



THE STATE OF WINDCREST 2014-2015

WHY WE LIVE IN WINDCREST

Description	Windcrest	Kirby	Converse	Leon Valley
City Debt	No Debt	\$2,210,000	\$7,999,727	8,995,000
How much Property Taxes are Higher than Windcrest	N/A	114%	78%	71%
How much Solid Waste (Garbage) fees are Higher than Windcrest	N/A	58%	66%	21%

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HOURS A DAY
911

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Dear Windcrest Friends and Neighbors:

We are pleased to present to you the Fiscal Year 2014-15; which is October 1, 2014 – September 30, 2015; Annual Budget and Plan of Municipal Services. The City of Windcrest's Annual Budget and Plan of Municipal Services is the comprehensive budget and plan for municipal services for the coming year. This document continues the direction as established by our citizens and the City Council to meet the existing challenges and effectively plan for future needs. The Council voted 5-0 and passed this budget.

BUDGET OVERVIEW

The Fiscal Year 2014-15 Adopted Annual Budget and Plan of Municipal Services is an operational and financial plan for the programs and services provided by the City during the coming year. The proposed \$8.9 million budget includes funding for all services; including Sanitation, WCCPD, and EDC as well as Capital Improvements. The Fiscal Year 2014-15 Adopted Annual Budget and Plan for Municipal Services is approximately 8% lower than the 2013-14 budget.

There are many capital improvements budgeted; such as, the continuation of upgrades to various parks, and improvements to the streets within the City of Windcrest.

GENERAL FUND

The primary operating fund of the City of Windcrest is called the General Fund. The majority of revenues collected to operate this fund are derived from various taxes. This fund is used to account for all financial resources not restricted to special or specific projects. As a general rule, in all funds, we budget revenues and expenditures conservatively to enhance sound financial management. To do otherwise could impair the City's ability to continue providing services to the citizens. In Fiscal Year 2014-15, the General Fund budget projects revenues to reach \$6,243,631. Significant revenues in the General Fund include revenues derived from property tax (ad valorem taxes), sales & use taxes, and franchise taxes. It should be noted that our sales tax revenue continues to grow each fiscal year. Other revenues that provide resources within the General Fund include fees and charges, and other miscellaneous revenues.

Fund balance is considered excess funds that the City Council has available for appropriation. The City Council has requested a very stringent fund balance policy that limits the expenditure of these funds.

Fund	Fund Balance
General Fund	\$ 2,239,417
EDC Fund	\$ 135,173
HOT Fund	\$ 62,800
WCCPD Fund	\$ 249,882
Streets Fund	\$ 3,061

The ad valorem tax rate (property tax rate) for fiscal year 2014-15 is budgeted with a **decrease of 18%** at \$.340900 of taxable assessed valuation.

CONCLUSION

The City of Windcrest is a growing community with ever increasing needs. The Fiscal Year 2014-15 Annual Adopted Budget and Plan of Municipal Services allocates resources to address priorities identified by the City Council during various Council workshops and addresses many of those needs. The budget continues the prudent fiscal and budgetary policies implemented in the past four years and provides services to the community through new and expanded programs. Each program addressed within the budget has been evaluated to ensure value to the community and enhancement to the quality of life for our citizens.

With the continued support of the City Council and the City Staff, the City of Windcrest's Interest and Sinking (property tax supported) debt was paid off in 2014. This does not include the EDC's funds from Texas Leverage Fund Program for a grand total of \$1,700,000. The EDC's repayment is from their portion of Sales Tax collected exclusively for Economic Development.

On behalf of the City Staff and myself, I want to thank the City Council for your leadership, hard work, efforts and confidence in what we do. Over the past four years, the City has progressively improved its financial condition while developing immediate and long-term priorities. The continued development of short-term and long-term goals is paramount to the future success of our community. Over the next fiscal year, this administration along with City Staff looks forward to working with you in making decisions and developing plans that will positively impact our community.

Finally, we acknowledge the tremendous contributions and teamwork of all City staff in preparing the Fiscal Year 2014-15 Adopted Annual Budget and Plan of Municipal Services. The management team worked together to assist in achieving the goals set by Council. Each department worked to find savings in their operating budgets, and to make suggestions for program improvements.

Thank you for all that contributed to this article and the budget.

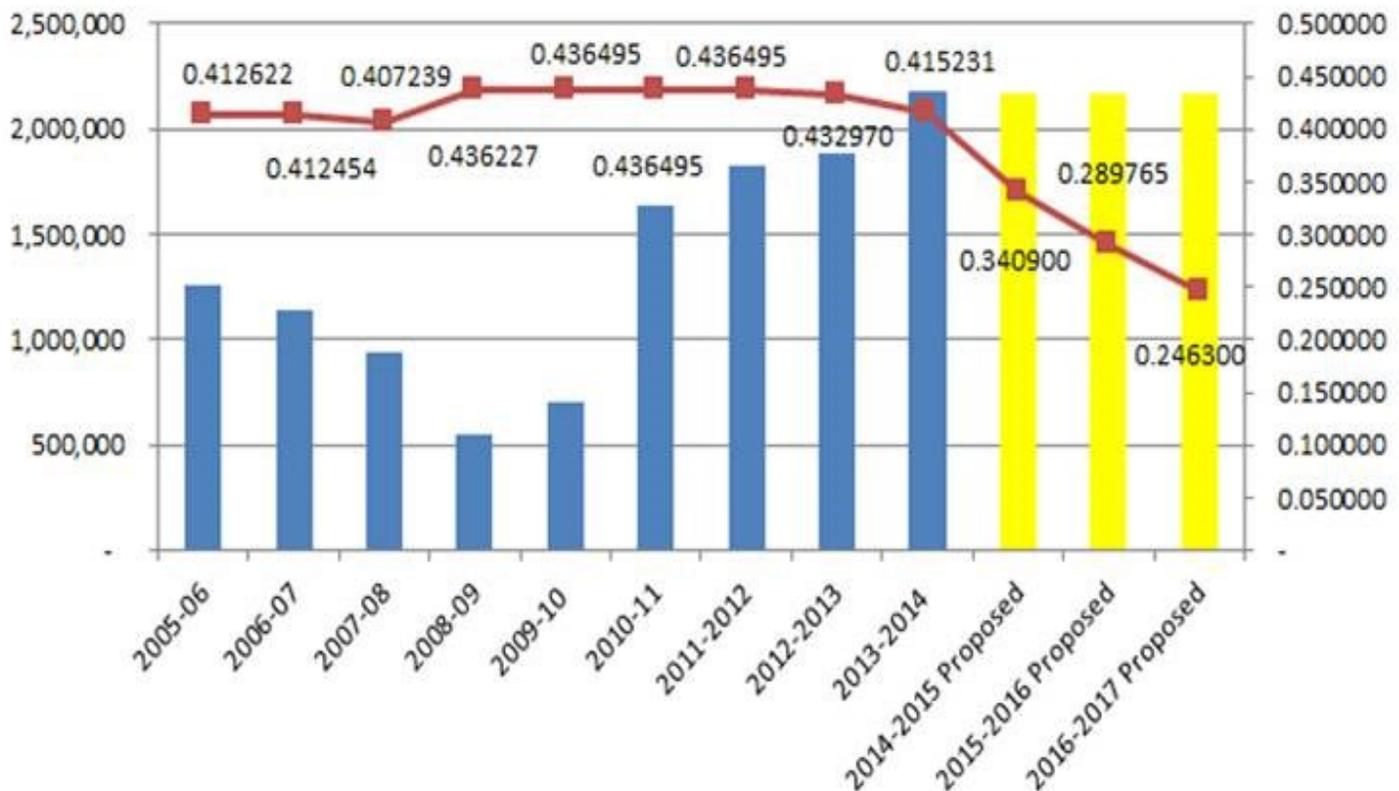
Your Mayor and humble servant,

Alan E. Baxter

For the 2014-2015 fiscal year, the City of Windcrest *reduced property taxes by 18 percent*. In the last *three years*, the current administration has *reduced property taxes 23 percent*. With this downward trend, the city is on track to have **ZERO** property taxes.

