# **EERVING WHITE ROCK HILLS AND GREATER CASA VIEW**

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### Decade of Growth, Challenges Ahead Alice Zaccarello, Executive Director

During my first few months here, I have been amazed at the important work the Ferguson Road Initiative (FRI) has accomplished in the past 12 years. Almost every week, I discover something else that FRI has had a hand in. Strong leadership, a small but committed staff, hundreds of dedicated volunteers and public, private and community partners are changing the course of this no longer forgotten area of far East Dallas. These are the

reasons why I wanted to be a part of the FRI team. But, there is one more thing. One particular word comes to my mind when I think about FRI and that is *tenacity*. When a need is identified, the community rallies and there is no stopping until there is resolution. Tenacity has served our organization well in the past and will serve us well as we face challenges ahead.

We have reduced crime, increased crime prevention programs, identified gaps in social, educational and recreational services and brought in partners to help us improve the quality of life. Since 1998, when FRI was established as a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, we have facilitated more than \$100 million dollars of economic development in the form of retail and affordable, middle and high income housing for this community. We have netted more than \$30 million in capital improvements through our advocacy in the '98, '03 and '06 Bond Programs. Our most recent accomplishment is our new White Rock Hills Branch Library. The location of our library will be situated along a beautiful wooded creek behind the White Rock Church of Christ, 9220 Ferguson Road. Children in neighboring apartment complexes will be able to walk to their library. Ground-breaking is slated for Saturday, December 11th at 10 a.m. The annual service report gives a snapshot of our many other vital services and projects.

There has been an explosion of growth this past year. Through the inclusion of Greater Casa View (GCV), our target area nearly doubled. Twelve years ago, our services began in a small area we now call the FRI Graduated *Weed* & *Seed* site, along lower Ferguson Road. Then to the north and east, the FRI 2-Points *Weed* & *Seed* (Buckner/Peavy area) was added 5 years later as our target area steadily grew to include all of White Rock Hills, serving nearly 40,000 residents. Last November, leaders of Greater Casa View approached our agency to bring their community into our fold. In February, the Board voted to include Greater Casa View as a part of our organization, thus increasing our population to more than 70,000 residents. Our geographic boundaries for FRI are Garland Road, to Buckner Boulevard, to the Santa Fe Railroad, to Gus Thomasson, to Oates, to La Prada, to I-30, to White Rock Creek, to Garland Road. Our area includes much of zip code 75218 and all of 75228.

Greater Casa View has established two key goals; to improve Harry Stone Recreation Center and the reduction of crime. They have hosted a meeting with church pastors in GCV to create a working partnership, met with city and community leadership to learn about and support 40 Permanent Supportive Housing units for the homeless at Aspen Chase Apartments, and assisted with the **Everything's Comin Up Roses** fundraiser for FRI. GVC has residents who are energetic, committed and invested in our community. I see that same tenacity in their eyes and actions that will ensure that upper Ferguson Road continues its revitalization.

While GCV is our newest endeavor, the FRI foundation is our *Weed & Seed* strategy. The U.S. Department of Justice funded our *Weed & Seed* Graduated Site from 2000-2005. FRI has the distinction of receiving a second Officially Recognized *Weed & Seed* site; 2-Points began in 2006 and is scheduled to end in April 2011. *Weed & Seed* reduces and helps control and prevent violent crime, drug abuse and gang activity in high-crime neighborhoods.

Our Weed & Seed strategy involves a two-pronged approach: law enforcement agencies and prosecutors cooperate in "weeding out" violent criminals and drug abusers, and public agencies and community-based private organizations collaborate to "seed in" much-needed human services, including prevention, intervention, treatment, and neighborhood restoration programs. A community-oriented policing component bridges the weeding and seeding elements. Although we are nearing the end of our federal funding for operation Weed & Seed, we will continue to seek other funding sources that will support a community-based Weed & Seed strategy. This will ensure that we continue to see a safe, beautiful and prosperous community. FRI is having a significant impact on our community through youth development, family strengthening and community development initiatives. Many of these initiatives are offered at little or no charge to its participants. In order to ensure the sustainability of these programs, FRI is constantly researching and pursuing new funding sources. This year, we have adopted an approach that will allow us to maximize our fund development potential as we prepare for the loss of Weed & Seed dollars. FRI has put into place four development activities:

