



# Quarterly Newsletter

## Let's celebrate Earth Day at home

While we are all staying home, it is the perfect time to celebrate Earth Day! There are so many ways to celebrate Earth Day on April 22 using items around your house or online. Check out these few ways to celebrate below.

### Visit the Take Care of Texas Website

Take Care of Texas is a campaign by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality that promotes environmental responsibility by Texans. The Take Care of Texas website at [takecareoftexas.org](http://takecareoftexas.org) is full of fun information on how to lessen your negative impact on the environment. Here are a few fun things you can find on their website!

[Calculate your impact on the environment.](#) Enter your birth year and check out the statistics on how much you have impacted our environment as well as a few ways to lessen that impact.

[Tour the animated house.](#) Click links on the animated house and see how you can help conserve water, energy and other resources inside and outside of the home.

[Play some games!](#) Check out the many fun games on the website that teach kids how to do their part with the Take Care of Texas mascot Sky.

### Enter the Don't Mess with Texas Art Contest

Now is the perfect time to spend some time drawing! Don't Mess with Texas hosts an art contest each year for kids grades K through 12. The winning art pieces from each grade level are featured in their annual calendar. Full art contact details can be found on the [Don't Mess with Texas webpage](#).

### Sign up for paperless billing

Tired of getting so much mail? Help lessen your impact and the clutter around the house and switch to paperless billing for some of your bills. Go through your recent paper bills and see which businesses offer paperless billing. Share this idea with a friend or family member to continue making an impact!

These are just a few of the hundreds of ways you could celebrate Earth Day at home. Check out the [Keep Tyler Beautiful website](#) for more ways to celebrate Earth Day throughout the month.

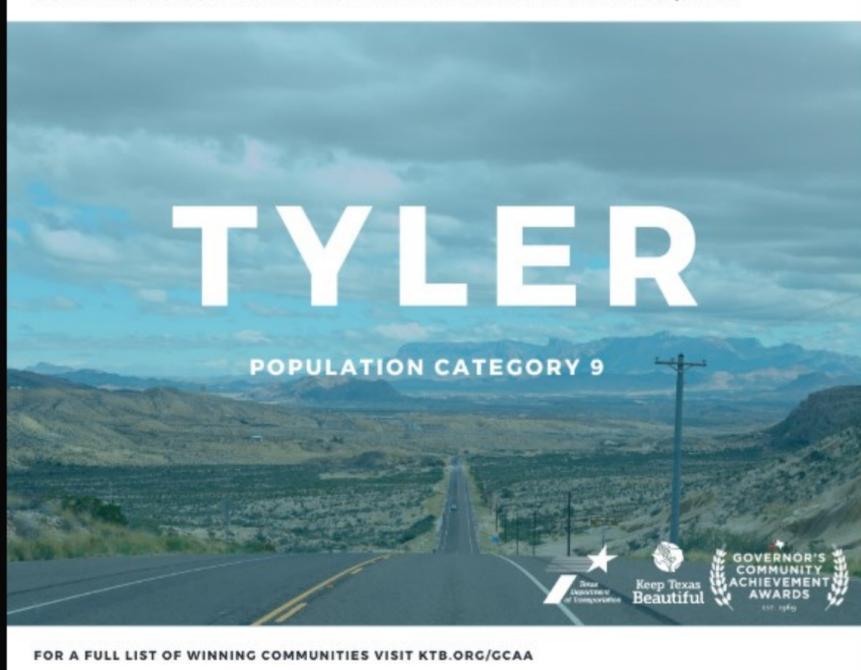


### Did you know?

Keep Tyler Beautiful was started in April in 1995. Over the past 25 years, the Keep Tyler Beautiful Board has worked hard to grow the program and make Tyler a more beautiful city.

## Tyler Receives Prestigious Governor's Community Achievement Award

GOVERNOR'S COMMUNITY ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINNERS | 2020



Keep Texas Beautiful (KTB) has recognized Tyler as one of ten winners of the 2020 Governor's Community Achievement Awards (GCAA) for outstanding community improvement. KTB, in partnership with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), has awarded the GCAA to Texas communities for more than 50 years. This year, the ten winning communities will share \$2 million in landscape funding from TxDOT; Tyler will receive \$290,000 for a landscaping project.

The Keep Tyler Beautiful Board, a KTB affiliate, is the driving force behind the Tyler's environmental and beautification programs. Keep Tyler Beautiful will accept this award at the GCAA Gala on Tuesday, Sept. 29 in Houston during KTB's Annual Conference.

The award is one of the most coveted annual environmental and community improvement honors in Texas. A community's environmental program is judged by a group of diverse, multi-sector judges on achievements in seven environmental and community improvement areas: public awareness and outreach, environmental education, beautification and community improvement, litter prevention and cleanup, solid waste management, litter law and illegal dumping enforcement.

## New boxes added to Beauty and the Box program



Check out the four new boxes that were wrapped! And be on the lookout for a few more coming soon. Thank you to the sponsors of these boxes: Ogle Construction, CMC Neptune and Oak Hills Med Spa.