The city of Windcrest is now *debt-free* and maintains a \$2 million rainy day fund, which the current administration has *increased by more than 300 percent since 2009-2010*.

Even with the growth in revenue, the citizens of Windcrest have not seen an increase in city-related fees or property taxes in the last three years, only reductions. Garbage fees have been reduced by 25 percent in the last two years and Windcrest citizens enjoy zero notary fees and \$5 residential permit fees.



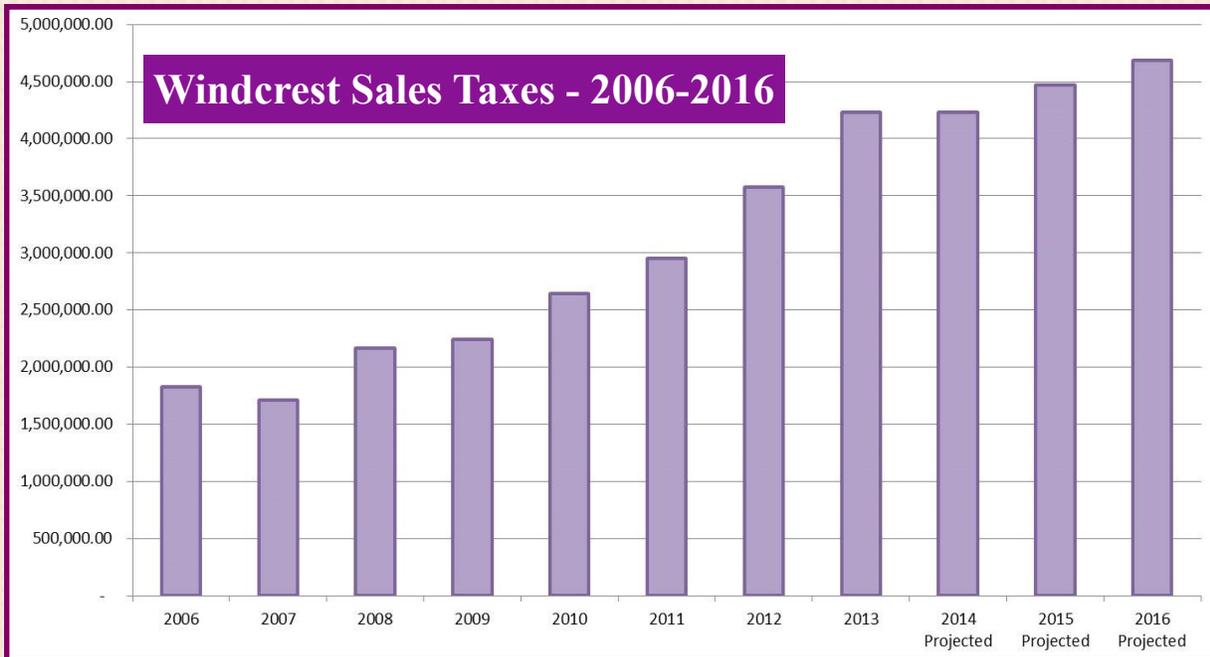
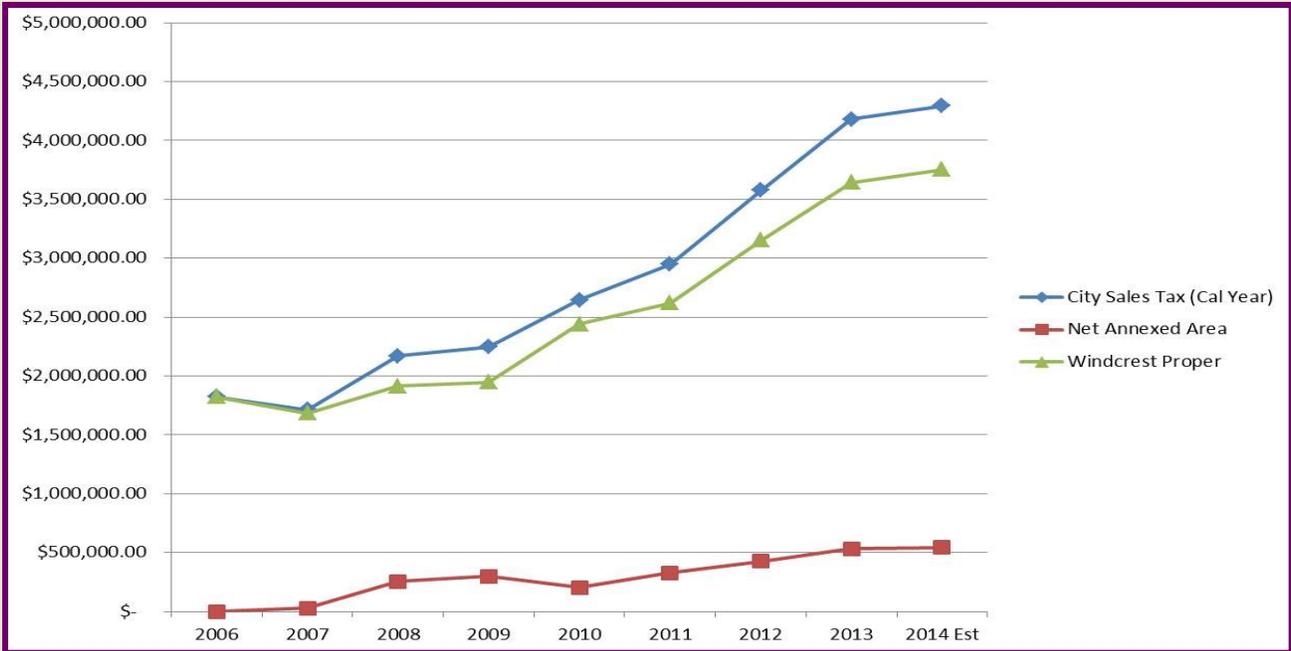
YEAR	Property Tax Rate
2005-06	0.412622
2006-07	0.412454
2007-08	0.407239
2008-09	0.436227
2009-10	0.436495
2010-11	0.436495
2011-12	0.436495
2012-13	0.432970
2013-14	0.415231
2014-15 (projected)	0.340900
2015-16 (projected)	0.289765
2016-17 (projected)	0.246300

Taxes were *reduced* by 18% for the 2014-2015 fiscal year



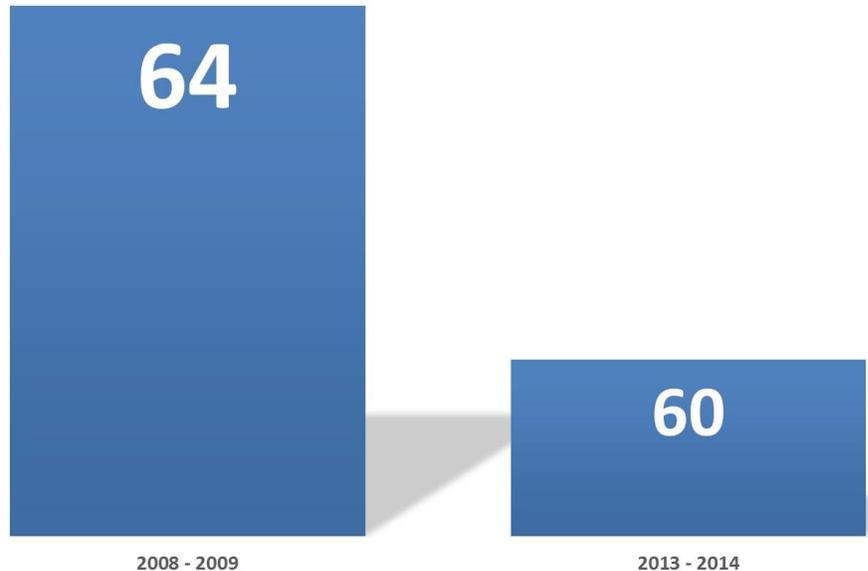
WINDCREST FINANCES

Year	City Sales Tax (Cal Year)	Net Annexed Area	Windcrest Proper	Change Windcrest Proper
2006	\$ 1,824,525.00	\$ -	\$ 1,824,525.00	
2007	\$ 1,713,344.02	\$ 30,173.97	\$ 1,683,170.05	\$ (141,354.95)
2008	\$ 2,170,380.08	\$ 254,679.57	\$ 1,915,700.52	\$ 232,530.47
2009	\$ 2,245,845.77	\$ 300,116.96	\$ 1,945,728.82	\$ 30,028.30
2010	\$ 2,645,189.44	\$ 205,019.61	\$ 2,440,169.84	\$ 494,441.02
2011	\$ 2,949,782.48	\$ 328,242.39	\$ 2,621,540.09	\$ 181,370.26
2012	\$ 3,578,681.32	\$ 425,486.14	\$ 3,153,195.19	\$ 531,655.10
2013	\$ 4,179,249.00	\$ 534,379.00	\$ 3,644,870.00	\$ 491,674.82
2014 Est	\$ 4,294,149.00	\$ 542,379.00	\$ 3,751,770.00	\$ 106,900.00



Revenue has **increased** by \$1,982,176 since 2009.

