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## **RIDE NTTA TO A FABULOUS FOURTH!**

*Independence Day barbecues, parades and fireworks a short NTTA trip away*

**PLANO, TX – July 1, 2014** – North Texas Tollway Authority toll roads offer quick and convenient routes to get to area Fourth of July celebrations. With so many Independence Day celebrations throughout the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex, here are some top destinations motorists can visit without venturing far from convenient NTTA toll roads.

### [Frisco Freedom Fest](#) (Frisco)

July 4

4-10 p.m. (Fireworks begin at 10 p.m.)

Simpson Plaza at City Hall, 6101 Frisco Square Blvd.

The Party in the Plaza will include all the traditional makings of Frisco Freedom Fest beginning at 4 p.m. Families will enjoy the Children's Expo featuring bounce houses, face painting and other games. Other activities include live bands, a hot dog eating contest, the Taste of Frisco and fireworks extravaganza.

*Directions: From Dallas North Tollway, take the Main Street exit in Frisco and head north on the frontage road (Dallas Parkway). Turn right (east) onto Frisco Square Boulevard.*

### [Kaboom Town!](#) (Addison)

July 3

5 p.m.-midnight (Fireworks begin at 9:30 p.m.)

Addison Circle Park, 4870 Addison Circle Drive ([Free; tickets required](#))

Rated one of the top places to watch fireworks in the country by the American Pyrotechnics Association, *USA Today*, *Travel + Leisure* and *The Wall Street Journal*, the nationally-recognized fireworks show can be seen from anywhere in Addison, including the Addison Circle Park watching party and many of Addison's restaurants and hotels. The dazzling 30-minute fireworks show is choreographed to music and a live radio simulcast on 100.3 JACK FM. Plus there will be great food, live music and the spectacular Addison Airport Air Show featuring the Cavanaugh Flight Museum Warbird Flyover.

*Directions: From Dallas North Tollway, take the Arapaho Road exit and head west on Arapaho Road. Turn right (north) onto Quorum Drive and take the Addison Circle west to Addison Circle Drive.*

### [Red, White and BOOM](#) (McKinney)

July 4

Parade: 10 a.m.

Classic Car, Truck & Cycle Show: 1–5 p.m.

Family activities and food: 7–9:30 p.m.

Live entertainment: 8–9:30 p.m.

Fireworks: 9:45 p.m.

Historic Downtown McKinney/ McKinney Soccer Complex at Craig Ranch

The City of McKinney celebrates the Fourth of July at Red, White and BOOM! with free family activities, live entertainment and a spectacular fireworks show on Friday, July 4. The day kicks off with a parade and classic car, truck and cycle show in Historic Downtown McKinney. Evening festivities resume at the McKinney Soccer Complex at Craig Ranch with music, food, kids' activities and a fireworks display. Country music singer/songwriter Zane Williams will be on stage to provide live entertainment. WRR will provide 'Sounds of America' on a live simulcast during the fireworks on Classical 101.1. All activities are free and open to the public. For more information about the event call 972-547-7480.

*Directions: To downtown McKinney, take the Sam Rayburn Tollway north to U.S. 75. Go north on U.S. 75 and take the North Tennessee exit and turn right (east). The McKinney Soccer Complex at Craig Ranch is located off Stacy Road, just north of SRT. Take SRT north and exit Stacy and head north. Turn left on Collin McKinney Pkwy.*

[Liberty by the Lake Festival](#) (The Colony)

July 4

6:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m. (Fireworks begin at 9:30 p.m.)

Stewart Creek Park, 3700 Sparks Road

This fun-filled event includes a parade, family entertainment, fireworks and 5K and 10K runs along with a 1-mile fun run.

*Directions: From Sam Rayburn Tollway, take the Main Street exit in The Colony and head north on Main Street. Turn left (west) onto North Colony Boulevard and follow it as it becomes Sparks Road.*

[Flower Mound Independence Fest](#) (Flower Mound)

July 4

Starts at 10 a.m. (Fireworks begin at 9:50 p.m.)

