SESSION
JUNE 18, 2026; 6:00 PM
SHADY SHORES COMMUNITY CENTER
101 S. SHADY SHORES ROAD
SHADY SHORES, TX 76208**

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
 - Establish a quorum
- a. MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT
3. MINUTES:
 - a. Consider an action to approve the minutes of January 2026
4. WORKSESSION
5. Events
 - a. Arbor Day- Spring Clean 2027
 - b. Craft Fair and Chili Cook Off
6. Affiliate Information
 - a. Shady Shores Community Habitat Project — Community Pollinator NWF Habitats
 - b. Tree City Affiliate
 - c. Keep Texas Beautiful Affiliate Requirements
7. Demonstration Projects
 - a. Shady Lane Parklet
8. Education and Engagement
9. OLD BUSINESS
 - Consider and take action relative to ongoing projects and events as listed below.
10. NEW BUSINESS
 - Discuss any new projects to be considered at the next monthly meeting

11. ADJOURN

The Keep Shady Shores Beautiful Agenda was posted in accordance with Texas Open Meetings Act on _____, _____, _____ at _____: _____, _____.M.

IN ADDITION, A QUORUM OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS MAY CHOOSE TO ATTEND THE PLANNING AND ZONING MEETING POSTED ABOVE. THEREFORE, THIS IS NOTICE OF A CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT THE SAME TIME AND PLACE, WITH THE SAME AGENDA AS THE P&Z MEETING. IN THE EVENT A QUORUM OF COUNCIL IS PRESENT AT THE MEETING, NO ACTION OF THE COUNCIL WILL BE TAKEN. THIS NOTICE IS POSTED AT THE TIME STATED ABOVE.

Katie Klein, Community Relations



Shady Shores

KEEP SHADY SHORES BEAUTIFUL
JANUARY 15, 2026; 6:00 PM
SHADY SHORES COMMUNITY CENTER
101 S. SHADY SHORES ROAD
SHADY SHORES, TX 76208

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Gina Kemna opened the meeting at 6:06 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Establish a quorum

Members Present:

Juan Hernandez

Bill Krueger

Maddy Grimes

Gina Kemna

Melissa Migis

Council and Staff Liaisons

Charles Grimes

Katie Klein

Member Absent Excused:

Susan Warren

Whit Dieterich

Ellie Grimes

a. MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT

3. WORKSESSION

4. MINUTES:

- a. Consider an action to approve the minutes of November 20 2025

Motion to approve minutes as presented made by Bill Krueger

Second made by Juan Hernandez

All were in favor, no opposed.

5. OLD BUSINESS

Consider and take action relative to ongoing projects and events as listed below.

- a. Arbor Day- Spring Clean 2026
The committee determined to order Crepemyrtle as the town giveaway trees
- b. KSSB Hosts Craft Fair as a Fundraising Effort
The committee decided to proceed with exploratory planning.
The event will include a Chili Cook Off, Craft Fair, and Movie Play.
- c. Movie in the Park
- d. Community Pollinator NWF Habitats
The application has been started.
Brief update of process was given by staff, Katie Klein
- e. Tree City Affiliate
The committee discussed the tree tagging program.
- f. Keep Texas Beautiful Affiliate Requirements
Staff updated the committee on upcoming events and affiliate needs.
- g. Shady Lane Parklet
No update given
- h. Education and Engagement
Staff reviewed current ideas for campaigns, new ideas were generated.

6. NEW BUSINESS

Discuss any new projects to be considered at the next monthly meeting

- a. Operation Shore to Shore- Cooperative Event with other Entities around the Lake
Staff updated committee on event

7. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m. by Gina Kemna

Passed and Approved this _____ day of _____

Chair, Keep Shady Shores Beautiful

Katie Klein, Community Relations
Staff Representative for Town of Shady Shores



DATE:	June 18, 2026
TO:	Keep Shady Shores Beautiful
FROM:	Katie Klein, Administrative
SUBJECT:	Arbor Day- Spring Clean 2027

BACKGROUND/INFORMATION:

The Community-Wide Spring Clean event provides residents with an opportunity to dispose of unwanted items, reduce neighborhood clutter, and promote a cleaner, safer community. The event encourages responsible waste management, supports environmental stewardship, and helps improve the appearance of the town. By providing convenient disposal options and encouraging community participation, the event advances the goals of Keep Shady Shores Beautiful and fosters community pride.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION DESIRED:

Consider and take action on 2027 date for event

ATTACHMENTS/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

1. KSSB EVENTS 2027 Arbor Day Spring Clean Agenda Memorandum (1)

<u>REVIEWED BY:</u>



LAST UPDATE DATE:	June 8, 2026
Arbor Day is April 30, 2027 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider moving a week ahead or a week later • USACE has a commitment every year on this Saturday • Master Gardeners Plant Sale 	
TO:	Keep Shady Shores Beautiful
FROM:	Katie Klein, Administrative
SUBJECT:	Arbor Day- Spring Clean 2027

BACKGROUND/INFORMATION:

The Community Spring Clean and Arbor Day event is designed to promote environmental stewardship, improve local aesthetics, and strengthen community pride through hands-on volunteer engagement. The Spring Clean component focuses on litter removal, the cleanup of public spaces, and reducing environmental impacts to waterways, streets, and parks. Arbor Day activities emphasize tree planting, tree education, and long-term investment in the town's urban canopy, supporting sustainability, shade, and improved air quality. Together, these efforts encourage civic participation, foster partnerships between residents, schools, and local organizations, and reinforce the shared responsibility of maintaining a clean, healthy, and attractive community. The event also supports broader goals such as Keep Texas Beautiful initiatives and contributes to local quality of life and tourism appeal.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION DESIRED:

Set 2027 Date

ATTACHMENTS/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

Keep Shady Shores Programming:

Kindness Rocks

- Wet wipes
- Paint markers
- More rocks

Bee City

- Seeds

Tree City

- Tree giveaway -100

SWAG BAGS

- Butterfly houses
- Stickers

Partners to Invite

Agrilife steven.baringer@ag.tamu.edu

Local Bee

Master Naturalist

Master Gardener

Citizen Forrester

USACE

PD

LCFD

Upper Trinity Water District

Atmos

Coserv

Pavlov

Oncor

Chick fil A to sponsor a breakfast

Collections

Wood Chipper

Habitat for construction supplies

Tires

Project Sneaker

Computer Crusher

Magic Shred

REVIEWED BY:



DATE:	June 18, 2026
TO:	Keep Shady Shores Beautiful
FROM:	Katie Klein, Administrative
SUBJECT:	Craft Fair and Chili Cook Off

BACKGROUND/INFORMATION:

Bold flavors, local finds, and neighbors coming together—the Chili Cook-Off & Community Market is where friendly competition meets hometown charm... Shady Shores, where life happens. Proceeds benefit Keep Shady Shores Beautiful.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION DESIRED:

Review the Events Volunteers memo.

ATTACHMENTS/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

1. 2026 Hoot and Holler Community Market and Chili Cook Off

REVIEWED BY:

DATE: October 3, 2026 (Rain Dates: October 10 th)	Last Team Meeting: May 5, 2026 Notes last updated 6.1.2026
TO:	Keep Shady Shores Beautiful, Community Events Volunteers
FROM:	Katie Klein, Administrative
SUBJECT:	Hoot and Holler Community Market and Chili Cook Off Bold flavors, local finds, and neighbors coming together—the Chili Cook-Off & Community Market is where friendly competition meets hometown charm... Shady Shores, where life happens.

BACKGROUND/INFORMATION:

Shady Shores Community Event – Community Market & Chili Cook-Off

Date of Event: October 3, 2026

Rain Date: October 10, 2026

Location: Shady Shores Community Center

Event Overview

Community Market

- **Time:** 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
- **Vendor Fees:**
 - \$10.00 Resident
 - \$20.00 Non-Resident
- **Set-Up Begins:** 8:00 AM
- Vendors will be assigned 10' x 10' spaces around Town Hall gardens (horseshoe layout).
- Vendors must provide their own tables, chairs, and tents.