- Every Board member has made a personal financial commitment to FRI.
- With the leadership of Derek Smith, Executive Director of the White Rock Branch YMCA and FRI Board Member, we kicked off our first annual Partners Campaign on September 13. Our goal is to raise \$35,000 in seven weeks through a team of volunteers who will ask their personal friends, associates and FRI neighbors to support our work with a personally significant financial gift.
- On November 6 FRI will have our very first fundraising event. Through the leadership of the Vice President of the Board, Susan Walker, we have a dynamic committee that has tenaciously worked to make our event, Everything's Comin Up Roses, a success. Our goal is to raise \$25,000. We will be on our way to becoming self-sustaining.
- · The year will end with an expanded annual Membership drive.

Last year we had an impressive and successful year. We continued programs from years past as well as identified new service gaps and worked to address them with essential programs. Each year we build on the one before. Our accomplishments are driven only by you. You have been an integral part of making far East Dallas a better place. We thank you for working with FRI. You are the keystone of our persistent determination. We will continue to work aggressively to address our upcoming challenges and appreciate the support you continue to give us.

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**Vision:** The complete economic revitalization of White Rock Hills and Greater Casa View. This will result from successful partnerships between the Ferguson Road Initiative, neighborhood and Crime Watch Groups, and public/private initiatives.

**Mission: To** transform White Rock Hills and Greater Casa View into a safe, beautiful, prosperous and proud community by inspiring hope and working together to achieve a shared vision.

Our primary purpose is to create a better quality of life for all people in the White Rock Hills and Greater Casa View community. Below are four strategic goals with accompanying programs.

#### 1. INCREASE SAFETY & DECREASE CRIME IN THE COMMUNITY

#### CRIME WATCH AND PUBLIC SAFETY PROGRAMS

Reducing crime and promoting public safety is central to the quality of life in our community. Through our Weed & Seed strategy, FRI provides additional Dallas police patrols in the FRI 2-Points Weed & Seed community to reduce crime. Our partnerships with the Dallas Police Department, other law enforcements agencies, neighborhood Crime Watch groups, code compliance and community prosecution make our community a safer place to live. (25,540 adults, 11,498 youth and 35 community professionals were served through FRI programs)

**Partners:** City of Dallas, Dallas Police Department, neighborhood Crime Watch Groups, National Crime Prevention Council, U.S. Department of Justice, Office of the U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Texas, the Texas Attorney General's Office, the Dallas City Attorney's Office and many other law enforcement entities. (Please visit our website for a complete list and links to our law enforcement partners.)

- Crime Watch
- Volunteers in Patrol
- · Neighborhood Leadership Development
- National Night Out
- Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design
- Crime Watch Toolkit
- Uniformed Officers on overtime patrols
- · Community Prosecutor
- · Community Code Compliance Program

#### ANTI-DRUG & ANTI-GANG EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Gang and drug education is a vital initiative to prevent and reduce youth violence. Adult mentors are involved in our programs that provide anti-drug and anti-gang education, conflict resolution, leadership skills and alternatives to peer pressure. (2,417 youth and adults served through FRI programs)

**Partners:** Dallas Independent School District, U.S. Navy, U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Texas, and Baylor Hospital Police Department

- Anti-Drug Education Workshops
- Anti-Gang Education Workshops
- Drug Education for Youth (DEFY)

#### 2. BEAUTIFY & MAINTAIN THE WHOLE COMMUNITY

Maintaining our beautiful community not only makes far East Dallas a pleasant place to live but also is a crime prevention tool. A well-maintained community impacts crime reduction. Year-round projects supported by volunteers keep graffiti and litter controlled. In addition, volunteers assist with individual projects for our senior citizens and low income families. (196 volunteers served the community through FRI projects.)

**Partners:** Boy Scouts, Lakehill Preparatory School, Episcopal School of Dallas, Storyline Christian Community, New Hope Community Church, Bishop Lynch High School, Dallas Independent School District, and neighborhood associations

- Community-Wide Graffiti Cleanup Campaign
- · Annual Keep White Rock Hills Beautiful Campaign

# 3. PROVIDE SOCIAL SERVICES, EDUCATION & RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES

#### CHILDREN AND YOUTH EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Neighborhood-based academic and enrichment programs in our partner DISD schools, apartment complexes and churches give children and youth opportunities for academic and self development that otherwise would be inaccessible. (822 children and youth served through FRI programs; 299 children and youth served with FRI Partners)

**Partners:** Creative Arts Center, Dallas Independent School District, Dallas Parks and Recreation Department, Enchanted Hills Apartments, New Hope Community Church, White Rock Branch YMCA, White Rock Hills Townhomes, Wilkinson Center, and many more.

