

City of Lucas 2025 - 2026 Event Schedule

On July 22, 2025, the City of Lucas Parks and Open Space Board passed the upcoming special event calendar for the new budget year. Stick this page to your refrigerator to know when all of our amazing events are happening this year!



Fiscal Year
2025 - 2026



City of Lucas
Special Events Schedule

Lucas Farmers Market
Schedule

OCT 3	MOVIE IN THE PARK Lucas Community Park 7 PM - 9 PM
NOV 1	ARBOR DAY & RECYCLING EVENT Lucas City Hall 9 AM - 1 PM
DEC 5	COUNTRY CHRTISTMAS Lucas Community Park 6 PM - 9 PM
MAR 28	KEEP LUCAS BEAUTIFUL SPRING CLEANUP Lucas City Hall 9 AM - 1 PM
APR 11	FOUNDER'S DAY Lucas Community Park 9 AM - 2 PM
APR 23	ART IN PUBLIC PLACES OPENING RECEPTION Lucas City Hall 5 PM - 7 PM
MAY 16	LUCAS CAR SHOW Lovejoy High School Parking Lot 8 AM - 12 PM
SEP 19	PUBLIC LANDS TRAIL CLEANUP TBD 9 AM - 1 PM

2025	OCTOBER 11
	OCTOBER 25
2026	DECEMBER 5 HOLIDAY MARKET
	APRIL 25
2026	MAY 9
	MAY 23
2026	JUNE 13
	JUNE 27
2026	JULY 11
	AUGUST 22
2026	SEPTEMBER 12
	SEPTEMBER 26



Election Day

Tuesday, November 4, 2025

Election Day will be on Tuesday, November 4, 2025. The Lucas Community Center (665 Country Club Road, Lucas, Texas) will be open for all early voting days and election day voting.

If you would like to view the sample election ballot, visit: collincountytx.gov/elections/sample-ballots. For other election questions, contact City Secretary Toshia Kimball by phone at 972-912-1211, by email at tkimball@lucastexas.us, or call the Collin County Elections Office at 972-547-1990.

Early Voting Dates & Times

(M -F) October 20 - 24, 2025	8 AM - 5 PM
Saturday, October 25, 2025	7 AM - 7 PM
Sunday, October 26, 2025	11 AM - 5 PM
(M -F) October 27—November 1, 2025	7 AM - 7 PM

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National Night Out

Tuesday, October 7, 2025

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM



The City of Lucas will host National Night Out on Tuesday, October 7, 2025—a great opportunity to connect with neighbors and first responders in support of crime prevention. Collin County ranked 10th nationally in 2024 and celebrates its 22nd year as an "Award-Winning Neighborhood Crime Watch Community."

Want Lucas Fire-Rescue to visit your neighborhood party? Register online at : www.lucastexas.us/nationalnightout. For more info, contact Devanie Stevens at 972-727-1242 or dstevens@lucastexas.us.

Lucas Fire Rescue Open House

Sunday, October 5, 2025

12:00 PM - 3:00 PM

City of Lucas Fire-Rescue, in cooperation with the National Fire Prevention Week, will host their Annual Open House on Sunday, October 5, 2025, from 12:00 PM to 3:00 pm at the Lucas Fire Station (165 Country Club Road). Join us for a fun, family-friendly event packed with safety education, interactive demonstrations, & a behind-the-scenes look at your local fire department. We hope to see you there!



BLAST FROM THE PAST

Lucas City Newsletter

October 2003, Volume IV Issue 10

MONSTER SNAKE
OF SNIDER LANE

About 25 years ago, Bill Crowley went out on an early Sunday morning to get the newspaper. He decided to return home via Snider Lane after crossing the bridge on FM 3286. When he came to the area where Sterling Brown Road intersects Snider Lane he saw a huge snake lying across Sterling Brown Road. The snake was multi-colored and was stretched the entire width of Sterling Brown Road (about 16') with more of the snake remaining in the bar ditch! It was about as big around as a softball. Other residents at the time also reported sighting the snake. It is unknown if this was the only such reptile in the area at the time.



