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Dallas City Council member Tennell Atkins, Rep. Toni Rose, and Trust for Public Land's Texas State Director Molly Morgan survey the ongoing construction of the Judge Charles R. Rose Community Park



Rep. Toni Rose visits the home of a senior with a hot lunch from Meals on Wheels



#### 88<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

#### TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



#### STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 110

Dear Friends of District 110,

By the time you receive this letter, the 89th Texas Legislative Session will have already begun. Each legislative session, legislators must tackle a unique set of challenges facing the state. Many have anticipated January 14, 2025 as the beginning of the most challenging session in many decades.

Ahead of us are fundamental questions that will have a direct impact on our daily lives: school vouchers and their effect on the whole of the state public education system; increasing pay for those working to support individuals with intellectual disabilities; the housing crisis that has made homebuying largely unaffordable for the average Texan and has been further worsened for families by skyrocketing rent; and how best to invest the expected \$21 billion-dollar state surplus.

Back home, Dallas is facing a key milestone in developing a solution to restorative funding for the police pension; Dallas County has been declared the 4th most food insecure county in the nation; and North Texas continues to remain the most medically uninsured region in America.

There is hope.

Over the past several sessions, I have passed legislation to improve healthcare delivery systems across the state. The most impactful being the extension of healthcare for new mothers from 12 weeks to 12 months to address the maternal mortality crisis, adding birth doulas as state health workers, fully funding the under construction state mental health facility in Dallas, and fully funding the Texas HIV/ AIDS Medication Program (THMP).

In this newsletter, we will share a few of the happenings across District 110 and will spend the bulk of our time seeking to learn from you how my office can best address your individual needs. Serving as your elected state representative has been the greatest honor of my life and I thank you for your continued confidence and support.

Yours for a better Texas,

State Representative | District 110



Rep. Toni Rose poses on The White House lawn during one of her many visits to the Nation's Capital

#### LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

# Mr. Traveous Thompson Awarded 2024 Texas Armed Services Scholarship

With a 3.9 GPA and ranked 3rd in his class at South Oak Cliff High School, Mr. Traveous Thompson has been selected as this year's recipient for the 2024 Texas Armed Services Scholarship Program (TASSP) to represent District 110.

The State of Texas offers a scholarship up to \$15,000 per year to encourage young people to pursue a career in the Texas armed services. Each year, every legislative office may nominate one recipient and one alternate to apply for the grant, which is renewable for four years.

Eligible participants must have participated in a JROTC program in high school and have plans of entering an ROTC program at a Texas college or university, in which they must remain in good standing. Scholarships are awarded to individuals planning to join a branch of the military after college and can do so as an officer because of their college experience.

Traveous calls Texas House District 110 home and is currently a freshman at Texas A&M University, College Station. When we followed up with Mr. Thompson about the impact of the scholarship on his life, he said:

"The Texas Armed Services Scholarship nomination has greatly impacted my academic and career goals. This scholarship has relieved the financial burden of my education on my parents, allowing me to focus on my studies and extracurricular activities with renewed confidence and motivation.

"As an engineering major, aiming to advance into aerospace engineering and eventually serve as an Air Force officer, the TASSP has strengthened my commitment to these goals. I am incredibly grateful to State Representative Toni Rose for her invaluable support. Her dedication has contributed to my educational journey and inspired me to pursue my dreams with incredible determination."

Representative Rose congratulates Mr. Traveous Thompson for his well-earned nomination.



Traveous Thompson, District 110 Texas Armed Services Scholarship Program (TASSP) 2024 Recipient

# Supporting Children with Complex Medical Needs

Representative Rose spent time at The Sunshine Pediatric Day Center for a ceremonial signing of House Bill 3550, which she authored and passed. The bill eliminated unnecessary regulations that prevented Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care Centers (PPECCs) from operating in Texas. PPECCs are facilities that provide medical care as well as therapies that teach activities of daily living to babies, toddlers, and older children with complex medical conditions and needs. Visit sunshinepediatricdaycenter.com to see a video tour of a facility and to learn more.