After-School TutoringKids Clubs

Family Kite Day

- Summer Camps
- Summer Nutrition Program
- Satellite Learning Centers
  Swimming Lessons
  - Art and Photography
- Family Cultural Field Trips
  Science & Environment Programs

#### CHILDREN & YOUTH RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS

Neighborhood park projects give children and youth a healthy place to play and meet with their friends in a family friendly environment. (1,325 children and youth served with FRI Partners)

Partners: City of Dallas Park and Recreation Department

- Sprayground at Ferguson Park
- Skatepark at Lakeland Hills Park

#### ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Programs enhance and improve language, computer, financial literacy, job and parenting skills to help people help themselves, which advances family and community stability. **(375 adults served with FRI Partners)** 

**Partners**: Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Greater Dallas, Shiloh Terrace Baptist Church, Shiloh Village Apartments, Hope 4 Refugees, New Hope Community Church, Wilkinson Center

- English as a Second Language (ESL)
- General Educational Development (GED)
- Computer Literacy
- Job Skills Training
- Parenting Skills Training
- · Financial Literacy

#### **COMMUNITY & FAMILY SERVICE PROGRAMS**

Our monthly e-blast, bi-annual newsletter and quarterly Steering Committee meetings keep our community apprised of news and pertinent issues that affect far East Dallas. Social service and tax assistance programs strengthen families and promote community health and welfare.

1,800 people receive the FRI e-blast 40,000 residents receive the FRIdays twice a year 877 adults and children served through FRI programs 4,564 people served with FRI Partners

**Partners**: Dallas County Probation Department, Internal Revenue Service, Consumer Credit Counseling/United Way, Dallas White Rock Lions Club, New Hope Community Church, Wilkinson Center, University of Texas at Dallas, Ernst & Young

- · Health, Safety, Housing and Financial Wellness Fairs
- Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA)
- Fire Victims Support
- Victim's Outreach
- Food Pantries
- · Free Eye Exams and Glasses
- · Youth Probation and Mentoring
- · Domestic Violence Prevention Education

#### 4. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Our Capital Bond program has brought more than \$30 million in improvements and enhanced amenities to improve the quality of life for residents of our community. Our Economic Development initiatives have helped facilitate more than \$100 million in investments throughout the past six years in the form of affordable, middle and high income housing, as well as retail development along the Ferguson Road corridor and John West in the 2-Points area.

**Partners**: City of Dallas Office of Economic Development, City of Dallas Parks and Recreation Department, City of Dallas Office of Economic Development, Dallas City Homes, Greenway Development, Primrose @ Highland Falls – Cascade Affordable Housing & Pinnacle Development, Stonegate Development, TREC – The Real Estate Council, Villas on Ash Creek Development, White Rock Townhome Development, and Weitzman Group.

#### Projects

- · Villas on Ash Creek a townhome community at Lakeland and Ferguson
- · White Rock Hills Municipal Library
- · White Rock Hills Community Recreation Center
- The City of Dallas Park and Recreation Dept. has purchased a 4-acre lot at 2229 Highland Road for the recreation center. The city has cleared the land of debris, planted grass seed, and has fenced off the area to keep it secure from illegal dumping.



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"Seek the peace and prosperity of the city.... If it prospers, you too will prosper" (Jeremiah 29:7).

We congratulate *Ferguson Road Initiative* and sister non-profit organizations which work diligently to make East Dallas a place we are proud to call home.

You are invited to worship with us this Sunday, or to enroll in a free Bible Correspondence Course.