Do its descendents still prowl the area? Beware on Halloween night lest you find out!

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Mayor's Message

By Dusty Kuykendall

Dear Neighbors,

As the vibrant hues of October grace our homes and parks, I'd like to take a moment to reflect on our shared accomplishments and what lies ahead for our beloved Lucas.

MyGovernmentOnline (MGO)

This summer, we welcomed a modern chapter in city service delivery: the rollout of the *MyGovernmentOnline* (MGO) portal. Now, whether you need to submit a public information request, initiate a public works service order, or explore online permitting options, it's all just a few clicks away—right from the comfort of your home or mobile device. I encourage you to create an account and experience this streamlined access to city services firsthand.

Looking Ahead: A Safe and Resilient Future

Your safety continues to be our top priority. This past month, City Council approved a landmark interlocal jail services agreement with Collin County, effective October 1, 2025, solidifying our commitment to responsible, secure, and cost-effective support for public safety operations.

We also remain on schedule in our efforts to establish a Lucas municipal police department. As our city grows, it's essential that we lay the groundwork for a community-driven public safety model—one built by and for the people of Lucas.

What You Can Do

- Explore MyGovernmentOnline: Sign up today to simplify your interactions with City Hall.
- Participate in Civic Life: Join us at City Council meetings (held the first and third Thursdays at 6:30 PM in Council Chambers), or submit comments online prior to meeting.
- Stay Connected: Don't miss upcoming road and safety updates—details are shared regularly on our city news page and newsletter.

Thank You for Your Partnership!

Together, we're shaping a Lucas that honors our small-town spirit even as we plan for tomorrow. I'm grateful to be walking that journey alongside you.

Mayor, City of Lucas

City of Lucas Porch/Fence Fall Decoration Contest

As the leaves begin to turn and the crisp air rolls in, it's the perfect time to add some seasonal charm to your home—and what better way to do that than by joining our Porch or Fence Fall Decoration Contest!

Whether you love pumpkins, scarecrows, fall florals, or festive lights, we want to see how you bring autumn to life right here in Lucas. Decorate your front porch or fence with your favorite fall-themed designs and help spread seasonal cheer throughout our community.

The winner will receive an exclusive City of Lucas Goodie Bag filled with fun surprises and local pride!

How to Participate:

- Decorate your porch or fence with your best fall-themed display.
- Take a photo of your decorated space.
- Submit your entry by October 10, 2025 to tkimball@lucastexas.us. Include your name, address, and phone number with your submission.

Entries will be judged on creativity, visual impact, and seasonal spirit. The winner will be announced on the City of Lucas Facebook page & in next month's newsletter.

Let's make Lucas a little more festive this fall—one porch and fence at a time!

For questions or more information, contact tkimball@lucastexas.us or 972-912-1211.



UPCOMING EVENTS

All meetings are held at Lucas City Hall located at 665 Country Club Road in Lucas. To watch City of Lucas public meetings via livestream, go to:

lucastexas.us/departments/public-meetings/.

MEETINGS

October 2

City Council Meeting
City Hall | 6:30 pm

October 9

Planning and Zoning Meeting
City Hall | 6:30 pm

October 16

City Council Meeting
City Hall | 6:30 pm

October 22

Board of Adjustment Meeting
City Hall | 6:30 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 3

Movie in the Park
Lucas Community Park
7:00 pm

October 5

Fire Station Open House
Lucas Fire-Rescue
12:00 pm - 3:00 pm

October 7

National Night Out
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

October 11

Lucas Farmers Market
Lucas Community Park
8:00 am - 12:00 pm

October 25

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November 1

Arbor Day & Recycling Event
9:00 am - 12:00 pm

November 3

Holiday Donation Drive Begins
City Hall

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

Lucas Farmers Market Updates

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

With October and cooler weather comes the end of the 2025 Lucas Farmers Market season. The year has shown us what makes the Lucas Farmers Market great; amazing new and returning vendors, fun events, and contests took place this year that show just how wonderful the Lucas community is. That said, in October, there are still two markets left, with the always fun activities that make the Lucas Farmers Market a blast for the whole community! Don't forget to stop by! There is always something fun to see and do at the Farmers Market!

