

## **Our Community**

Mustang, OK was a small town for much of its history as it was established in the late 1800s. Located 25 minutes Southwest of Oklahoma City, the town became a city 52 years ago and has grown from 2600 people in 1970 to 20,000 people today. Mustang has a small-town feel with big-city benefits. Located in the fastest-growing county in Oklahoma, Mustang continues to maintain its commitment to being a great community to raise a family and be connected. The median age of Mustang residents is 38 years and the median household income is \$81,532.

The heart of Mustang is the school district, which encompasses not only the 12 square miles of Mustang but 72 total square miles in the county. As one of the largest single High School districts in the state, Mustang has plenty of opportunities for students to succeed including aviation, athletics, and performing arts. The new Performance Arts Center has a 1500-seat performance hall and various other spaces utilized by the school and community throughout the year.

Every September Mustang hosts Western Days to celebrate our heritage (the Mustang Methodist Church is at the center of the parade route) and the 4th of July has to be experienced in Mustang. Additionally, less than half a mile north of the church is Wild Horse Park, the third most visited public park in Oklahoma.

Oklahoma City is a vibrant, expansive, and growing city just to the northeast of Mustang. A relatively easy drive can take you downtown in 25 minutes and experience the best of what Oklahoma City has to offer from Bricktown to the Oklahoma City Thunder to the OKC Memorial Museum.

There are three main types of people who choose to live in Mustang. Many people who grew up here decided that this is where they want to raise their family. Mustang has been home and they want it to continue to be. Another group of people are families who choose to live in Mustang for the great schools, the close-knit community, and the short drive to OKC. A third group are those who grew up in Western or Southwestern Oklahoma, but now work in Oklahoma City. While they work in the city, they are looking for that small-town feel (and maybe some acreage as well).

The leaders of Mustang work closely together to make the best future for Mustang. There are positive and intentional relationships between the Mustang Schools, the Mustang City Council, the Mustang Chamber of Commerce, and the Mustang Police and Fire Departments. All those entities work together for the good of the community. Every Tuesday is Positive Posse where these community leaders and others (including church leaders) gather to share about what is going on in the community and how we can work together for Mustang.