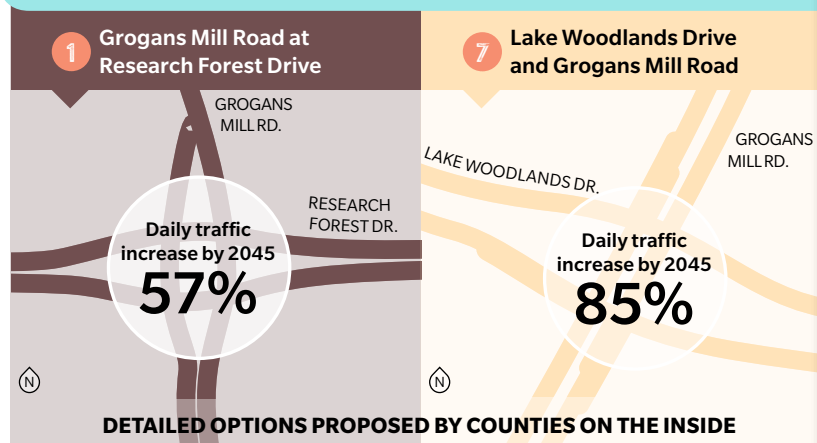
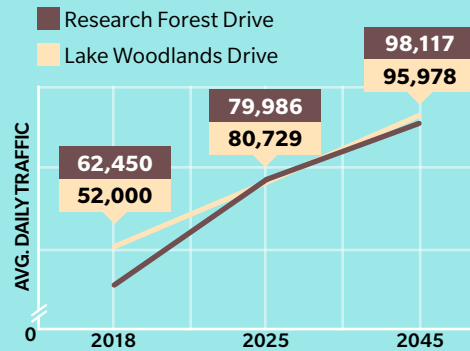


Research Forest Drive underpass on hold

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TRAFFIC ON THE RISE

By 2045, the Houston-Galveston Area Council anticipates the average daily traffic on Grogans Mill Road will more than double at both Research Forest Drive and Lake Woodlands Drive.



SOURCES: HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL, THE WOODLANDS DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, BROWN & GAY ENGINEERS INC., MONTGOMERY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE/COMMUNITY IMPACT NEWSPAPER

ACCIDENT PRONE

The Montgomery County Sheriff's Office identified the following intersections as having the most accidents occur in The Woodlands from Sept. 1, 2017-Aug. 30, 2018.

- 1** Grogans Mill Road at Research Forest Drive: **21 ACCIDENTS**
- 2** Kuykendahl Road at Woodlands Parkway: **20 ACCIDENTS**
- 3** I-45 feeder at Hwy. 242: **20 ACCIDENTS**
- 4** Research Forest Drive at Gosling Road: **19 ACCIDENTS**
- 5** Woodlands Parkway at W. Panther Creek Drive: **17 ACCIDENTS**
- 6** Woodlands Parkway at Gosling Road: **16 ACCIDENTS**
- 7** Lake Woodlands Drive and Grogans Mill Road: **16 ACCIDENTS**
- 8** Woodlands Parkway at Six Pines Drive: **15 ACCIDENTS**
- 9** Achievement Way at College Park Drive: **14 ACCIDENTS**
- 10** Alden Bridge Drive at Research Forest Drive: **10 ACCIDENTS**



The Woodlands targets tree preservation at build-out

As growth continues, local entities look to protect land from overdevelopment, flooding

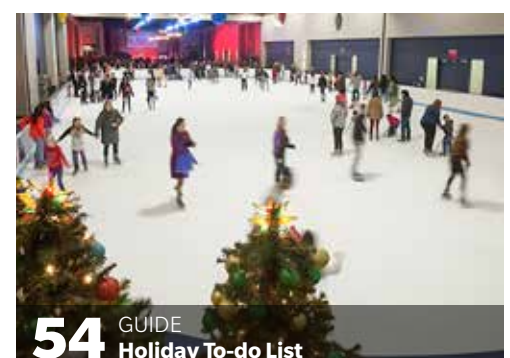
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Founded with George Mitchell's vision of preserving the area's natural forest, The Woodlands is well-known for its large areas of tree coverage sandwiched between two fast-growing counties.