Chili Cook-Off

- **Time:** 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM
- **Entry Fee:** \$10.00 per team/contestant

Schedule:

- 11:00 AM – Registration and set-up
- 12:00 PM – Judging begins / public serving
- 1:00 PM – Awards presentation

Set-Up Requirements:

- Tables arranged around flagpole area (approx. 15–20 entries expected)
- Town will provide electrical access for crockpots
- Participants must provide:
 - Tables and chairs
 - Fire extinguisher (required)

Facilities & Layout

- Community Room: Registration area for both events
- Town will provide:
 - Picnic tables
 - Card tables
 - Long tables for public seating and dining

Day-Of Assignments

- **Set-Up Coordination:**
 - Ashlea Grimes (Vendor and contestant placement)
- **Registration:**
 - Trisha Grimes (Vendor and contestant check-in)
- **Judging Coordination:**
 - Chris Naiver
- **Photography / Crowd Monitoring:**
 - Assigned volunteer (TBD)
- **Breakdown / Clean-Up Coordination:**
 - Assigned volunteer (TBD)
- **Traffic Control / Safety Coordination:**
 - Coordination requested with VIPS and Corinth Police Department

Additional Planning Tasks

- **T-Shirts:**
 - Mindy – gather event shirt information
 - Sanbay
 - Katie – coordinate online registration forms and shirt information
 - Blue Moon quote
 - Sticker Mule quote

- **Entertainment:**
 - Musicians/Band coordination assigned to committee member(s)
- **Judges:**
 - Volunteer requests to be made to **LCFD and CPD**
 - Law enforcement and fire department personnel indicated willingness to assist with judging support

Online Registration

- ✓ Community Market registration: **Completed and live**
- ✓ Chili Cook-Off registration: **Completed and live**
- ✓ _____

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Event Supplies and Estimated Costs

Chili Cook-Off Merchandise

- T-shirts: Quote process initiated
- Stickers: TBD cost
- Temporary tattoos: TBD cost

Vendor Area Materials

- Flags for vendor space marking:
 - 50 for \$7.99
 - 100 for \$11.99
 - 300 for \$26.89 (recommended bulk option for long-term use)

Awards

- Existing trophies available (2 unused)
- Option: Replace plaques or engrave wooden spoons
- Cost inquiry to be completed (KK to obtain pricing)

Serving & Event Supplies

- Tablecloths (plastic roll): \$23–\$26.99 per 300 ft roll (Amazon)
- Plasticware (spoons): 360 count – \$25.99
- Tasting cups: Inventory check in storage required
- Voting tickets: Already on hand (used for judging votes)

Food Supplies (Chili Cook-Off Support Items)

- Crackers:
 - Saltine packets (individually wrapped): 100 for \$11.65
 - Fritos:
 - Plain (Amazon): \$18.41
 - Bulk 64-count: \$96.95 (*suggested for resale/portion control—will be charged item*)
- Drinks: Will be sold (pricing structure to be determined)
- Cheese (for judging/service): Selection needed
- Sour Cream: Needed
- Shredded Cheese: Needed

✓ Add a Fall Festival for Kids Games

Ducks in a pond

Pumpkin Chunkin contest-Pumpkin rolling contest

Pumpkin decorating – painting contest

Bingo

Leaf rubbing or nature craft

✓ Host Volunteer Sign Up

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION DESIRED:

Consider hosting a craft fair to raise funds for KSSB.

Purpose of Event

A **Chili Cook-Off & Community Market** brings together flavor, creativity, and connection—turning a simple gathering into a lively community experience.

Celebrate Community & Creativity

The cook-off invites friendly competition, giving residents a chance to share their best recipes and a little hometown pride.

Support Local Makers & Vendors

The community market provides a space for local artisans, growers, and small businesses to showcase and sell their goods.

Bring Neighbors Together

Food has a way of connecting people. Sampling chili, browsing booths, and visiting with neighbors creates a welcoming, social atmosphere.

Create a Vibrant Gathering Place

Combining food and shopping adds energy and variety, encouraging people to stay, explore, and engage.

Encourage Community Pride

Events like this highlight the talent and spirit within the community, reinforcing what makes it special.