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#### FRI BUSINESS PARTNERS & FRIENDS

Access Storage AmeriGroup Texas Bank of America Foundation Baylor Health Care Systems Bonnie Ruth's Café & Catering Café Lago Cambridge Square Apartments Chipotle - Mesquite CiCi's Pizza - Casa View Circle Grill City Credit Union Clampitt Paper Concinnity Network Cornett Enterprises & Photos by Rusty Cowboy Toyota Debbie Chitsey Buys Houses Doctors Hospital at White Rock Lake East Dallas Veterinary Clinic Emeritus at Lakeland Hills Empire Maintenance Services Ernst & Young Federal Home Loan Bank Geiger Associates Grant Thornton Holy Drilling, LLC Holy Hands Barbers Shop Humphrey's Kids InChorus Marketing Jacobs Engineering Jason's Deli – Mesquite Keen U-N Stitches

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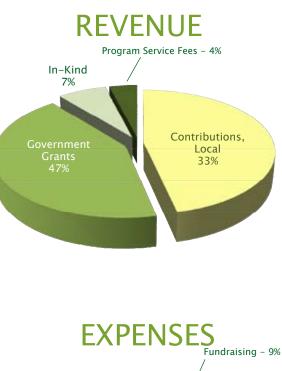
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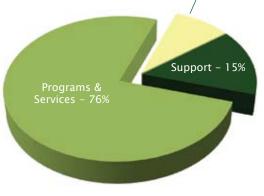
ASSETS Current Assets	2009	2008
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$80,058	\$56,079
Grants receivable	\$106,633	\$25,104
Total Current Assets	\$186,691	\$81,183
Property and Equipment	2009	2008
Computers	\$7,836	\$7,836
Furniture and Equipment	\$51,448	\$48,694
	\$59,284	\$56,530
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(28,606)	(22,528)
Total Property and Equipment	\$30,678	\$34,002
Other Assets	\$2,079	-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$219,448	\$115,185
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Current Liabilities	2009	2008

Current Liabilities	2009	2008
Accounts Payable	\$21,291	\$12,074
Payroll and Related Liabilities	\$7,395	\$2,203
Note Payable	\$19,460	
Total Current Liabilities	\$48,146	\$14,277
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	\$103,361	\$75,908
Temporarily Restricted	\$67,941	\$25,000
Total Net Assets	\$171,302	\$100,908
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$219,448	\$115,185

#### Statement of Activities & Change in Net Assets For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

l	JNRESTRICTED	RESTRICTED	TOTAL
Revenues and Support			
Contributions and Grants	\$178,306	\$194,584	\$372,890
In-Kind Donations	28,920	-	28,920
Other income	16,577	-	16,577
	233,803	194,584	418,387
Net Assets Released from Restrictions	s 151,643	(151,643)	-
Total Revenue and Support	375,446	42,941	418,387
Expenses			
Program Services	263,907	-	263,907
Supporting Services	51,082	-	51,082
Fundraising Services	33,004	-	33,004
Total Expenses	347,993		347,993
Decrease in Net Assets	(27,453)	(42,941)	70,394
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	75,908	25,000	100,908
Net Assets, End of Year	\$103,361	\$ 25,000	\$171,302
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# FRI Fundraiser to Highlight Community Service

FRI to Honor New Hope Community Church and Doctors Hospital at White Rock Lake

On Saturday, November 6, the Ferguson Road Initiative hosts its first fundraiser and special celebration to honor FRI partners who demonstrate the five core values of FRI: Leadership, Respect, Integrity, Community, and Stewardship. Our upbeat theme, **Everything's Comin Up Roses**, highlights the improvements that have been achieved in far East Dallas since FRI was founded as a nonprofit organization in 1998.

It will be an exciting evening as our event takes place at the old Boat House (renamed the Filter Building) on White Rock Lake. Our honorees are New Hope Community Church and Doctors Hospital at White Rock Lake. They were selected to receive recognition for their dedicated service to the residents of far East Dallas. The event will be from 5:30-9 p.m. The program begins promptly at 6 p.m. It includes a live and silent auction to benefit FRI.

Mayor Tom Leppert will join us as we celebrate 12 years of FRI's dedication to the transforming of far East Dallas. There will be entertainment, food, and good fellowship with friends, old and new.

To get the full details, including information on tickets, volunteering, hosting and sponsoring the event, visit our web site at <u>www.</u> <u>fergusonroad.org.</u> We look forward to seeing you Saturday evening, November 6!

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# FRI FOCUS ON CRIME



# Weed & Seed Report

By Kerry Goodwir

Ferguson Road Initiative – Project Weed & Seed is an organization that was created by, is managed by and is primarily operated by volunteers. If it weren't for each and every one of our stakeholder volunteers, there would be no Ferguson Road Initiative. In the six years that I have served as Weed & Seed Coordinator, I have relied heavily on our volunteers to accomplish much of what we've done. In a recent meeting.



