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Free Exhibit Highlighting African-American Innovators comes to Fort Bend County in time for Black History Month
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony scheduled for January 8, 2024

FORT BEND COUNTY, TX – Commissioner Dexter L. McCoy, Fort Bend County, Precinct 4 welcomes the Fluor African-American Pioneers Traveling Museum to Fort Bend County for the first time. The public can visit the museum on select days free of charge and learn about the creative contributions of African-Americans in science, technology, engineering, architecture, and math (STEAM).

What: A ribbon cutting ceremony, followed by a tour

Where: Fort Bend County Fair Grounds (4310 TX-36 S – Club Room in Building D, Rosenberg, Texas 77471)

When: 9:15 a.m. on Monday, January 8, 2024

The exhibits are complete with biographical storyboards, along with models of the pioneers' inventions. In addition to the triumphs, the stories include the struggles and discrimination the innovators faced in their fields, highlighting the importance of perseverance. The latest addition to the museum is the *Sky's the Limit – Celebrating Black Aviation* exhibit.

"This is the first time the African-American Pioneers Traveling Museum has come to the Fort Bend County Fairgrounds and we are honored to be a part of it. Everyone should come out and learn how these brilliant African-American minds contributed to the world we live in now. Many of these stories did not make it into the history classes we were taught. Students and adults of all backgrounds will have a great experience that is not traditionally available in this way, so I encourage everyone to take advantage of this opportunity. I guarantee you are going to learn something new here." said McCoy.

Exhibit availability for schools: January 8 – February 27, 2024, weekdays, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. ([register here](#))

Exhibit availability for city and county employees: February 5, 2024, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Exhibit availability for general public: February 6, 2024, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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