Provide Family-Friendly Fun

With something for everyone—tasting, shopping, and socializing—it's an easy, enjoyable outing for all age

ATTACHMENTS/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

Chili Cook Off Rules

Chili Cook Off Registration draft

Community Market draft

Logo: from Mild to Wild, it's all happening in Shady Shores

Other Events to Consider:

REVIEWED BY:



Event Foundation

- ✓ Define event name, date, time, and location
- Identify target audience (residents, families, vendors, etc.)
- Set goals (attendance, engagement, participation, awareness)
- ✓ Determine key messaging (what you want people to know/feel/do)

2. Branding & Messaging

- ✓ Create event tagline/slogan : Taste • Shop • Connect
- ✓ Develop short event description (1–2 versions: long + short)
- ✓ Establish visual theme (colors, logos, graphics)
- Prepare FAQ talking points (parking, cost, what to bring, etc.)
 - Parking-/ Traffic Control

3. Communication Channels

- ✓ Website event page update : <https://www.shady-shores.com/1172/Community-Market-and-Chili-Cook-Off>
- ✓ Facebook event creation
- Facebook posts + shareable graphics
- Instagram posts/stories (if applicable)
- CivicSend / email blast
- 311 push notifications (if used locally)
- Town newsletter / “Mayor’s Musings”
- Community bulletin boards / flyers



- ✓ QR code linking to registration or event page

4. Content Creation

- Event announcement post
- Reminder posts (30 days, 2 weeks, 1 week, 3 days, day-of)
- Vendor/participant spotlights (if applicable)
- “What to expect” post
- Parking/logistics post
- Weather update plan template
- Final “happening today” post

5. Timeline Planning

- 4–6 weeks out: launch announcement
- 3–4 weeks out: registration push / awareness campaign
- 2 weeks out: reminders + highlights
- 1 week out: heavy promotion begins
- 3 days out: final details push
- Day-of: live reminders + engagement posts
- Post-event: recap + thank you post

6. Engagement Strategy

- Encourage shares and tagging neighbors
- Create “invite your friends” call-to-action

- Run simple engagement posts (polls, “what are you hoping to find?”)
- Highlight community involvement and volunteer needs

7. Visual Assets

- ✓ Event flyer (print + digital)
- ✓ Social media square graphics
- ✓ Story templates
- Map of locations (if multi-site event)
- ✓ QR code graphics
- ✓ _____


8. Tracking & Reporting

- Track Facebook event RSVPs
- Monitor post engagement (likes, shares, comments)
- Website clicks/traffic
- ✓ Registration/vendor sign-ups
- Attendance estimates (if applicable)

9. Post-Event Wrap-Up

- Thank you social media post
- Community appreciation message
- Photo recap album
- Results summary (attendance, success highlights)
- Internal notes for improvements next year


General Event Post

Get ready to bring the heat, Shady Shores! 

Join us for our Community Chili Cook-Off—where neighbors become chefs and friendly competition turns up the flavor!

 Date: [Insert Date]

 Location: [Insert Location]

 Time: [Insert Time]

Think your chili has what it takes? Enter to compete or just come taste and vote for your favorite!

Good food, great people, and a little spice—because in Shady Shores, life happens here.

Call for Competitors

Do you have an award-winning chili recipe?  

We’re looking for contestants for our upcoming Chili Cook-Off!

Whether you’re a seasoned pro or just love to cook, we want YOU to join the fun.

- ✓ Free to enter
- ✓ Bragging rights (and prizes!)
- ✓ Community fun

Spots are limited—sign up today! [Insert link or contact info]

Volunteer Call

It takes a village—and a lot of chili!

We're looking for volunteers to help make our Chili Cook-Off a success.

From setup to tasting tables, there's a role for everyone.

Interested? Comment below or message us to get involved. Let's build community together!

Family-Friendly Reminder

Bring the whole family out for a day of fun, food, and community! 

Our Chili Cook-Off isn't just about competition—it's about connection.

Enjoy:

- Chili tastings
- Community gathering
- Fun for all ages

Come hungry and ready to vote for your favorite!

Last Call Reminder

Last chance to join the Chili Cook-Off fun!  

Sign-ups for competitors are closing soon, and you don't want to miss it.

Mark your calendar, invite your friends, and come be part of something special in Shady Shores.