Windcrest Number of Employees

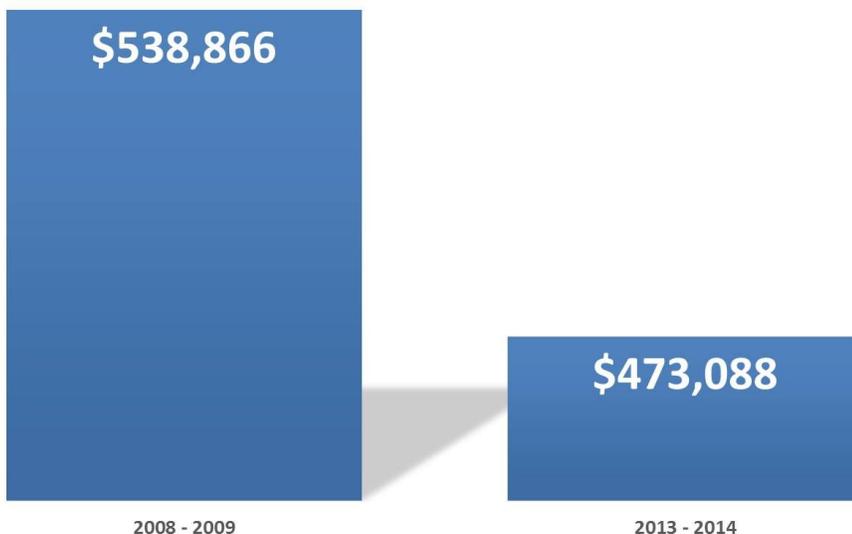


Reduced Total Staff

- Increased Revenue
- Lowered Taxes
- Added 6 Police Officers

Cost of Executive Staff

(City Manager, Directors, Chiefs)



Spent Less on our City Management Team

- \$65,788 less than in 2009
- Increased Sales Tax Revenue by \$1,982,177

The Windcrest Police Department serves and protects the City of Windcrest 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and 365 days a year!

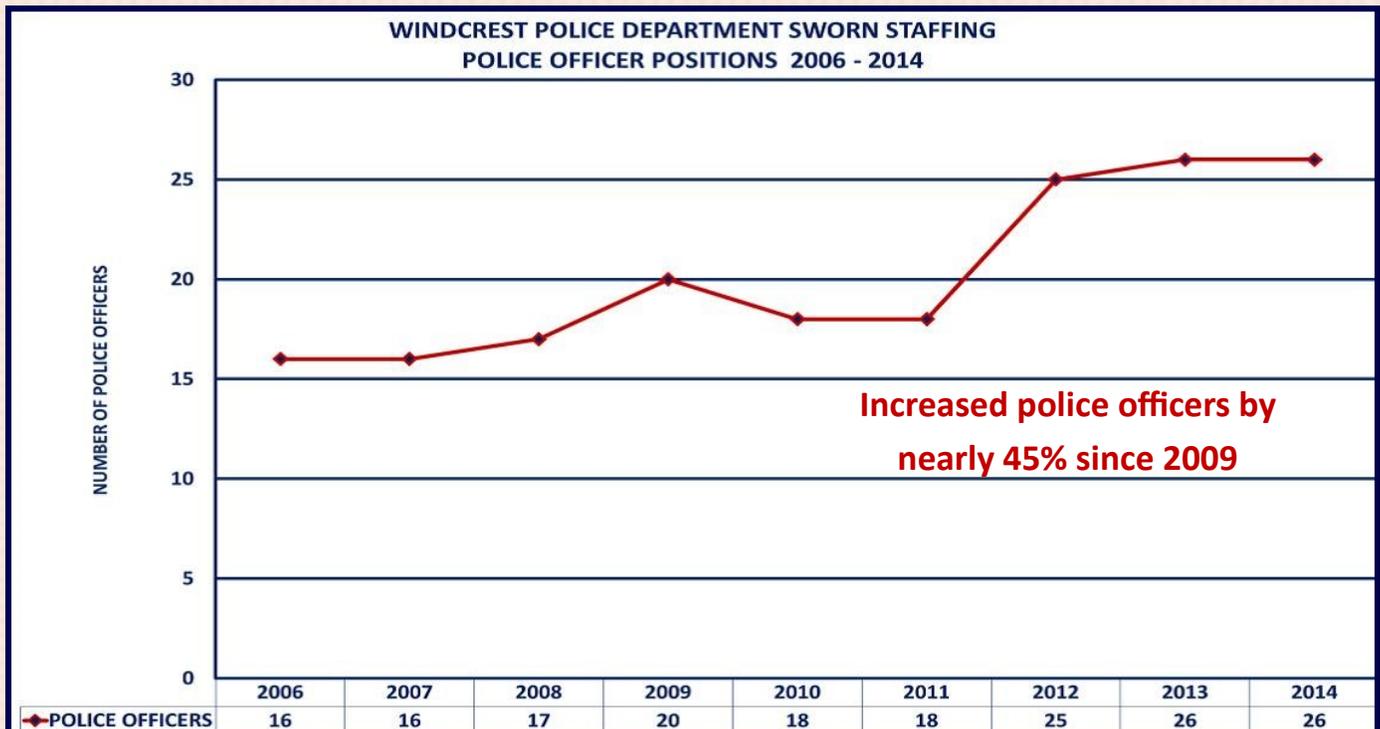
I am very proud to lead the Windcrest Police Department and its officers in providing unsurpassed service and protection to the citizens, visitors and businesses of Windcrest, Texas. As Police Officers, it is our responsibility to preserve the peace, protect life and property, and enforce federal, state and local laws.

The Windcrest Police Department prides itself on a low crime rate and quick response times. We are a proactive department committed to preventing crime versus responding to it! This philosophy is strengthened by community involvement and zero tolerance for criminal activity.

Through proactive crime prevention efforts, patrol saturation, education and increasing public awareness, we continue to work very hard to reduce crime in the Walzem Road community and ensure a fear-free environment.

- A.O. "Al" Ballew, Chief of Police

Windcrest Police Officers Per Capita - 4.7 per 1,000 population.
That's more than *double* the national standard of 2.3 to 1,000 population!