However, as The Woodlands approaches build-out, officials are planning for what green space will look like in the future. At build-out The Woodlands is expected to be comprised of about 28 percent green space, including forest preserve, parks and canopy coverage, according to Robert Heineman, vice president of planning for The Woodlands Development Company. According to recent development company projections, residential build-out is expected by 2022, and only a handful of commercial spaces remain.

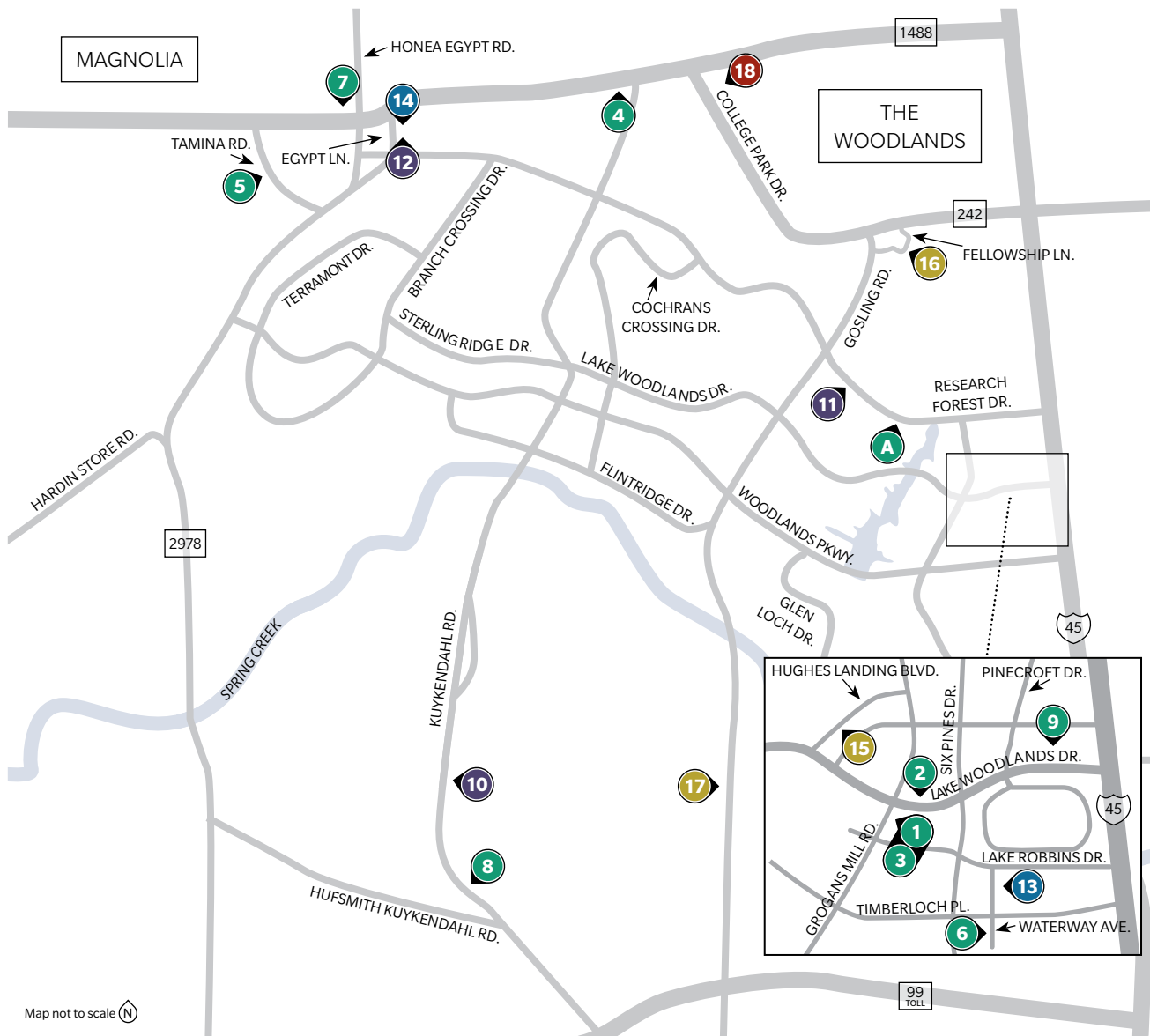


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IMPACTS

Businesses that have recently opened, are coming soon, relocating or expanding.



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NOW OPEN

- 1 Coldwater Creek** opened Oct. 20 in Market Street at 9595 Six Pines Drive, Ste. 690, The Woodlands. The clothing retailer offers women's shoes, accessories and clothing, including pants, dresses, outerwear and loungewear. 832-482-2310. www.coldwatercreek.com
- 2 ULTA Beauty** opened in October as

the newest tenant of Lake Woodlands Crossing Center, located at 1900 Lake Woodlands Drive, The Woodlands. The retailer offers a wide selection of cosmetics, skin care products, hair care supplies, fragrances and gifts. 281-419-7405. www.ulta.com

3 Drybar opened a new 2,331-square-foot location Nov. 8 in Market Street, 9595 Six Pines Drive, Ste. 425, The Woodlands.

The salon features 10 styling chairs and will offer Drybar's full style menu and in-shop services including the classic blowout as well as professional hair-styling products and tools. 877-379-2279. www.thedrybar.com

4 Vottron celebrated its first open house Aug. 28 at 3759 FM 1488, Ste. 475, The Woodlands. The family-owned business offers a variety of after-school robotics and

coding classes geared for children ages 3-17. Vottron also offers a parent's night out twice each month. 832-271-5011. www.vottron.com

