



**Greater Oak Hills Civic Association (GOHCA)  
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February 1, 2021 - HAPPY NEW YEAR

The Greater Oak Hills Civic Association annual membership drive is now under way. Your Civic Association would appreciate your continued support of \$100 annual membership fee to maintain the beauty, safety, security, and camaraderie in our neighborhood, one of the most desirable neighborhoods in S. Baton Rouge.

The COVID-19 Pandemic hit our nation hard last year, and it caused the cancellation of our General Meeting in March 2020, which is our designated meeting in which we elect our new officers and board members. A huge thank you to the 2019 officers and board members who agreed to stay on until March 2021. Our present officers and board members have continued to meet both virtually and/or through outdoor meetings, while practicing social distancing to stay on task, keeping the safety & beauty of our neighborhood as our focus.

So now we ask YOU to consider VOLUNTEERING to serve on the GOHCA Board for 2021. The following positions are available: President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and 5 board positions. Yes, please let one of us know if you are interested and/or have a recommendation for these positions. The email addresses and phone numbers are available @ [www.oakhillsbr.com](http://www.oakhillsbr.com) or you may reach me at 225-819-0627.

With the COVID-19 requirements for LSU and Hilltop Arboretum, we have moved the GOHCA meetings for 2021 to the Bluebonnet Library meeting room. Meetings are held EVERY 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month. The next board meeting is February 16<sup>th</sup> and the General Meeting is March 16<sup>th</sup>. PLEASE NOTE THE LOCATION & TIME CHANGE OF ALL MEETINGS: **6:15pm-7:30pm at Bluebonnet Library**

What was accomplished in 2019 and 2020:

- \* Installed a license plate reader & pedestrian camera at the Siegen Lane and Highland Rd. entrances. We are moving forward with the installation of the same equipment at the Perkins/Oakdale entrance at the time of this letter. This should be completed no later than the end of February 2021. The camera installation has already assisted the EBR Sheriff in several incidents and arrests.
- \* Planted/Replaced the Oak Tree at the Siegen/North Oak Hills entrances.
- \* Upgraded the bi-annual planting of color plants at all entrances.
- \* Added mulch to protect the roots of the Oak Trees at Highland entrance.

**The GOHCA Officers and Board are working to ensure that your dues are spent in the best way to preserve the value of the homes in Oak Hills Subdivision.** At this time 370 of the 744 residences (about half of the neighborhood) are paying dues, although all residents benefit from the amenities provided for our neighborhood. We want to graciously thank those who pay dues in 2020 and salute the 46 families who also donated (in addition to paying dues) a total of \$2,140.00, which greatly helped in the purchase of the entrance cameras! In addition to landscaping and having a security policeman who also checks the cameras when necessary, GOHCA advocates for members in City/Parish policy questions and disputes of various kinds. If all residents paid their dues, we would be able to plan and execute neighborhood enhancements more effectively.

On behalf of the officers and board, I thank all who pay their dues to GOHCA and are helping to maintain and preserve the value, beauty and safety of Oak Hills neighborhood. I request that you encourage neighbors to join as well. We appreciate your help in making the Greater Oak Hills neighborhood even greater.

Thank you  
Ellen S. Elias, President