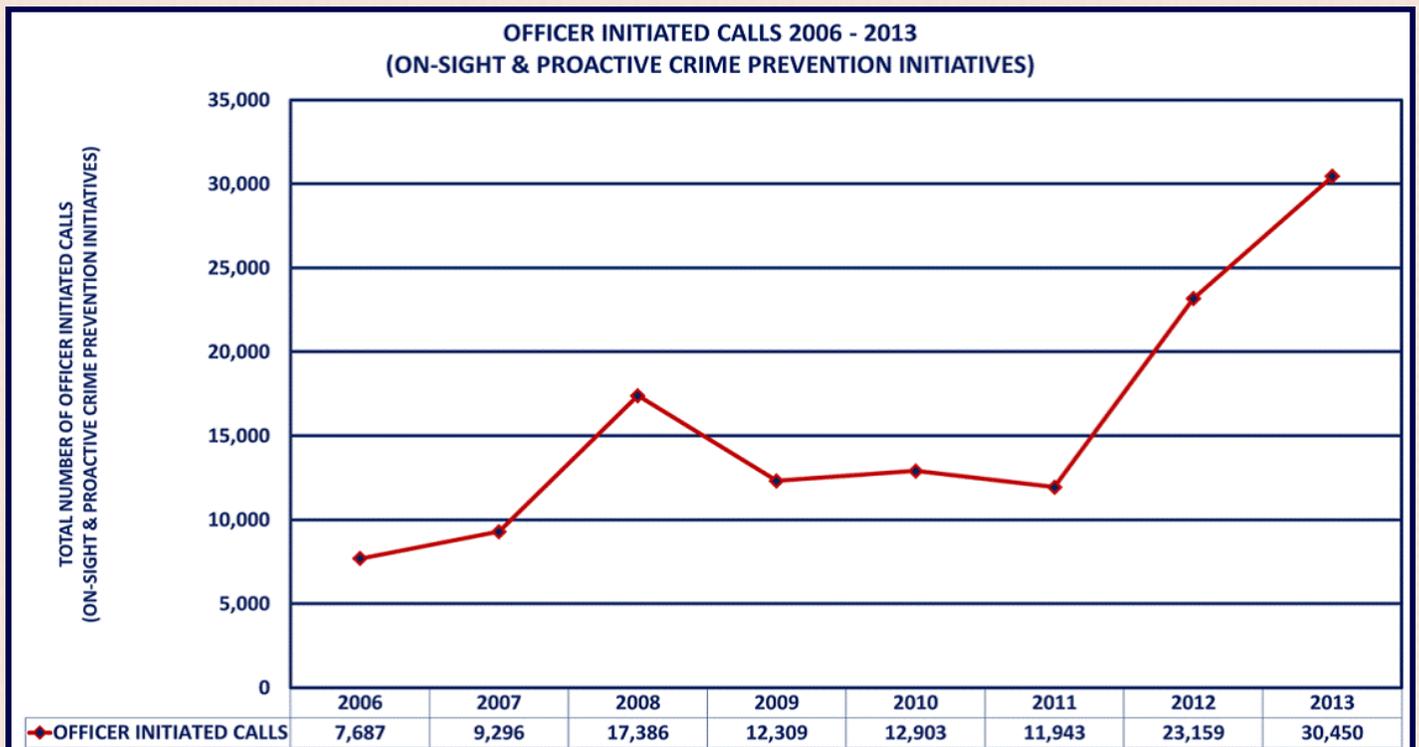


Windcrest Crime Control and Prevention District (WCCPD) FY 2013 through FY 2015 Funded Police Department Capital Improvements

- 12 New Chevrolet Tahoe Police Patrol Vehicles & Equipment
- New Chevrolet Police Truck Code-Patrol Vehicle & Equipment
- New Chevrolet Tahoe Police Warrant Vehicle & Equipment
- New Laptop Computers for all Police Vehicles
- New Tasers for All Police Officers
- New Ballistic Vests for All Police Officers
- New Patrol Rifles & Shotguns
- Digital Upgraded Mobile Radios for All Police Vehicles
- Digital Upgraded Handheld Radios for All Police Officers
- New Lidar Radar Units
- New Police Bikes for Enhanced Bike Patrol Unit
- New Ballistic Shields for Critical Incidents
- New Traffic Calming Measures - Radar Speed Signs
- New Video Units for All Police Vehicles
- New Electronic Ticket Writers for All Police Vehicles
- SWAT-Negotiations Equipment & Staffing Enhancements
- Increased Officer Staffing- 8 ADDITIONAL POLICE OFFICERS
- K-9 Unit Enhancements–Second K-9
- Traffic Calming Enhancements– Speed/Message Trailer
- Digital Upgraded Consoles for Communications
- Animal Care & Control Enhancements
- Citizens’ Patrol Enhancements–Vehicles and Graphics
- New Youth Program–Law Enforcement Explorers



Average Police Response Time - 1 minute 47 seconds



Community Oriented Response Unit - C.O.R.

- Officers working in plain clothes and undercover
- Officers working in plain vehicles
- Targeting problem areas
- Business and residential areas

Operation H.A.W.K.

- Saving lives through public awareness, education and enforcement.
- Multi-Agency
- Prevention of pedestrian accidents resulting in death and serious injury along Walzem Road.
- Enforcement of youth curfew violations during school hours.

Windcrest Citizens' Patrol

- Four team captains and 50+ volunteers
- Eyes and ears for the police department
- Report all suspicious activity

Crime Prevention and Safety Initiatives to Reduce Crime and Enhance Public Safety

Bike Patrol Unit

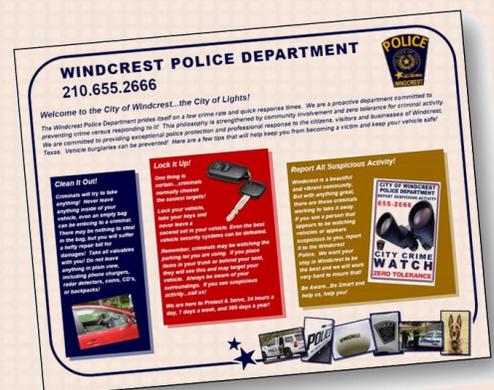
- Enhance staffing
- Targeting problem areas
- Parks and trail areas
- Business and residential areas

City Crime Watch Program

- Public awareness and crime prevention education for residents, visitors and businesses
- Reporting all suspicious activity
- Zero Tolerance

Crime Prevention Education

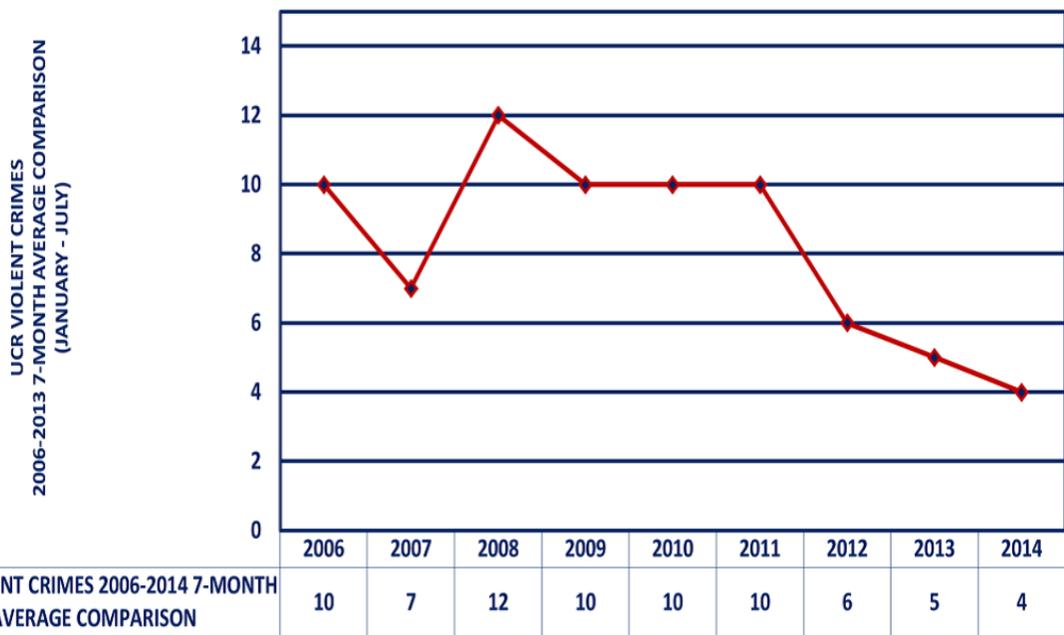
- Distributed information to hotels for crime prevention education to visitors



**UCR PROPERTY CRIMES 2006-2014 7-MONTH AVERAGE COMPARISON
(JANUARY - JULY)**



**UCR VIOLENT CRIMES 2006-2014 7-MONTH AVERAGE COMPARISON
(JANUARY - JULY)**



Under the current administration, in April 2011, the City of Windcrest began arresting people with outstanding warrants.

Today, the city holds four Warrant Roundups every year and markets each one to help gain exposure through the local media to notify the public.

Currently, there is one full-time Warrant Officer and the city plans to have additional officers working part time, with no overtime.