2–3 Weeks Out: Save the Date

Something's heating up in Shady Shores...  



Mark your calendars for our Chili Cook-Off + Community Market!


Great chili, local vendors, and a whole lot of community spirit.

Whether you're cooking, shopping, or just coming for the fun—this is one you won't want to miss.

Stay tuned for details... 

2 Weeks Out: Competitors + Vendors Call

Think your chili is the best in town?  

Or have goods to share at our Community Market? 

We're now accepting:

- ✓ Chili Cook-Off contestants
- ✓ Market vendors

Spots are limited—sign up today!

[Insert info/link]

10–12 Days Out: Volunteer Push

It takes a community to make an event like this happen 

We're looking for volunteers to help with our Chili Cook-Off + Community Market.


From setup to vendor support, there's a place for everyone.

Comment or message us to get involved!

1 Week Out: Hype Post

One week away... and it's going to be a good one  

Chili tasting + local shopping + great neighbors = a perfect day in Shady Shores.


Tell us—are you coming for the chili, the market, or both? 

5 Days Out: Engagement Post

We've got two important questions:

 What makes the *perfect* chili?

 What's your favorite thing to find at a community market?




Drop your answers below 


 3 Days Out: Community Focus

Food, shopping, and connection—all in one place 

Join us for a day filled with chili tastings, local vendors, and time spent with neighbors and friends.
Shady Shores—Life Happens Here.

 2 Days Out: Reminder

The countdown is ON!   

Make plans to come hungry, shop local, and enjoy the day at our Chili Cook-Off + Community Market.
Tag who you're bringing 

 1 Day Out: Final Push

Tomorrow's the day!   

Chili is simmering, vendors are getting ready, and we can't wait to see everyone out.
Bring your appetite, your friends, and your love for community!



DATE:	June 18, 2026
TO:	Keep Shady Shores Beautiful
FROM:	Katie Klein, Administrative
SUBJECT:	Shady Shores Community Habitat Project — Community Pollinator NWF Habitats

BACKGROUND/INFORMATION:

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION DESIRED:

Review memo

ATTACHMENTS/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

1. KSSB NWF Comm Habitat Prog Agenda Memorandum (3)

REVIEWED BY:





DATE:	June 8, 2026
TO:	Keep Shady Shores Beautiful
FROM:	Katie Klein, Administrative
SUBJECT:	Shady Shores Community Habitat Project — Community Pollinator NWF Habitats https://communitywildlifehabitat.nwf.org/

BACKGROUND/INFORMATION:

Orange items- optional tasks that can be chosen to complete

Red items- tasks towards completion, in progress

Pending: items submitted, awaiting NWF approval.

Certified Wildlife Habitats 12 (10 Private/1 Community/1 Public as of 4.15.2026)- Completed initial goal
Certification Points

COMPLETE Registration Goals 65 out of 40

- Press Release about registration 5 Pending
- Plan and organize kick-off celebration 10 Pending
- Complete Community Assessment 5 Completed. Upload to the website.
- Meet w/another Community Wildlife Habitat 5 Completed- City of Denton
- At least one team member, Master Naturalist, Gardener, or similar 20 Completed
- Meet with NWF's state affiliate 5 Completed
- Name your NWF Community Wildlife Project 5 Completed
- Create a plan for keeping all Habitat Team members in communication. 5 Completed
- Create your community description 5 Completed
- Identify your team leader and team members 5 Completed

- Obtain a letter of support from the community gov. official 5 Completed

Education Goals 30 out of 40

- Create a demonstration garden at a public site with educational signs. 10 Completed, Town Hall
- Hold a garden tour that features CWH 10 Pending- tour on April 25
- Create NWF certified wildlife project brochure 5 pending, submitted
- Create and distribute a native plant list for your community 5
- Create a demonstration garden.... A Place for Peace Garden., Life Grows Here 10
- Create a demonstration garden.... Jones Street.....10
- Create a website or web page about the project 10 completed
- <https://shady-shores.com/1167/Shady-Shores-Community-Habitat-Project>
 - Create QR code and Tiny URL
- Create and maintain a Facebook page, group or other social media site 10 completed
- Hold a garden tour at 10 A Place for Peace Garden, Dedication Day
- Host a workshop to educate community members about wildlife gardening 5
- Launch a campaign to educate the community about an iconic plant or animal species for your community....10 Have you seen Bob and Doris
- Write a regular column in your community newsletter about your project 10

