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Tickets that are ignored turn into warrants. If you have fines that you have not paid to the City of Burleson's Municipal Court, your time is running out. Arrests will be made and unpaid fines will be collected during the Great Texas Warrant Roundup in March. Notices will be mailed statewide by participating agencies for the 2016 Great Texas Warrant Roundup.

Burleson currently has approximately 3,150 outstanding warrants valued at more than \$801,000. In February and March 2015, 259 outstanding warrants were paid and \$45,908 was collected.

The Burleson Municipal Court, City Marshals and the Burleson Police Department will join forces with more than 240 law enforcement agencies across the state for the 2016 Great Texas Warrant Roundup.

The municipal court staff extended the court's hours of operation for February. Regular business hours for the court are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., and Wednesday, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. On Fridays for the month of February (Feb. 19 and Feb. 26) the court will be open late, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., to give people who have warrants time to come in and take care of them before the warrant roundup. The court is located inside the Burleson sub courthouse at 247 Elk Dr., Room 114 (across from Burleson High School).

If you don't know if you have an outstanding warrant, call the Burleson Municipal Court warrant department at 817-426-9298, or the court in which you received a citation.

The Burleson Police Department's Citizens on Patrol (COPs) have been assisting the court in clearing the warrants by making phone calls to individuals who have outstanding warrants. COPs members will call those with unpaid fines in an attempt to clear the cases.

The focus is on Class C misdemeanor warrants, the majority of which are traffic-related offenses. Although the focus is on Class C warrants, higher charge warrants may also be served.

To avoid being arrested, you may:

- Appear in person at Burleson Municipal Court.
- Pay online by going to the Municipal Court Online Payments page on the City website, <https://www.burlesontx.com/MOnlinepay>. You cannot make partial payments, pay cash bonds, or pay dismissal fees online. Payments received by 4 p.m. are posted on the next business day. MasterCard and Visa are accepted.
- Pay by money order or cashier's check. Mail the payment to Burleson Municipal Court, 247 Elk Dr., Room 114, Burleson, TX 76028. If the payment is mailed, warrant(s) will remain active until the payment is received and posted.
- Pay by phone at 1-800-444-1187 (must have your Ticket Number and Amount Due). Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express are accepted for payments made by phone only (convenience fee applies)

For more information about outstanding warrants, call the Burleson Municipal Court warrant department at 817-426-9298.