

# UPTOWN UPDATE



## LET THE HOLIDAYS BEGIN!

On Thanksgiving evening, Uptown Houston will host the **TXU Energy Uptown Holiday Lighting** celebration benefiting Sheltering Arms Senior Services. This free event will feature festive music and entertainment on the **Macy's Holiday Stage** by the Houston Concert Band, the Salvation Army Harbor Light Choir, holiday characters including clowns, larger-than-life Santa's reindeer, 12-foot tall snowmen and a special appearance from Santa Claus. Eighty Christmas trees and area buildings will sparkle as more than a half-million twinkling lights are illuminated simultaneously with an awe-inspiring fireworks extravaganza set to holiday music.



### 'TIS THE SEASON TO GIVE THANKS

'Tis the season for giving, and **TXU Energy** is in the holiday spirit serving as the title sponsor of the **TXU Energy Uptown Holiday Lighting** on Thanksgiving evening, Nov. 22 at 4 p.m.

In addition, Macy's has made the favorite family tradition possible this year by bringing the **Macy's Holiday Stage** to the event.



The **TXU Energy Uptown Holiday Lighting** is a free family event made possible by gracious sponsors, including TXU Energy, Macy's, Apache Corporation, Stewart Title, Cox Radio (107.5 K-Hits, 106.9 The Point, Country Legends 97.1, The New 93Q), Crescent Real Estate Equities, The Hilton Post Oak and Maggiano's Little Italy.

### EVENT FAST FACTS

#### WHEN

Thursday, November 22,  
4 – 7 p.m.

#### WHERE

Post Oak Boulevard between  
San Felipe and Westheimer

#### COST

FREE and open to the public

#### FREE PARKING

FREE parking will be available at Four Oaks Place, Fashion Square, Post Oak Plaza, Post Oak Central, Centre @ Post Oak, 777 Post Oak Boulevard, The Galleria, Dillard's parking garage and Williams Tower. A printable map is available online at [www.uptown-houston.com](http://www.uptown-houston.com)

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

#### 4:00 P.M.

- Holiday music and concessions

#### 5:00 P.M.

- The **Macy's Holiday Stage** will feature merry holiday tunes by the Houston Concert Band, and the Salvation Army Harbor Light Choir
- Strolling entertainment along Post Oak Boulevard

#### 7:00 P.M.

- Holiday sing-a-long
- Special appearance by Santa Claus on the **Macy's Holiday Stage**
- Illumination of more than a half-million twinkling lights on 80 trees and area buildings
- Dazzling fireworks extravaganza

## SPOTLIGHT ON SHELTERING ARMS SENIOR SERVICES

Sheltering Arms Senior Services, the beneficiary for the TXU Energy Turkey Trot, provides a wide range of affordable senior and support services to



Harris County's older adults and their caregivers. Annually, Sheltering Arms serves more than 54,000 seniors and caregivers through home health and in-home care, counseling and referral services, medical alarms, case management, geriatric care management, adult day care, housing and energy management, and telephone reassurance.

In its mission to promote the dignity and independence of older adults, Sheltering Arms is also a partner with Healthy IDEAS, a national initiative that uses evidence-based intervention to screen, address and prevent depression in older adults.

## TURKEY TROT MAKES ITS WAY DOWN POST OAK BOULEVARD

For the 15th consecutive year, Houstonians will "trot" through Uptown Houston for the TXU Energy Turkey Trot benefitting Sheltering Arms Senior Services. Uptown Houston encourages all Houstonians to "trot" for a good cause in the morning and then come back out for the event of the season, the TXU Energy Uptown Holiday Lighting. The Turkey Trot will begin at 8 a.m. in Uptown Park featuring a 5K Fun Run/Walk/Wheelchair, 10K Competitive Run/Walk/Wheelchair, Kids' K Fun Run and a post-race party. So, put on your "trotting" shoes and help raise money for a good cause. To register visit [www.shelteringarms.org](http://www.shelteringarms.org).



## DECK THE STREETS!

To prepare for the 22nd Annual Uptown Holiday Lighting on Thanksgiving evening, Uptown Houston has transformed its streets into a scene fit for Santa. Boulevard Bob, who has been lighting Post Oak Boulevard for more than 20 years, and his crew of merry elves went to work in Uptown earlier this month to line the Boulevard and decorate 80 Christmas trees with more than a half-million lights and holiday decorations. The holiday season is nearing, and Uptown Houston is ready to shine.

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