5 Brick & Brews hosted its soft opening at the Culinary Courtyard, located at 32907 Tamina Road, Ste. E, Magnolia, on Sept. 28 with plans for a grand opening Dec. 1, owner Jennifer Lobel said. The restaurant serves craft beer, wine and brick-oven pizzas. 858-207-8160. www.brickandbrews.com

6 Blue Door Coffee opened in early November at 21 Waterway Ave., Ste. 110, The Woodlands. The coffee shop offers a variety a freshly brewed iced and hot coffee drinks as well as espresso beverages and hot and seasonal teas. The cafe also serves breakfast and lunch and offers pastries baked on a daily basis. www.bluedoorcoffee.com

7 Raising Cane's opened at 6730 FM 1488, Magnolia, on Sept. 4. The Louisiana-based chicken finger restaurant is best known for its fresh, never frozen chicken, Cane's sauce, french fries, Texas toast, sweet tea and fresh-squeezed lemonade. 281-259-8324. www.raisingcanes.com

8 Express Oil Change & Tire Engineers opened Oct. 24 in Augusta Woods Village at 25460 Kuykendahl Road, Tomball. The center offers oil changes, tire service and mechanical services in addition to other automobile maintenance. 346-298-6656. www.expressoil.com

9 Bassett Home Furnishings opened Nov. 2 at 1310 Lake Woodlands Drive, The Woodlands. The store offers design services and consultations with six interior designers and features in-home design, an HGTV Design Studio, accessories, a clearance center and sleep shop. 281-465-8176. www.bassettfurniture.com

COMING SOON

10 A new location of **Chick-fil-A** is expected to open in late February or early March at the southeast corner of Kuykendahl and Hufsmith roads, according to a public relations representative for the eatery. Chick-fil-A is well-known for its original chicken



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sandwich and waffle fries as well as chicken nuggets, salads, lemonade and milkshakes. www.chick-fil-a.com

