



Madisonville Eyes & Ears Program (MEEP)

The City of Madisonville Code Compliance Division is seeking volunteers to join the Madisonville Eyes and Ears program (MEEP)

The MEEP program will primarily perform duties in the field identifying code violations for the code inspector to perform further investigation. The program is intended to have volunteers aid city staff in improving and preserving the quality of life in our community. These volunteers will help act as the “eyes and ears” in residential and commercial neighborhoods the code compliance inspector. Citizens are key to identifying potentially serious problems.

Essential duties and responsibilities:

- Patrol the city to identify code violations such as:
- Excessive accumulation of trash and debris;
- High grass and overgrown weeds/vegetation;
- Junk vehicles;
- Illegal dumping and litter; and
- Illegal placement of signs

MEEP volunteers will be asked to take photos of the identified violation and submit with the address to the code compliance division. Due to privacy and personal safety, volunteers would only be able to educate property owners and residents concerning the correction of violations. Questions pertaining to pending cases will need to be directed to the Code Inspector.

Qualifications:

Volunteers are requested to volunteer a minimum of once-a-month. Work schedules are flexible based on your availability but are limited to daytime hours. Volunteers must possess a Texas class “C” driver’s license, provide proof of vehicle insurance, successfully complete a background check and drug test, reside in the City of Madisonville.

Training:

The basic training includes reviewing the relevant municipal code sections, criteria for determining if the conditions and known facts constitute an actual violation and how to avoid confrontation and be a good ambassador for the city. The overall goal is to target, the problem not the people.

Training will be conducted with the code inspector to educate volunteers on different code violations that may occur in the field. Volunteers will be trained on what violations are and what they may look like in the field as well as procedures of reporting.

Benefits:

Knowledge that you are helping to promote City Council’s goal of a Healthy, Safe and Vibrant Community.

Knowledge that you are helping to keep Madisonville Beautiful.