WARRANT STATISTICS

YEARS	Money Collected	People Affected
2010-2011	\$169,511.96	527
2011-2012	\$195,248.30	537
2012-2013	\$290,328.73	1,957
2013-July 2014	\$273,452.64	1,706

The Windcrest Municipal Court is located in the Administrative Office in City Hall. Court is in session three times per month, on Tuesdays at 4 p.m. To contact the municipal court please call (210) 655-0022 ext. 2250. For more information, please visit www.Windcrest-TX.com

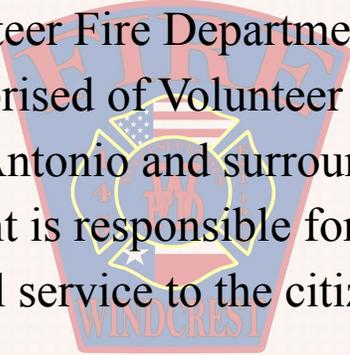
Having several Warrant Roundups throughout the year led to the creation of a Windcrest Municipal Court Most Wanted List. Flyers displaying the names and faces of the Most Wanted criminals were placed at City Hall to spread awareness and let it be known that the city does not tolerate criminals. The Most Wanted list was also featured on the digital billboard on I 35.



With the success of the Most Wanted list, the city discovered a need for a confidential tip line.

If you have any information about a person with a Windcrest warrant, please call:

(210) 653-5299



The Windcrest Volunteer Fire Department was established in 1970, and is comprised of Volunteer Firefighters from Windcrest, San Antonio and surrounding areas. The volunteer department is responsible for fire protection and emergency medical service to the citizens of Windcrest.

In an effort to upgrade or repair equipment, the City of Windcrest allocated an additional \$300,000 for the purchase of the following items this year.

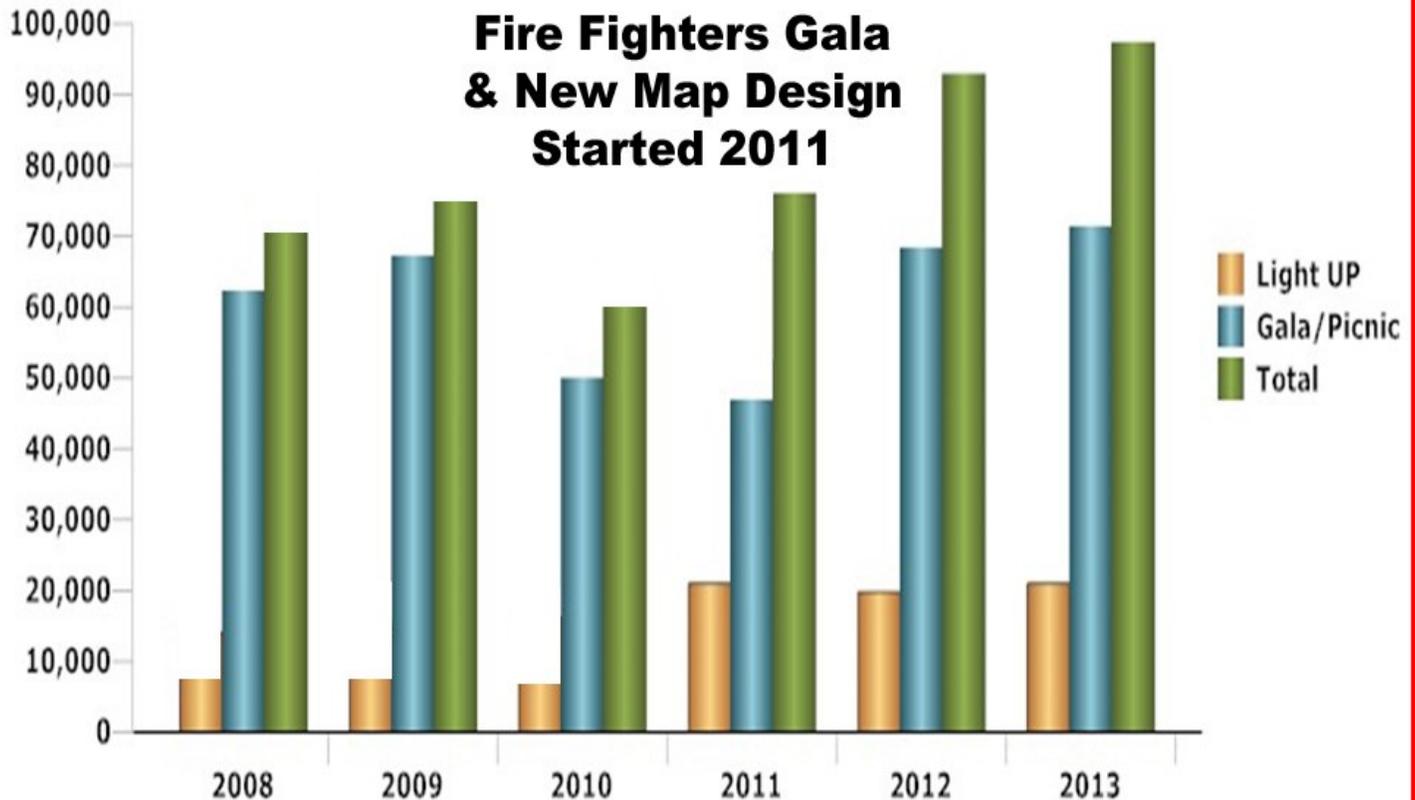
- \$170,000 for a new command unit with fire suppression capabilities
- \$5,380 for one Eclipse Thermal Imager Camera
- \$53,816 for 8 Scott SCBA X3 Airpacks
- \$2,225 for 1 QRAE 4 Gas Meter
- \$540 for 1 Piston Regulator (air bag regulator)
- \$52,500 for ladder repairs
- \$2,167.13 for 35 high-visibility traffic vests

For a total of \$286,628.13 in additional city funds.

The Windcrest Volunteer Fire Department received a grant from the Texas Forest Service to replace the current brush truck. They have opted to purchase a CAFS pump on this new brush truck. This will increase their efforts to improve their already great ISO score and save the City of Windcrest and its citizens money. It also greatly improves their ability to fight fires in a variety of scenarios and it keeps up the *Very High Standards* of Windcrest Public Safety.

The Windcrest VFD is a 501 c (4). Traditionally, donations have helped support this department. A few years ago, fundraising was on the decline and corporate support was dropping at alarming levels. Under this administration, the fundraising efforts and community/corporate involvement has increased. A new focus was made. This helps keep our taxes low and the equipment unmatched in the area.

Fire Department Fundraising



The Windcrest Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) is responsible for the economic growth and development of the city.

The WEDC Board of Directors oversee the WEDC budget, form policy and work diligently to bring new business to the city. In-N-Out Burger and Buffalo Wild Wings are two of the most current businesses coming to Windcrest.

The current WEDC Board of Directors came in four years ago and faced many major challenges including...

- Stabilizing the WEDC board and operations for the Corporation.
- Finding a solution to alleviate an \$18 million loan.
- Recovering the millions of dollars allegedly missing.
- Studying, understanding and re-negotiating a 600-page MEIA agreement that committed the WEDC and the city to more than \$12 million in obligations.
- Rebuilding the trust and a positive relationship with Rackspace and other Windcrest businesses.
- Completing the Racker Road project as promised.
- Retaining current business and attracting new business to Windcrest to grow the sales tax revenue. ←***A major obstacle to overcome***

In four years, the current WEDC Board of Directors have done the following to alleviate the major challenges:

- Worked with City Council to negotiate a solution on an \$18 million loan that was inherited. The team was successful in finding a solution and the WEDC was released from the loan with the purchase of the land (111 acres) by Stratford Properties.
- Has and is working with Texas Rangers, Bexar County District Attorney’s office and attorneys in any and all efforts to recover alleged missing funds.
- Obtained a \$1.6 million low interest loan from the Texas Leverage Fund (TLF). The WEDC has no other choice because of missing funds and a commitment to Rackspace. Today, the WEDC has paid \$931,412 of the \$1.6 million loan and saved well over \$220,000 in interest in just over three years.