11 Mike and Diana Lampkin signed a lease in late September at 4223 Research Forest Drive, Ste. 950, The Woodlands, with plans to open **Rosati's Pizza Pub of The Woodlands** by late December. The pizza pub will offer authentic Italian dishes including thin- and thick-crust pizzas, pastas, calzones, sandwiches, wings, salads and a full bar. With 150 locations nationwide, the locally owned franchise will be the first in the Greater Houston area. The restaurant will offer dine-in and online ordering options. 832-990-8787. www.myrosatis.com/thewoodlands

12 **Zanti Cucina Italiana** will open in spring 2019 in Westgate Crossing, located at 10000 Research Forest Drive near the border of The Woodlands, Magnolia and Conroe. The eatery will offer authentic Italian cuisine for lunch, brunch and dinner, including brick-oven pizzas and handmade pastas, in addition to signature spirits and wines. The restaurant will feature an outdoor patio, bar lounge area, pizza station, dining room and full-service bar, according to the restaurant's website. www.zanticucina.com

EXPANSIONS

13 **VanderDys Fine Jewelers** held a soft opening for its street-level jewelry store Oct. 5 in The Woodlands' Waterway Square, located at 24 Waterway Ave., The Woodlands. The new street-level jewelry store is an expansion of the company's mezzanine-level designer boutique, which opened in May 2017. According to Carolina Ingram, VanderDys Fine Jewelers director of logistics, the state-of-the-art, multilevel store is staffed with more than 60 years of combined experience and offers jewelry and watch repair, ring sizing and resizing, resetting and replacement of stones, pearl restringing, cleaning, engraving, custom designs, and appraisals. 281-204-7603. www.vanderdysjewelers.com

14 **Mosaics of Mercy** expanded its brick-and-mortar location at 33300 Egypt Lane, Ste. K300, Magnolia, by adding additional office space as well as a new art

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and volunteer room. The nonprofit organization focuses on bringing awareness to educate, navigate, cultivate and provide resources for those suffering from mental illness and addiction. www.mosaicsofmercy.com

ANNIVERSARIES

15 **Blo Blow Dry Bar** celebrates its fifth anniversary Nov. 14 at 1925 Hughes Landing Blvd., Ste. 500, The Woodlands. Locally owned by Katie Holditch, the franchise offers a variety of blowout options in addition to makeup services. Appointments can be made online, and walk-ins are welcome. 281-465-8515. www.blomedry.com/locations/blo-the-woodlands/

16 **Woodlands Church**, located at 1 Fellowship Lane, The Woodlands, celebrated its 25th anniversary with a special Sunday service at The Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion Nov. 4. Led by Pastors Kerry and Chris Shook, Woodlands Church was founded in 1993 and has additional campuses in Atascocita and Tomball. Services at The Woodlands campus are held Saturdays at 6 p.m. and Sundays at 9 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. 281-367-1900. www.wc.org

17 **WoodsEdge Community Church**, located at 25333 Gosling Road, Spring, celebrated its 25th anniversary with a festival Nov. 3 and celebration services Nov. 4. The church offers services in the main building on Sundays at 8:15 a.m., 9:45 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. and student services in the student building on Sundays at 9:45 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. 281-364-0415. www.woodsedge.org

CLOSING

18 **Randalls**, located at 9420 College Park Drive, The Woodlands, announced in late October it will close Dec. 1. The grocery chain will continue to operate other locations in the Greater Houston area, including the location on Buckthorne Place in Spring. www.randalls.com

FEATURED IMPACT—COMING SOON



Snooze: an A.M. Eatery announced Oct. 10 it would open a new 4,400-square-foot location at 2415 Research Forest Drive, The Woodlands, in summer 2019. The Denver-based breakfast and brunch restaurant will offer a variety of fare including its famous pineapple upside-down pancakes, unique benedicts and creative morning cocktails, including mimosas and bloody marys. It will be in the former location of Corner Bakery Cafe, which closed July 1. 303-296-6344. www.snoozeeatery.com



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