I was recognized for all "my" work on the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) initiative. In reality, we had 76 volunteers, led by Super Volunteers Robert Phillips and Jim Garcia, who contributed almost 2,000 hours of their "spare" time to serve the hundreds of taxpayers seeking our assistance.

This past month more than 40 volunteers led by Super Volunteer Deborah McClain, from the Storyline Christian Community, volunteered their Sunday morning to pick up litter in St. Francis Park and paint over graffiti left by vandals in the Ash Creek bridge abutments. Storyline's volunteers return to the park monthly to pick up all the stray litter and are planning a mural project this fall.



Again, three professional city planners, lead by Super Volunteer Ann Bagley, have volunteered their Saturday mornings to work with neighborhood volunteers to create a new community vision in our Area Land Use Design committee for Buckner Boulevard. Dozens of volunteers serve on our Bond Committee, Steering

Committees, and a myriad of other initiatives to make our community a safe, clean, decent place to live and raise our families. To make our community a place people want to live, not a place where people have to live.

More than 60 U.S. Marines and Navy personnel, lead by Super Volunteers Baylor Hospital Police Department's Karla Sparrow and USN CPO Broderick Santos, spent a week with our Drug Education For Youth (DEFY) kids this past July at the Ft. Worth Naval Air Station – Joint Reserve Base teaching our youth the danger of drugs and providing them with leadership training and recreational fun. Super Volunteer Mary Brown spent her summer vacation with our 60 DEFY campers. Mary and her team of volunteers will carry the flag during the next 9 months of DEFY Phase II.



We can't thank our volunteers enough. In fiscal year 2009, more than 330 Super Volunteers contributed more than 4,440 hours of their "spare" time and in year-to-date, 2010, more than 449 have contributed 4,668 hours.



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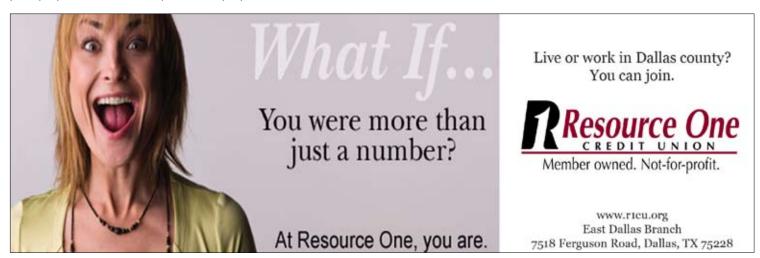
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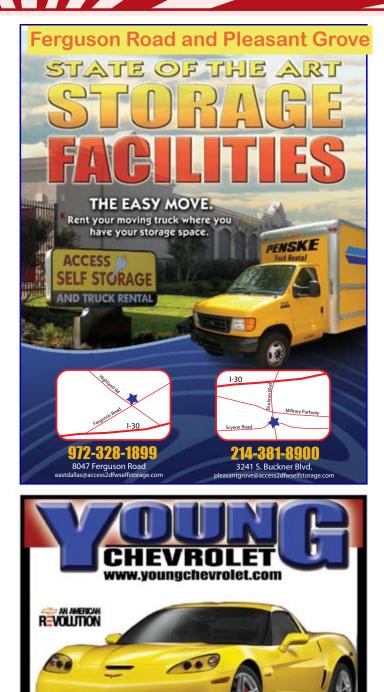


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#### FRI Victim's Outreach Program How Can Victims Be Compensated for Their Victimization? By Edna M. Foster

Being a victim of violent crime can create many hardships. These victims are often impacted emotionally, physically, and financially. As a result, they may experience loss of wages, health issues, loss of property, mental health issues, and more. Therefore, how can we help these victims regain their lives?

In 1979, the Texas Legislature passed the Crime Victims' Compensation Act, which in turn developed the Victims of Crime Fund and the Crime Victims' Compensation (CVC) Program. The purpose of this program is to bring awareness to victims, encourage victim participation in the apprehension and the prosecution of criminals, and reimbursing innocent victims for certain out-of-pocket expenses incurred as a result of violent crime.

The CVC Program is supported through a legislative appropriation from the Compensation to Victims of Crime Fund. Revenue for the Fund is collected from convicted offenders through criminal court costs, fees, and fines, while victims of violence are assisted with expenses related to the crime.