Community Outreach Goals 15 out of 50

- Each team member who serves on a community board has completed 15
- Coordinate a stream clean up, tree planting, invasive removal etc event 10 pending. April 25 and May 16
- Improve the community’s weed ordinance or other public policies to make them more wildlife-friendly 10 pending submissions to the Bee City USA Pest Management Process
- Provide garden for wildlife information at a booth at a community event....5.... April 25

Administration Category 10 out of 20 Required

- Donate 5 wildlife photos to NWF 5 completed,
- Identify the individuals that will make up the post certification team. 5 completed
- Grant Application submitted 10
- Participating in an NWF network-wide call 5
- Per new volunteer 3
- Per partner organization affiliated with project 3, contact LCMUA re Jones and re Wilding

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION DESIRED:

Define the tasks needed to meet the affiliate requirements

ATTACHMENTS/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

None

REVIEWED BY:



DATE:	June 18, 2026
TO:	Keep Shady Shores Beautiful
FROM:	Katie Klein, Administrative
SUBJECT:	Tree City Affiliate

BACKGROUND/INFORMATION:

Tree City USA affiliation recognizes a community's commitment to effective urban forest management and the preservation of its tree resources. The program encourages communities to establish standards for tree care, promote public awareness of the environmental and economic benefits of trees, and invest in the long-term health of the community's urban forest. Participation demonstrates the town's dedication to environmental stewardship, community beautification, and sustainable growth while providing opportunities for education, recognition, and access to forestry resources.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION DESIRED:

Determine 2026 Affiliate Requirements Goals

ATTACHMENTS/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

1. KSSB 2026 Tree City Agenda Memo

<u>REVIEWED BY:</u>



DATE:	Last Updated 5.4.2026
TO:	Keep Shady Shores Beautiful
FROM:	Katie Klein, Administrative
SUBJECT:	Tree City Affiliate

BACKGROUND/INFORMATION:

Tree City Annual Report Approved
 Tree City Growth Award Approved 6 years

KSSB Committee Tasks:
 Committee members submit monthly hours for recording
 Tree Tagging — working with Eric from Roots to tag Town Hall Trees
 Tree Maintenance Tracking — working with Eric to set up a simple tracking system for Town Hall Trees

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION DESIRED:

Determine 2026 Affiliate Requirements Goals

ATTACHMENTS/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

None

<u>REVIEWED BY:</u>



DATE:	June 18, 2026
TO:	Keep Shady Shores Beautiful
FROM:	Katie Klein, Administrative
SUBJECT:	Keep Texas Beautiful Affiliate Requirements

BACKGROUND/INFORMATION:

Keep Texas Beautiful affiliation supports the town's commitment to community beautification, environmental stewardship, litter prevention, waste reduction, and public engagement. Through affiliation, the town participates in a statewide network dedicated to improving the quality of life for residents through volunteerism, education, and community improvement initiatives. The program provides guidance, resources, and recognition opportunities that help advance local efforts to maintain a clean, attractive, and sustainable community while fostering civic pride and environmental responsibility.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION DESIRED:

Consider and act on 2026 Affiliate Recognition requirements

ATTACHMENTS/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

1. 2026 Recognition Flyer

<u>REVIEWED BY:</u>



KTB affiliates will receive Good, Silver Star or Gold Star standing for recognition on an annual basis (the KTB reporting period runs on the calendar year). **Grant and funding opportunities offered by KTB require a minimum of Good Standing.**

Important Note: This year each affiliate community will be required to host a cleanup to be in Good Standing for 2026, please review the requirement update carefully.

ENDORSED TRAININGS INCLUDE: Virtual or in-person training from KTB conference sessions, KTB regional training, KTB webinars and/or other outside sources such as KAB seminars/webinars, STAR webinars/conference, COG/TCEQ/TPWD trainings, Master Gardener seminar, or other organizations that are mission aligned. If you need clarification on if a training is endorsed, please contact us.