THIS MONTH AT THE

Farmers Market

October 11, 2025 - Pumpkin Painting & Lovejoy Art Sale

Join the Legacy 4-H Club and the Lucas Farmers Market as Legacy brings pumpkins for our local young artists to paint. Pumpkins will be available to artists on a first-come, first-served basis, so don't be late. While your at it, stop by the Lovejoy Art Sale to shop, browse & support local creativity!

October 25, 2025 - Lucas Farmers Market Trick or Treat

The last market of the season is sure to bring a lot of spooky festive cheer. Join our Lucas Farmers Market staff and vendors for a special market Trick-or-Treat. All parents, children, or furry family members are encouraged to wear their Halloween costumes and stop by all of our amazing vendor booths. The weather will be fantastic and all of our vendors are sure to be "eerie-sistible."

2025 Farmers Market Schedule

Date	Special Events
Saturday, October 11	Pumpkin Painting & Lovejoy Art Sale
Saturday, October 25	Trick or Treat
Friday, December 5	Country Christmas and Holiday Market

Infrastructure Update

Since August, Lucas completed drainage improvements across the city, including neighborhood-wide work in Meadows and Woodmoor. These neighborhoods were re-paved in September, along with a section of East Winningkoff Road. Drainage improvements and pavement patching were also completed along Carey Lane and on Stinson Road near Highland Drive. In other road news, TxDOT has made a temporary change to the traffic pattern at the intersection of Lucas Road and Southview Drive. This new traffic pattern will be in place until the newly paved portions of the road are completed.

Several new water and wastewater projects are set to kick off in the coming months. These include:

Estates Road: replacing an asbestos-concrete water line with a new water-line.

East Winningkoff Water Tower: adding an automated control valve to allow for remote operations.

McGarity Pump Station: rehabilitating the 350,000-gallon ground storage tank.

Osage Lane Lift Station: installing new wastewater pumps to support upcoming commercial development.

In addition, more than 90% of the water meters in Lucas are now remotely readable thanks to the installation of Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) across the city, and efforts continue to bring the remaining meters online. This saves resources on manual reading and charting, aids in leak detection, and improves transparency.

Questions? Contact Patrick Hubbard, CIP Manager at phubbard@lucastexas.us or 972-912-1209.

Arbor Day & Recycling Event

Saturday, November 1, 2025 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

The City of Lucas Arbor Day and Recycling Event will take place on Saturday, November 1, 2025 at Lucas City Hall (665 Country Club Road, Lucas, Texas). Texas Arbor Day is an annual holiday that promotes environmental conservation through tree planting. This event supports the Keep Lucas Beautiful program in its efforts to sustain healthy ecosystems in our community.

The City of Lucas partners with the Legacy 4-H Club to give away free tree saplings and mulch to encourage tree planting! United Electronic Recycling and Mobile Shred-It will set up a drive through drop-off for recycling and free paper shredding. Disposal fees will be charged for televisions (\$20), CRT monitors (\$10), & printers & copiers (\$5). Other items you can drop off include laptops, cell phones, chargers, flat screen monitors, and small appliances (microwaves, toasters, etc.). All other electronics not listed as having a fee are free to drop off. Paper products, such as soft or hard cover books and magazines are free to drop off as well.

For more information about the event, visit our Arbor Day webpage at lucastexas.us/arborday or contact Communications & Event Specialist Donna Bradshaw at 972-912-1208 or dbradshaw@lucastexas.us. We can't wait to see you there!