The CVC Program is administered by the Office of the Attorney General to ensure that victims of violent crime are provided financial assistance for crimerelated expenses that cannot be reimbursed by insurance or other sources. CVC recommends that victims seek assistance from other sources, such as health insurance, Medicaid, Medicare, auto insurance, or Texas Workers Compensation before seeking assistance from CVC.

General qualifications for this program include:

- the crime must occur in Texas to a Texas resident or a United States resident, or
- the crime must involve a Texas resident who becomes a victim in another state or country that does not have crime victims' compensation benefits for which the victim would be eligible.

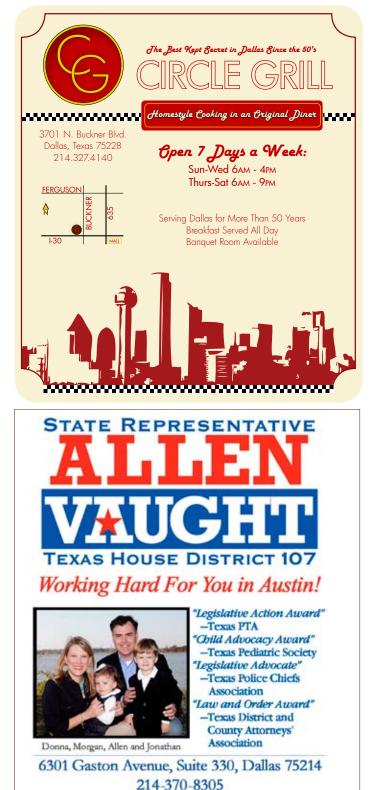
Eligible persons for this program include:

- an innocent victim of crime who suffers physical and/or emotional harm or death
- an authorized individual acting on behalf of a victim
- a person who legally assumes the obligation to voluntarily pay certain expenses related to the crime on behalf of the victim
- a dependent of a victim
- an immediate family member or household members related by blood or marriage who require psychiatric care or counseling as a result of the crime
- an intervener who goes to the aid of the victim or a peace officer
- a peace officer, fire fighter, or individual whose employment includes the duty of protecting the public

#### **Event Highlight - August 20, 2010** FRI's Day of Empowerment for Victims & Professionals

FRI'S Victim's Outreach Program's main goal is to empower and increase knowledge among victims of abuse and violence. In doing so, FRI collaborated with The Family Place and Dallas Christian Women's Job Corp (DCWJC) in hosting their first "FRI's Day of Empowerment for Victims of Violence/Abuse and Professionals" on August 20, 2010. This was a training offered to the general public and professionals to target areas of domestic, sexual, and family violence, and child abuse issues. The presenters for this event were Debra Mitchell-Ibe and Theresa Little from The Family Place, who did a group lecture and an interactive exercise on issues of violence and abuse. This event attracted more than 60 people to include the general public and professionals...resulting in a huge success!

For more specific information on CVC please go to <u>www.oag.state.tx.us/</u> <u>victims/about.comp.shtml.</u> Also, if you are a victim, or know someone who is a victim, and you need assistance please feel free to contact Edna M. Foster, FRI's Victim's Outreach Coordinator. Her contact information is 214-727-0511 or <u>ednafoster@fergusonroad.org.</u>



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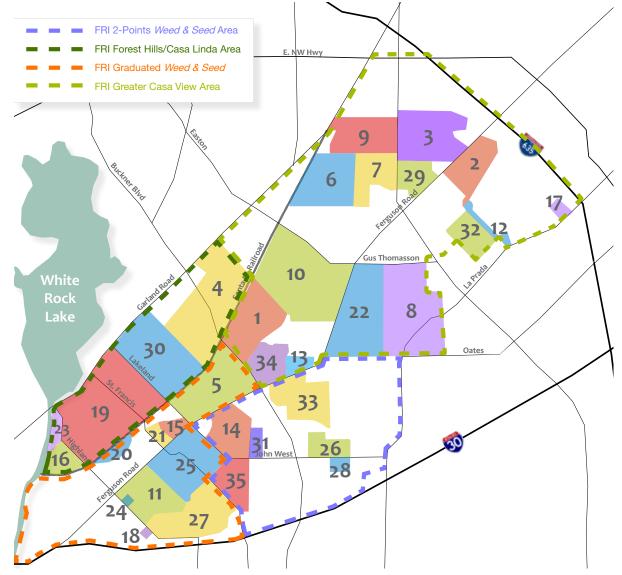


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