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Plano Named a “Better City for Pets”



Plano has been named a Certified City in the Better Cities for Pets program. In an assessment report issued by the program, Plano is described as happier and healthier because of pet-friendly traits including:

- Partners across Plano working together to reduce pet homelessness and get more pets in loving homes
- Plano’s animal shelter is a warm, welcoming place people want to visit to take home a pet
- People in Plano have pet-friendly housing options with minimal restrictions or unreasonable fees
- Responsible owner actions like spay/neuter and microchipping are encouraged
- Plano has pet-friendly green spaces for people and pets to get healthy exercise and connect with each other
- Pet amenities like waste stations and drinking water fountains are easy to find throughout Plano
- Some businesses in Plano allow pets at work, so people can enjoy the many benefits pets bring

The Better Cities for Pets program encourages cities across the country to make a commitment to pets and pet owners by implementing more pet-friendly policies and practices.

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Editor’s Note: Go to the City’s [Media Center](#) for comprehensive information about the City of Plano.

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About Plano

Plano, Texas, is the largest city in Collin County with a population of 284,070 as of January 2019. Incorporated in 1873, the city is located 20 miles north of Dallas. Niche and AreaVibes recently named Plano as one of the Best Cities to Live in America. Forbes designated Plano one of America's safest cities. The City offers a high quality of life that includes nationally recognized schools, award-winning parks, and sustainability initiatives and a wide variety of multi-cultural neighborhoods appealing to families, young singles and retirees. Plano is home to the headquarters or regional operations of major corporations such as Toyota, Liberty Mutual, JPMorgan Chase Boeing Global Services, Fannie Mae, FedEx Office, JC Penney, Rent-A-Center, Cinemark Holdings, Denbury Resources and Alliance Data Systems. Our dynamic community features excellent restaurants, vibrant shopping and entertainment venues, a lively historic downtown district and active local arts scene. Easy access to DART light rail and major highways makes Plano a convenient place to live, work and visit. To learn more about Plano, go to our website at plano.gov.