



## **City of McKinney News Release**

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## **The Courts tennis center wins national award** ***USTA names McKinney complex 2012 Featured Facility***

McKINNEY, TEXAS (Sept. 5, 2012) – The USTA recognized The Courts at Gabe Nesbitt Community Park as the 2012 Featured Facility Award winner, the organization’s highest honor. The award recognizes one facility from among all those that meet the criteria for an outstanding facility award. The "featured facility" exemplifies the highest level of excellence in facility design; court construction; court amenities; and other related components such as strong programming and implementation of 10 and Under Tennis.

“McKinney is proud to bring more national recognition to our community. Our city is known for quality of life, due in large part to exemplary parks and open spaces, like our new tennis center,” said Mayor Brian Loughmiller.

In addition, The Courts at Gabe Nesbitt Community Park has been recognized as one of seven winners of the USTA’s 31<sup>st</sup> annual Outstanding Facility Awards Program, recognizing excellence in the construction and/or renovation of tennis facilities throughout the country.

Mayor Loughmiller joined Parks, Recreation and Open Space Director Lemuel Randolph and The Courts General Manager Matt Hanlin during the US Open at the USTA Awards Breakfast during the association’s Semi-annual Meeting in New York on Sept. 3.

The new complex, which opened in February, features a modern 3,500 sq. ft. clubhouse with a wrap-around patio, 11 lit courts including a signature stadium court with a spectator viewing area, and room for special events. The Courts is managed by Lifetime Tennis and offers year-round leagues, lessons and a retail shop.

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**About McKinney**

McKinney, Texas, is unique by nature. As one of the fastest-growing cities in the U.S., McKinney has a current population of more than 136,000. Incorporated in 1848, the city is located 30 miles north of Dallas and is the county seat of Collin County. McKinney offers rolling hills, lush trees, a historic downtown square and unique neighborhoods and developments. The city ranks #2 on the Money Magazine Best Places to Live list. Visit the city's website at [www.mckinneytexas.org](http://www.mckinneytexas.org).