

## A Chronic Kidney Disease Awareness Initiative of Commissioner Alisa L. Simmons

Dear Friend,

Happy New Year! I hope you're feeling the joy that a new beginning brings!

Speaking of new beginnings, I'm inviting you to become a vendor at my **2**<sup>nd</sup> **Annual Kidney Wellness and Health Expo**.

The Kidney Wellness & Health Expo is an *early detection and awareness* event that educates individuals on the risks of Chronic Kidney Disease and offers early testing as a preventive measure.

**Chronic Kidney Disease** is a silent killer. The condition goes mostly undetected until it's too late. Three years ago, I was diagnosed with Stage 2 CKD. This diagnosis motivates me to encourage others to be screened for this condition.

The 2025 Kidney Wellness and Health Expo will be at **10 a.m. March 15, 2025,** at the Tarrant County Sub-Courthouse in Arlington.

As a county leader, I feel responsible to lessen the financial burden encumbered by our county hospital system when sick patients use our emergency rooms for chronic illnesses. This practice is costly to everyone, particularly taxpayers.

Early detection of chronic disease is critical. Last year, nearly 100 individuals were screened for kidney disease at my inaugural event. Hundreds more attended educational sessions.

This year, the expo will offer more health services, including free mammogram and cervical cancer screenings, offered by Moncrief Cancer Institute. I expect larger attendance and participation in 2025.

Please let my team know if you will collaborate with me on this project. Complete the attached form and return it before Jan. 24. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Alija Simmons

Alisa L. Simmons



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## **2025 VENDOR COMMITMENT FORM**

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|                | 2025 VENDOR CC                         | <b>)MMITMENT</b>                     |
| YES! I will be | a vendor at the 2025 H                 | Kidney Wellness & Health Expo        |
| With regrets,  | I won't be a vendor the                | e 2025 Kidney Wellness & Health Expo |
|                | Commissioner Alisa Sin<br>nation of \$ | nmons' health initiative.<br>        |
| Pleas          | se make your commitn                   | nent by Jan. 24, 2025                |
| Make chec      | ks payable to: Tarrant Spe             | cial Events Foundation – Precinct 2  |

Mail this reply form to: Office of Commissioner Alisa Simmons Tarrant County Sub-Courthouse 700 E. Abram St., Suite 304 Arlington, TX 76010

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