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## **Free Cold Bottled Water at Tyler Bus Stops**

**Tyler, Texas (May 21, 2018)** – Persons who use Tyler Transit buses can now enjoy a cold bottle of water that will be waiting at several bus stops throughout the Tyler area. The Northeast Texas Public Health District (NET Health) continues its annual partnership with The Worthy Ones, a local nonprofit organization that is dedicated to making a difference one person and one moment at a time.

“With our Texas summers, waiting at a bus stop is a public health issue,” says Nora Schreiber, founder of The Worthy Ones, Inc. “Some people may wait 5 or 10 minutes while some adults and kids may have to wait close to an hour for their bus to arrive.”

Without access to water, persons waiting at the bus stops increase their risk for dehydration and heat stroke. NET Health joins the Tyler Fire Department, the Smith County Fire Marshall’s Office and local EMS agencies for the development of the annual Heat Response Plan.

NET Health is again serving as one of several community partners who are making ripples through our local community, by providing blue and white NET Health coolers that will hold the cold bottles provided by Hope Springs Water. The Worthy Ones also received assistance for this project from Stanley’s Famous Pit BBQ, Morrison Supply Company, Co.Work, Texas Farm Credit, United Health Care and MedicalRecruiting.com.

### **About the Northeast Texas Public Health District (NET Health)**

NET Health serves a vital function through our Departments of Immunizations, Tuberculosis Control, Laboratory Services, Vital Statistics, Public Health Emergency Preparedness, Disease Surveillance, Environmental Health, WIC (Women, Infants and Children) & Community Outreach.

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