Sunshine Pediatric Founder David Maymon joins Rep. Toni Rose as she signs a copy of HB 3550; please note that only the Governor of the State of Texas has final authority to sign bills into law

## Judge Charles R. Rose Community Park Update

Built on 40-acres of undeveloped land in the historic Highland Hills neighborhood, The Judge Charles R. Rose Community Park is coming along nicely. The park will serve nearly 4,000 people who live within a 10-minute walk from the park as well as thousands of students at the nearby Paul Quinn College and University of North Texas at Dallas. We are looking forward to the Grand Opening sometime this Spring. Representative Rose recently met with city leaders and stakeholders to view the park and test the newly installed playground equipment.

#### LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

#### Christmas Celebration

Representative Rose partnered with Dallas ISD Trustee Maxie Johnson to host a Christmas Celebration for the students and families at the Royce West Leadership Academy. A great time was had by all in attendance, especially the children, with an amazing soul food dinner being served, take home turkeys, and gift cards provided to the families.



Rep. Toni Rose poses with Royce West Leadership Academy Principal Monnique Banks, DISD Staff, and families from the district.

### Special Guest at The White House

Representative Rose traveled to our Nation's Capital to visit The White House and participate in several activities, including: The Black Excellence Luncheon, Juneteenth Celebration, and The Annual White House Holiday Reception as an honored guest of President Biden and First Lady Dr. Jill Biden.

# Serving District 110 Through Meals on Wheels

A longtime advocate and volunteer for Meals on Wheels, Representative Rose was surprised with The MOW Award for her continued support in helping them better serve our community.

Rep. Rose is the first sitting legislator to receive the MOW award and secured additional funding for Visiting Nurse Association Texas Meals On Wheels during the last legislative session.

### State Trooper Recruitment Office

The Mark Cuban Heroes Basketball Center, located in House Districts 110 and 100, is now the home of the new Texas Department of Public Safety: State Trooper Recruitment Office. The recruitment office serves as a place for potential trooper candidates to engage in physical exercise testing, written tests, and other training activities to prepare for service as a Texas State Trooper.

Trooper requirements include 60 college hours and physical fitness requirements. Sgt. Germaine Gaspard leads recruitment and has helped trooper candidates enroll into community college to attain their required hours and get into shape to meet the physical requirements. Sgt. Gaspard can be reached at (940) 208-8495 or germaine.gaspard@dps.texas.gov if you are interested in a career as a Texas State Trooper.



From L to R: Sgt. Germaine Gaspard, Chief James Thomas,
DPS Regional Director Jeremy Sherrod, Rep. Venton Jones, Dallas
City Councilmember Carolyn King Arnold, Sen. Royce West,
CEO and Ex. Dir. of the Mark Cuban Heroes Basketball Center
Trina Terrell-Andrews, Heroes Chairman Charlie McKinney (cutting
the ribbon), Mavericks Legend and 2023 NBA Hall of Fame
Inductee Dirk Nowitzki, and Rep. Toni Rose

### UNT Dallas Tour

New construction on campus, including health labs that mirror a hospital setting, reflect ongoing progress made by UNT Dallas to the benefit of our community's future professionals.

### Metrocare

Representative Rose was invited to speak at Metrocare's Biannual Legislative Breakfast for a conversation on key issues. Discussion on the state budget surplus, affordable housing, post-election challenges & opportunities, and workforce development was incredibly engaging.

#### QUESTIONNAIRE FOR DISTRICT 110

Your opinions are important and we want to hear from you! After you complete the questionnaire, fold it in the opposite direction, then in thirds with the return address panel on the outside. Tape the questionnaire, place a stamp on the specified area and send it back

If you are interested in receiving additional information from our office electronically, please provide us with your personal contact information including your e-mail address. Your information will only be used to communicate District 110 updates and will not be shared.

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