Bakersfield Park, 1201 Duncan Lane

Independence Fest activities begin with the annual children's parade at the Lewisville Independent School District School Administration Building, 1800 Timber Creek Road, and concludes with a fantastic fireworks finale following the free concert featuring KANSAS at Bakersfield Park. Independence Fest 2014 will also host performances by other musical groups, including Back in Black and Breaking Southwest, plus a vintage car show, a showcase of local businesses, food and drinks for the whole family, and a completely free Kid's Zone complete with bounce houses, face painting, and more.

*Directions: From Sam Rayburn Tollway, exit at Freeport Parkway and head northwest on Freeport Parkway as it turns into Lakeside Parkway. Turn right (north) onto Garden Ridge Road and then turn right again (east) onto Spinks Road. Turn left (north) onto Duncan Road.*

[Richardson Family 4th Celebration](#) (Richardson)

July 4

6-10:15 p.m. (Fireworks begin at 9:45 p.m.)

Breckinridge Park, North Brand Road, just south of Renner Road

Sparks will fly at the City of Richardson's annual Family 4th Celebration. This traditional, patriotic salute is free and open to the entire community. Attendees are encouraged to bring picnics, blankets and/or lawn chairs and enjoy the evening under the stars!

*Directions: From President George Bush Turnpike, exit at Renner Road and head east on Renner Road. Turn right (south) onto North Brand Road.*

[Fireworks on Main](#) (Rowlett)

July 4

6-10 p.m. (Fireworks begin at 9:30 p.m.)

Downtown Rowlett, 4900 Main St.

Rowlett's largest fireworks show takes place on Main Street in downtown Rowlett. The festivities include live music, festival-style foods, children's activities and more!

*Directions: From President George Bush Turnpike, exit at Main Street and head west on Main Street.*

[Red, White and Blue Blast](#) (Sachse)

July 3

6 -10:30 p.m. (Fireworks begin at 9:30 p.m.)

Heritage Park, 4408 Hudson Drive

Sachse's 7th Annual Red, White & Blue Blast will include live entertainment, activities, food, vendors, bounce houses, contests, face painting, and of course, fireworks. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and bug spray!

*Directions: From President George Bush Turnpike, exit at Miles Road and head north on Miles Road. Turn right (east) onto Hudson Drive.*

[Fort Worth's Fourth](#) (Fort Worth)

July 4

2-10 p.m. (Fireworks begin at 10 p.m.)

Panther Island Pavilion, 395 Purcey St.

Fort Worth's Fourth is an evening of free family activities, music and fireworks along the Trinity River at Panther Island Pavilion. It will feature live music from Larry g(EE) as well as free activities such as Jet Ski shows, flyboard shows, pony rides, bounce houses, miniature golf, a water slide, a levee slide, face painting, tubing and more.

*Directions: From Chisholm Trail Parkway, turn right onto South University Drive, turn left to merge onto W. Rosedale Street/Worth Street, turn left onto Forest Park Boulevard and turn left onto Purcey Street.*

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### **About the NTTA**

The North Texas Tollway Authority, a political subdivision of the state of Texas, is authorized to acquire, construct, maintain, repair and operate turnpike projects in the north Texas region. The [nine-member board](#) is comprised of Chairman Kenneth Barr; Vice Chairman Bill Moore; and Directors William D. Elliott, Matrice Ellis-Kirk, Mojoy Haddad, Gary Kloepper, Michael Nowels, George "Tex" Quesada and Jane Willard.

NTTA serves Collin, Dallas, Denton, Tarrant and Johnson counties and owns and operates the Dallas North Tollway, President George Bush Turnpike, Sam Rayburn Tollway, Addison Airport Toll Tunnel, Lewisville Lake Toll Bridge, the Mountain Creek Lake Bridge and the Chisholm Trail Parkway. NTTA is able to raise capital for construction projects through the issuance of turnpike revenue bonds. NTTA toll projects are not a part of the state highway system and receive no direct tax funding. Tolls are collected to repay debt and to operate and maintain the roadways.