



Voter Guide: May 2021 Election

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Blanco County Emergency District No. 2 - two propositions

Blanco County Emergency Services District (ESD) No. 2, was formed in May 1999 and serves the south portion of Blanco County and other areas outside the county for mutual aid. Emergency Service Districts are local political subdivisions of the State of Texas that may provide Fire, Rescue, EMS and other emergency services. They are formed by citizens who must request, by petition, an election to form the ESD and are primarily funded by an ad valorem (property) tax that, under State Statute, cannot exceed \$0.10 per \$100 of property valuation (a \$100,000 home pays \$100 a year for Fire & EMS services). Blanco County ESDs are governed by a Board of Five Commissioners, appointed by the County Commissioners Court. Blanco County ESD No. 2, depends on citizen donations, in addition to property and sales taxes, to offer advanced life support services and fire suppression 24/7.

Proposition 1: Adding the Fredericksburg ISD territory within Blanco County to Blanco County Emergency Services District No. 2.

For: Annexation would allow the residents of the Fredericksburg ISD territory who are not currently part of BCESD #1 or BCESD #2 to legally become a part of BCESD #2, and receive affordable fire and EMS services at a tax rate of \$0.10/\$100 valuation, the maximum allowed by the legislature for any ESD.

Against: The residents of the Fredericksburg ISD territory who are not currently part of BCESD #1 or BCESD #2 can still receive fire and EMS services from either BCESD #1 or BCESD #2, whichever is closest to their residence, but will be billed for charges incurred for each emergency event at the prevailing rates adopted or agreed upon by the responding ESD.

Proposition 2: Fredericksburg ISD territory within Blanco County assuming its proportionate share of the outstanding debts and taxes of the Blanco County Emergency Services District No. 2 if it is added to the District.

For: Residents of the annexed territory will pay the same ad valorem tax rate as other residents of BCESD #2 (\$0.10/\$100 valuation - e.g. the tax on a \$100,000 piece of property/home would be \$100.00 per year), and not the higher rate that would be billed for services if they remained an un-annexed territory.

Against: Residents of the un-annexed territory are currently not taxed for BCESD #1 or BCESD #2 fire and EMS services. Residents are currently billed for each fire and EMS service event at the prevailing rates adopted or agreed upon by the responding ESD.

Voting Information for Blanco County Emergency Service District No. 2 Election

Take a photo ID with you to the voting location. Curbside voting available.

EARLY VOTING: Blanco Library Conference Room at 1118 Main Street in Blanco

Sunday April 18	Monday April 19	Tuesday April 20	Wednesday April 21	Thursday April 22	Friday April 23	Saturday April 24
	9am to 5pm	9am to 5pm	9am to 5pm	9am to 5pm	9am to 5pm	

Sunday April 25	Monday April 26	Tuesday April 27	Wednesday April 28	Thursday April 29	Friday April 30	Saturday May 1
	9am to 5pm	9am to 5pm				

ELECTION DAY: Saturday, May 1 from 7:00am to 7:00pm

Location: Blanco Library Conference Room at 1118 Main Street in Blanco