Service Tree Nominations

The City of Lucas has established a Service Tree Award Program that allows for annual recognition of an individual, business, youth or civic group who has contributed a significant and useful service to the community. The award consists of planting and dedicating a living tree at the Lucas Community Park in the recipients honour. All nominees will be reviewed and finalists will be chosen by the City Council. Service Tree Awards will be presented to the recipients during the Lucas Founders Day event on April 11, 2026. Nominees should meet the following criteria:

- Actions should benefit the City/residents in a significant way.
- Nominee may be an individual, youth, church group, civic or neighborhood group (ex: HOA, garden club), youth group (ex: Boy or Girl Scout troop, 4-H Club), local business or charity.
- The individual must live in the City of Lucas or have lived in the City corporate limits during the time the service was performed. If a business or church, they must be located within the City of Lucas.

To submit a nomination, an online application can be found on the City website at lucastexas.us/service-tree-program/. Nominations must be submitted no later than **Friday, December 26, 2025** by the **end of the business day**.

Holiday Donation Drive

November 3, 2025 - December 5, 2025

This year's City of Lucas Holiday Donation Drive will be held from November 3 to December 5, 2025. Every year, the City of Lucas holds a donation drive during the holidays to help those in need throughout the community. The City of Lucas will be partnering with Toys for Tots to collect toys for children, All Community Outreach to collect food for families and Family Promise of Collin County to collect household essentials and gift cards for the holiday season. The City of Lucas will partner with Sparks Loving Care Home for their Senior Angel Tree and Lucas Veterinary Hospital to provide food for pets during the holiday season. The November volume of the Lucas Leader will highlight more specific information on how to donate too these organizations and spread the holiday cheer!

Blackland Raptor Center

"Owl-O-Ween" Celebration

Saturday, October 11, 2025 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Looking for more, safe Halloween fun in Lucas in October? Join the Blackland Prairie Raptor Center and their feathered residents on October 11, 2025 for a family friendly festival. Kids can enjoy games, fun activities, spooky nature walks, and meet some of the live raptors who call Lucas their home. This event will be held from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm at Blackland Prairie Raptor Center (1625 Brockdale Park Road, Lucas, TX).

Movie in the Park: Featuring Scoob!

Friday, October 3, 2025 - 7:00 PM

Grab your blankets, lawn chairs, and favorite movie snacks—it's time for the annual Movie in the Park in Lucas!

This year's featured film is *Scoob!*, a fun-filled animated adventure perfect for the whole family. Join us on Friday, October 3, 2025, at Lucas Community Park, located at 665 Country Club Road. The movie will begin at 7:00 p.m., just after sunset.

The City of Lucas will be serving free hot dogs, chips, popcorn, lemonade, and water while supplies last, so be sure to come early to grab a bite and visit with neighbors before the show begins. Families are encouraged to bring cozy blankets, pillows, and their favorite movie snacks to make the evening as comfortable and enjoyable as possible.

Don't miss this exciting opportunity to enjoy *Scoob!* on the big outdoor screen, surrounded by friends, family, and the welcoming spirit of Lucas!

Save the Date - Country Christmas

Friday, December 5, 2025 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

The City of Lucas is excited to announce the return of its beloved Country Christmas celebration, which will take place on Friday, December 5, 2025, at Lucas Community Park, located at 665 Country Club Road. This cherished annual event brings together residents and visitors for an evening of holiday cheer, community spirit, and festive fun.

The festivities will begin with the annual tree lighting ceremony, led by Mayor Kuykendall, setting the tone for a magical evening. New this year are a 10-foot snow slide and an interactive snow play area, bringing a winter wonderland to Lucas. These additions, along with favorite holiday traditions, promise fun and lasting memories for all ages.

Do you own a business and are looking for an advertisement opportunity at Country Christmas? Call Communications & Event Specialist Donna Bradshaw at 972-912-1208 or email at dbradshaw@lucastexas.us to learn about how you can sponsor this year's event and have your brand featured at the holiday activities.