WEDC

TLF Loan update

Action	End Date	Payment	Interest	Balance	Interest Savings
original	3/28/2011 -		-	1,600,000.00	
original	4/1/2026		424,406.00		
1st pay down year	2/1/2024		328,883.73		95,522.27
2nd pay down year	11/1/2021		246,310.98		178,095.02
2014 Pay Down Opt					
175k pay down	2/1/2020		203,591.35		220,814.65

In a just over three years, the WEDC has paid off more than 58 percent of the \$1.6 million loan.

The current balance is \$668,587.67 and the WEDC ‘s goal is to pay this off in two years.

NEW BUSINESS IN WINDCREST



COMING SOON



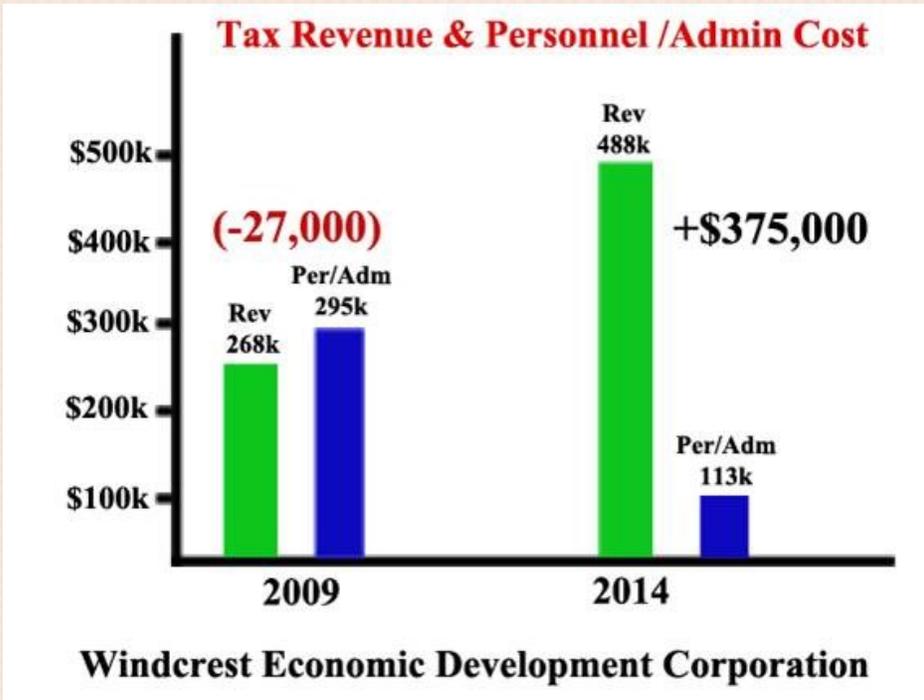
Storefront & Streetscape Improvement Program

The WEDC established a Storefront & Streetscape Improvement Program to enhance the appearance of our businesses. Our most recent example is Sand Dollar Pools who have been in the community for more than 20 years.



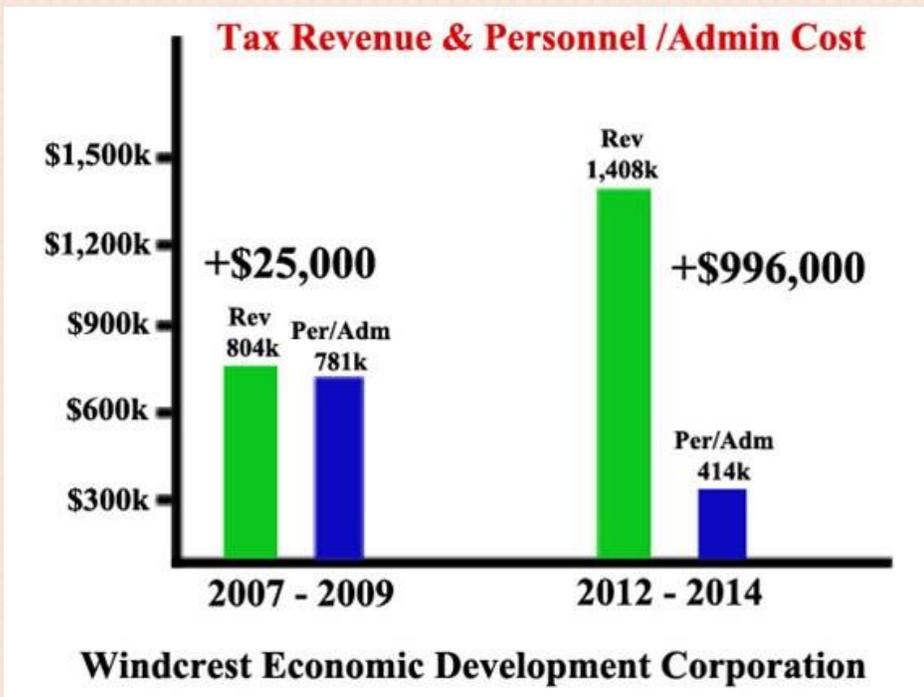
Another recipient is the Windcrest Cosmetic & General Dentistry. This business has been in Windcrest for 36 years (since 1978) and will now be investing \$1.4 million into their new location just down the street from their current office. Dr. Wright & Dr. De la Garza will now be at 8211 Rough Rider.





Sales Tax Revenue
 Up + 82% = \$220,000

Personnel & Admin Cost
 2009 – 110% of Tax Rev
 2014 – 23% of Tax Rev
 Difference is \$182,000



Sales Tax Revenue
 07-09 vs 12-14
 UP 75%

The difference between 2012 -14 & 2007 -09 was \$367,000 for Personnel & Administration

The Windcrest Public Works Department is responsible for maintaining the city's streets, parks and green spaces and municipal facilities. Additionally they department plays a crucial role in preparation and logistics for every city event.

Public Works replaced and updated several equipment this year.

Some of the items purchased are:

- New Ford F250 4 door truck
- New Grass Hopper Commercial Mower
- 2 New Commercial Grade Weed Eaters
- A New Commercial Wood Chipper (end of last year)
- 2 New John Deere Gator Vehicles



Not only does Public Works keep Windcrest looking beautiful, they set up, break down AND clean up after city events. They also have completed or are working on several projects that have had a huge impact in our city including:

