

Tucked away in the privacy and protection of the Twin Oaks Landfill is the hidden gem of the Bryan Police Department.

“... it is pretty much everything to us. It is the reason we’re able to have an entire police academy and run the academy on our own instead of relying on another facility to train our cadets for us.”

This is crucial because...

“That has given us the freedom to teach these cadets from start to finish how we want them to be, and prepare them for our police department.”

Included at the Twin Oaks Training Facility...

“We have a good 2-mile road that we get to have these cadets run down. We’re currently building an obstacle course, which will be huge for these cadets. Suspects run and jump over fences, so allowing them to practice those skills, to get those skills up to continue to chase suspects and fight through whatever they’re feeling physically.”

Both the Bryan and College Station Police Departments will have access to the obstacle course...

Both departments also have access to their own classrooms located at the front of the facility.

“The classroom environment, where we’re able to sterilize them and separate them from the Police Department, where they can focus on learning, where they’re on their own. They get an opportunity to bond with each other. They get an opportunity to learn with each other.”

And last but certainly not least...

“When we get out into the firearms range, that’s huge for us. We do a lot of firearms training. We want them to be as safe as possible with their firearms and be as accurate as possible when they do fire their weapons. Having that facility is huge...”

The Bryan and College Station Police Departments each have their own separate range...

“We’re able to push our own vehicles out on the range. We can teach them stuff that we wouldn’t really be able to do at other ranges. We keep everything safe, but we’re able to make a little bit more of a mess and clean up that mess afterwards. It’s all ours and they get that training they absolutely need.”

Plus...

“We’re able to do stuff at night and not disturb other people because we are way out there, secluded on our own.”

And every once in a while, the cadets get to take a tour of the landfill...

“Every now and then, we’ll take them on good, long runs around the Twin Oaks facility. We take them up the huge hills that the equipment makes and really wear them out.”

The Twin Oaks Landfill is proud to support our first responders.

“The biggest plus that we get from Twin Oaks is the freedom to train these cadets the way we really need them to be trained.”