ENDORSED CLEANUPS INCLUDE: Cleanup events include but are not limited to: Great American Cleanup, Keep Texas Waterways Clean, KTB Fall Sweep, Don't Mess With Texas Trash-Off, Adopt-a-Spot/Creek/Street etc.

ENDORSED ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

Hosting a collection/recycling/planting event: America Recycles Day, Texas Recycles Day, E-Waste Collection, Arbor Day, Household Hazardous Waste Collection, Pharmaceutical Take Back
Educational outreach: Educational booth at an event or business, presenting to a school or organization, hosting a virtual learning event such as a webinar or workshop, leading a lesson to youth
Litter Survey or Index: Windshield survey, litter evaluation survey

GOOD STANDING (minimum requirements): Achieve official affiliate status by 1/1/2025, all affiliates who became official after this date do NOT need to complete Affiliate Recognition.

- Pay \$200.00 annual dues **no later than February 2026** (QuickBooks invoices will be emailed to coordinators in January 2026)
- Complete and submit the KTB Annual Report online **no later than February 2026**
- Must complete **ALL** of the following options:
 - Host an endorsed clean-up in your community
 - Attend 4 hours total of approved training in 2025
 - One additional endorsed activity

SILVER STAR recognition:

- All requirements for Good Standing met
- Must complete **ONE** of the following options:
 1. Complete one of the three Star online questions through the Annual Report
 - Categories: **Youth Engagement, Evaluating Your Impact, Recycling Programming**
 2. Attended 6 hours total of approved training in 2025
 3. Have submitted cleanup data to the Texas Litter Database in 2025
 4. Additional (4 total) endorsed activities or cleanups

GOLD STAR recognition:

- All requirements for Good Standing AND Silver Star met
- Letter of Support: Provide a letter from an elected official, civic group, business, or youth group that describes the value of your affiliate to the community. **The letter must be dated between 1/1/2026 and 2/20/2026** and be written on letterhead. This letter will need to be a pdf or scanned and uploaded to the recognition survey.
- Must complete **ONE** of the following options:
 1. Complete an additional of the three Star online questions through the Annual Report (two total categories)
 - Categories: **Youth Engagement, Evaluating Your Impact, Recycling Programming**
 2. Participate in KTB Affiliate Mentorship Program as an Affiliate Mentor
 3. Attended 12 hours total of approved training in 2025
 4. Keep America Beautiful affiliate in Good Standing
 5. Additional (6+ total) endorsed activities or cleanups

Recognition collateral materials, annual dues and report must be submitted online by **February 2026**.

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DATE:	June 18, 2026
TO:	Keep Shady Shores Beautiful
FROM:	Katie Klein, Administrative
SUBJECT:	Shady Lane Parklet

BACKGROUND/INFORMATION:

The Place for Peace Meditation Garden provides a dedicated space where residents and visitors can reflect, relax, and connect with nature. The garden serves as a community asset that promotes mental well-being, environmental appreciation, and a sense of place within the town. Through thoughtful landscaping, natural elements, and opportunities for quiet contemplation, the garden enhances community beautification efforts while demonstrating the value of green spaces in improving quality of life. It also serves as an educational and demonstration project, showcasing sustainable landscaping practices and the positive impact of preserving natural areas for future generations.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION DESIRED:

ATTACHMENTS/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

1. KSSB A Place for Peace Meditation Garden on Shady Lane

<u>REVIEWED BY:</u>



DATE: February 19, 2026	Last Updated April 29, 2026
TO:	Keep Shady Shores Beautiful
FROM:	Katie Klein, Administrative
SUBJECT:	A Place for Peace Meditation Garden, Shady Lane

BACKGROUND/INFORMATION:

<https://www.shady-shores.com/1168/A-Place-for-Peace-Meditation-Garden>

April 2026- Town ordinance

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

- _Hole in foundation- clear out debris, fill with pea gravel
- Fill in the open holes around pipes
- Add 36 in railing around the corner (West side of foundation)
- Place a large rock near the hole at cistern
- Place pea gravel/crushed granite in the bottom area of the chimney

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION DESIRED:

ATTACHMENTS/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

None

<u>REVIEWED BY:</u>