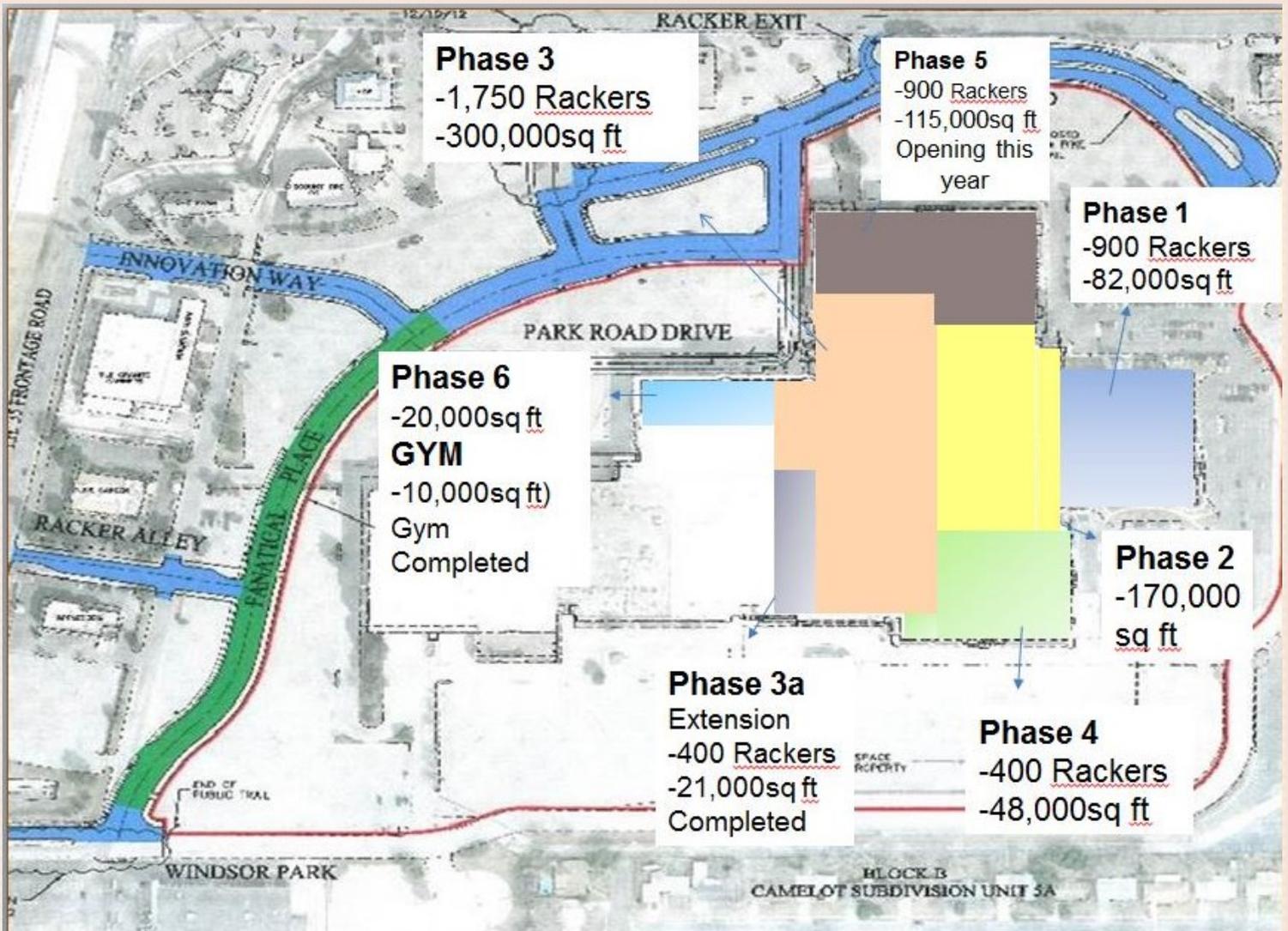
- Creating concrete pads for picnic tables and benches in the parks
- Installing new LED Solar powered stop signs
- Planting 66 new trees in various places around the city
- Repairing large water leak at the Civic Center
- Repairing holes along concrete spill ways
- Painting streets around Windcrest Elementary
- Painting area streets and sidewalks throughout the city
- Replacing many of our signs in disrepair





The relationship between the City of Windcrest and Rackspace is strong. Under this administration, Rackspace has completed or is in the construction phase of more than 688,000 sq. ft. Additionally, the company has grown more than 835 percent during this time and continues to adjust to this growth with increased personnel, development and amenities. Rackspace is also involved in many aspects of the Windcrest community. Whether they are donating to the Volunteer Fire Department, or volunteering their time during city events, they have proven time and again they are an admirable corporate citizen.

Currently, Rackspace has more than 5,000 employees worldwide and almost 4,000 here in Windcrest.



Rackspace has invested more than \$180 million into their International Headquarters here in Windcrest.

2011 Bond Windcrest ES Design Program Summary

1. Construct New 2-Story Elementary School Classroom Addition to Replace 10 Existing Portables (43,300 sq ft), including:

- a. 19 General Classrooms with 10 Shared Student Restrooms
- b. 1 Music Classroom with Music Office and Storage
- c. Library and Instructional Media Center with Adjacent Computer Lab
- d. Teacher Resource Support Areas
- e. Central Plant (Air-Cooled Chillers)
- f. Covered Drop-Off/Pick-Up Areas for Parent Loop and Bus Loop
- g. Achieve LEED Certification for New Classroom Addition

2. Existing Campus Renovation (8,450 sq ft):

- a. Renovate Existing Library and Admin Areas into a New Administrative Office Suite, Counseling Suite , and Clinic
- b. Provide Campus ALE Classroom Suite
- c. Provide New Campus Main Entry Lobby
- d. Aesthetically Improve the Front Entrance to the Campus

Program Summary

*Windcrest Elementary School
North East ISD*



Southwest View

Perspective Renderings

*Windcrest Elementary School
North East ISD*

Windcrest ES New Classroom Addition Perspective Rendering



Southeast View



New Main Entry

Perspective Renderings

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North East ISD*

**Windcrest Elementary School New Classroom Addition
Perspective Rendering**



Northwest View

Perspective Renderings

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North East ISD*

New Classroom Addition Building Elevations



West Elevation



East Elevation

Building Elevations

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New Classroom Addition Building Elevations



South Elevation



North Elevation

Building Elevations

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Windcrest ES Design & Construction Timeline



Project Schedule

*Windcrest Elementary School
North East ISD*

Windcrest residents enjoy a plethora of amenities year-round.

Our beautiful parks feature updated playground equipment, benches, gazebos and scenic walking trails. Citizens also have free access to tennis and pickle ball courts and the convenience of a 9-Hole Golf Course, Tennis Center and Community Swimming Pool located in the heart of our city for a small fee.

The city has made it a priority to continue maintaining and enhancing these areas for years to come. Here are a few recent highlights.

Takas Park Pond

Takas Park was acquired back in the 1970s, however Takas Park Pond is a recent renovation project for the park. With the already existing drainage area, the City Council and the Parks & Rec Commission enhanced the park and created a pond with landscaping, walkways, benches, trash receptacles and dog stations. There is plenty of shade and the pond is stocked with a variety of fish, even Largemouth Bass.



Takas Park Playground



The Takas Park Playground is another recent enhancement at Takas Park. There was a need to improve the playground surface area to ensure a safe environment for our city's youth so new mulch and equipment were installed.

Civic Center



The newly renovated Windcrest Civic Center is located at 9310 Jim Seal Drive. It is 6,675 square feet with two meeting areas that can accommodate 420 sitting continental style or 200 sitting at 6-foot folding tables.

A full kitchen is available, as well as an attached 1,400 square foot covered patio. The center is equipped with a state of the art sound system and a video screen to aid in video presentations or DVD movies.

Winnbrook Estates Park

This brand new park located in Winnbrook Estates has seen the completion of Phase 1 out of three phases. Phase 2 will commence within the next three months. This park was owed to this area by the developer. When past administrations neglected this issue, the current administration solved the problem by committing to build this park for the deserving homeowners. The land was transferred into the city's name. The Parks & Rec Commission and the Winnbrook Estates homeowners association worked together to add another treasured amenity to the city for residents to enjoy.



There are many family-friendly events throughout the year that residents can either attend or serve as a volunteer. Without the help and support from our volunteers, civic organizations and local businesses, our events would not be nearly as wonderful and fun as they are today.

Firefighter's Gala - Saturday, March 7, 2015

Every year the Windcrest Volunteer Fire Department organizes the Firefighter's Gala to raise funds to purchase firefighting, rescue and medical equipment and to also professionally train the volunteers. Open to all citizens, this ticketed event features a catered dinner, music and dancing, a raffle and a silent auction!



Firefighter's Picnic - Friday-Saturday, May 15-16, 2015



Another major fundraiser for the Windcrest Volunteer Fire Department is the Firefighter's Picnic. This event has been a tradition for 45 years! Free to the public, this two-day event features food, music, games and prizes and family-friendly FUN!

Fourth of July Parade & Celebration - Saturday, July 4, 2015

What better way to celebrate Independence Day than with good ole American favorites including hot dogs, ice cream and apple pie! Every year this celebration becomes bigger and better which is why it will take place at Takas Park for 2015! Open to all Windcrest residents and surrounding neighborhoods, this day is filled with patriotic fun the whole family to enjoy!



National Night Out - Tuesday, Oct. 7, 2014

The Windcrest Police Department hosts National Night Out at Takas Park every October. Open to all citizens, this event features free food and drinks and the opportunity to learn about crime prevention in Windcrest. Citizens can also see demonstrations from the K-9 Unit, display of police vehicles and equipment, and get to know the Windcrest Police officers. The Windcrest Police Department Citizens' Patrol, the Windcrest Animal Control Task Force, the Windcrest Fire Department and Windcrest CERT participate as well.



