



The WSPD is a full service law enforcement agency with 60 total employees serving a resident population of almost 21,000 citizens and daytime business population of 46,000 consisting of defense contractors at Lockheed Martin Aeronautics and military personnel at the Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Fort Worth. The department is one of a handful of law enforcement agencies accredited by the Texas Police Chiefs Association since 2013 and certified as a "We Hire Vets" employer designation by the Texas Workforce Commission and Texas Veterans Commission since 2022. The department also achieved ABLE designation (Active Bystandership for Law Enforcement) as a certified agency since 2023 by the Georgetown Law Center. The agency houses the WEST COMM Dispatch Center and provides dispatching and detention services to several local municipalities and federal agencies.

As the gateway to national defense, White Settlement became the epicenter for supporting the nation's Armed Forces with the construction of a military aircraft production plant during WWII and an Army Airfield that later became an Air Force Base housing a component of the Strategic Air Command during the Cold War era. The town became known as "Liberator Village" during the WWII time frame due to the construction on the B-24 Liberator heavy bomber to help with the war effort. Over the decades, many military aircraft have been built to preserve our country's freedom, including the F-16 Fighting Falcon. Today, the F-35 Lightning II fifth-generation strike fighter stands as a testament to the American resolve and is being constructed right in our hometown.

Our community, ideally situated with access to major highways, affords residents the ability to get anywhere in North Texas to enjoy the many venues and amenities that the region has to offer. The community makeup involves a mixture of housing options, including new construction options for families. The White Settlement I.S.D. is an award-recognized district by the Texas Education Agency.



BADGE AND PATCH HISTORY





The current **WSPD badge** worn by Police Officers in White Settlement was designed in 2023 to represent the western heritage of our hometown. The **wagon** traveling **west** represents the early settlers migrating to the area. The **tepees** represent the **Native American** population that resided in the area who traded with the migrant population. The creek represents **Farmers Branch Creek**, an important watershed for the pioneers. The **chimney smoke** represents a news article from 1849 where soldiers from Fort Worth looked to the west and were comforted when they saw the early settlers. The **State of Texas** and **star** were added to reflect the Lone Star State and geographic location. The **wagon wheel** and **vegetation** at the top of the badge further represents early western culture. The date of **1838** was determined to be the first recorded date of land acquisition by the early pioneers.



2015-2022



1984-2015



1941-1984



The **WSPD patch** was designed in June 1991 to reflect the historical significance of White Settlement. The **Broken Wagon Wheel** represents where the first settlers stopped to make homesteads. The **Indian Headdress** signifies the Seven Indian tribes in the area. **1838** indicates the time period where the early settlers took up roots in the area.

The City of White Settlement is rich in history and tradition. The history of the town dates back to the 1800s, even before the U.S. Army established a military outpost, Fort Worth, to protect the early settlers and pioneers in the area. With seven Indian villages in the general vicinity and only one non-Indian settlement, the early villagers settled in the area known as the white settlement. The town became a trading outpost where peaceful Indians came to rely upon the honesty of the non-Indian settlers and the goods they dealt in. The migrating pioneers from the east found a rich country, carved out homesteads among the Indians, and others called their area, "the white settlement."



1941-1991