



# News Release

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**City of McKinney News Release**  
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## **McKinney Fire Department earns a GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS® title!** *Thousands learned hands-only CPR during High School Crosstown Showdown game*

McKINNEY, Texas (Nov. 9, 2018) – The McKinney Fire Department and McKinney Independent School District (MISD) teamed up to save lives and set a Guinness World Record title. During tonight's McKinney H.S. versus McKinney Boyd game, MFD provided 'Hands-Only CPR' training. McKinney ISD's new stadium that can hold up to 12,000 people was the perfect spot for the challenge. Special thanks to Baylor Scott & White Medical Center-McKinney and Medical City McKinney for providing help and support during this process.



The official GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS® title is: Most pledges to learn CPR. Before the end of the game, MFD and volunteers gathered 12,128 signatures.



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“Every year, approximately half a million Americans die of cardiac arrest,” said McKinney Fire EMS Chief Charlie Skaggs. “The World Record is fun, but the fact is that the people who learned Hands-only CPR tonight could very well end up saving a life.”

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### **About McKinney**

McKinney, Texas, is unique by nature. As one of the fastest growing cities in America, McKinney has a current population of 180,000. The city was #1 on the list of Best Places to Live in America in 2014, published by *Money Magazine*. Established in 1848, the city is located 30 miles north of Dallas and is the county seat of Collin County. McKinney offers award-winning schools, a vibrant historic downtown, diverse housing options, a robust economy and a uniquely beautiful natural setting, with rolling hills and lush trees. Visit the city's website at [www.mckinneytexas.org](http://www.mckinneytexas.org).

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