Trunk or Treat – Friday, Oct. 31, 2014



The annual Halloween Trunk or Treat event is hosted by the Windcrest Police Department and open to all Windcrest residents. This spooktacular evening is filled with candy, pumpkins, treats and a haunted fire bay! The Windcrest Police vehicles are filled with goodies and candy for all trick-or-treaters to offer a safe alternative to trick or treating. The Fire Department also participates and transforms the station into a haunted Windcrest Fire Bay!

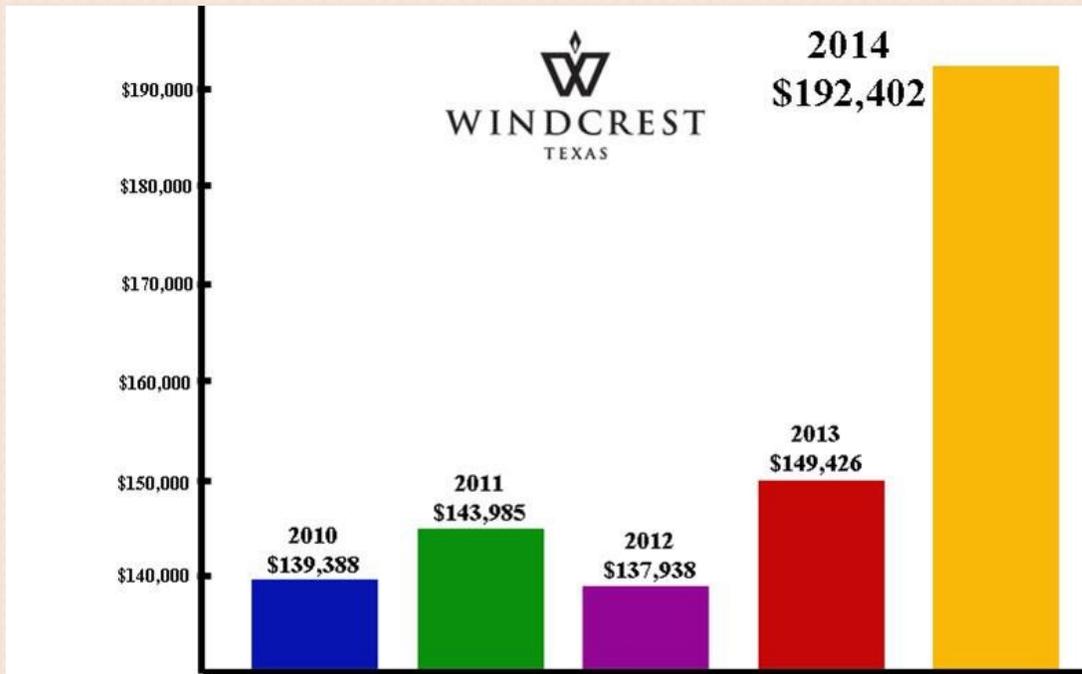
Light Up - Saturday, Dec. 13, 2014

The holiday season is the most wonderful time of the year in Windcrest, namely because of Light Up. Every year - for the last 55 years - the citizens of Windcrest deck out their homes in elaborate Christmas decorations complete with flashing lights, giant inflatables, elegant creations and extravagant designs. People from all areas of San Antonio have made it a family tradition to visit the "City of Lights" during the month of December. The official kick-off to the holiday season in Windcrest is the Light-Up celebration at City Hall. Join us on Saturday, Dec. 13 from 6 p.m.- 9p.m. for an evening in the Windcrest Winter Wonderland!



Why do we live in Windcrest?

Description	Windcrest	Kirby	Converse	Leon Valley
City Debt	No Debt	\$2,210,000	\$7,999,727	8,995,000
Rainy Day Fund	\$ 2,170,733	\$ 1,977,904	\$ 2,300,000	\$ 2,797,442
Rainy Day Fund by Population (per pop.)	\$ 387	\$239	\$113	\$259
City Taxes	0.340900	0.729376	0.606675	0.575507
How much more you would pay in property taxes compared to Windcrest - %	N/A	114%	78%	69%
Households	2,214	2,704	6,430	4,421
Multi-Unit Structures%	5.6%	11.2%	13.3%	26.4%
2013 population (est. US Census Bureau)	5,613	8,289	20,323	10,808
Residential Permit Fees	\$5	Price Varies	Price Varies	Price Varies
Avg. Annual Residential Garbage Fees	\$182.38	\$184.68	\$272.76	\$220.32
Extra Garbage Can Fee	NONE	\$79.20 a year for 1 only	\$30 a year rental	Not Allowed
Brush & Bulk Item Pickup	Yes - Included	Yes - \$25 per cu yd *	Yes-Included	Yes-Included
Alley Trash Pickup	Yes - Included	No	No	No
Total estimate with 2 trash cans & brush	\$182.38	\$288.88	\$302.76	\$220.82
How much more you would pay in Solid Waste (Garbage) fees Compared to Windcrest -%	N/A	58.4%	66.0%	21.1%



WINDCREST AVERAGE HOME SALES PRICE

2014 information from Zillow.com 09/02/14



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Windcrest is a city unlike any other.

It is a community built on core values that all citizens and employees strive to exemplify. Windcrest is a place where families of all stages of life can live comfortably and safely while enjoying various amenities. It is a beautiful

environment with lush parks and green spaces complete with a natural wildlife population despite being located in a large metropolitan area. All departments of city government and volunteers work together to create this hamlet for future generations to enjoy and take pride in.

But most importantly, Windcrest is a city where citizens have more flexibility and power in controlling and directing change. The current administration established this type of government which has trickled into all aspects of the city organization today. Many of the new initiatives that have been rolled out recently are a testament to the thoughtful ideas of Windcrest citizens. Today, the city has more than 250 volunteers that dedicate their time, knowledge and energy into city policy, events and organizations. Proving that the support and input from our city's best asset - the citizens - is effective. With the continued commitment and support from the residents, our beloved city will thrive and prosper.



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This city administration is hopeful to continue down the path of prosperity and provide the citizens of Windcrest with the service and amenities they deserve. In order to create goals for the future, we need to evaluate the past and move forward.

So far, the current administration, along with the Windcrest Economic Development Corporation, has saved the city from more than \$30 million in debt and obligations.

Currently, the city is **debt-free** and maintains over a \$2 million rainy day fund, which the current administration has *increased by more than 300 percent* since 2009-2010.

The current administration is committed to serving the citizens of Windcrest and protecting their quality of life. Taxes are declining, revenue is increasing, yet there has not been any cutbacks felt by the citizens. City-related fees are decreasing and much progress has been made to improve our parks, green spaces and events. The City of Windcrest is flourishing and to adapt to this growth, the city has increased police force by almost 45 percent since 2010 to ensure a safe and protected environment for its citizens. This is just the first of many steps in the right direction to ensure the future success of the city.



Throughout the last few years, the current administration has done everything in its power to pave the way for a successful future for the City of Windcrest. In order for Windcrest to be **THE PREMIER CITY** we must continue to invest in our community. This means we must continue to work towards having the best amenities and public safety to ensure a wonderful quality of life for the citizens of Windcrest. Here are some of the goals for the future.

AMENITIES

- Build one regulation-sized soccer field solely funded by donations.
- Continue to improve the Windcrest Little League Baseball Complex.
- Continue to maintain and fix our streets.
- Continue to improve all parks and playground areas.
- Renovate landscaping in all common areas.
- Have free wireless internet in the Windcrest residential area.

FINANCES

- Continue to lower residential property taxes every year toward ***ZERO residential property taxes.***
- Continue to increase rainy day fund for fourth consecutive year.
- Strive to keep city-related costs to citizens low. Our goal is to keep \$5 residential permit fees and reduce garbage fees by 25 percent.



CITY STAFF & BUSINESS

- Maintain great health benefits and establish employee recognition initiatives for city employees.
- Continue to improve our customer service skills.
- Continue to invest in public safety to equip our Police Force and Fire Department with the absolute best tools needed to ensure Windcrest is one of the safest cities in the nation.
- Enhance our city events so citizens can create lifelong memories and traditions for years to come.
- Continue to bring in new business to the city.
- Strengthen new and existing relationships with city businesses, civic organizations and NEISD.
- Continue to remain transparent and encourage citizen participation.



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