



**The Texas County Walkers
2022 Fannin County Walks
10 km and 5 km Walks
BONHAM, TEXAS**



Fannin County is named for James Fannin, a victim of the Goliad massacre. Bonham dates to 1837 when Bailey English built a 2-story blockhouse named "Fort English". The original settlement was named "Bois d'Arc", became "Bloomington" and was finally named for James Bonham who died at the Alamo. The Courthouse was built in 1889 and has recently been restored.

Bonham was the site of Confederate General Gerard McCulloch's military headquarters. After the war, the town began to grow with the arrival of the Texas Pacific Railway in 1873. WPA and CCC projects during the depression include Bonham State Park. Jones Airfield was used for pilot training in WWII and a German prisoner of war camp was nearby.

Notable people who were born in or near Bonham include Baseball Hall of Famer Joe Morgan; Joe Melson, songwriter for Roy Orbison; early swing and jazz guitarist Charlie Christian; and notorious outlaw John Wesley Hardin. Sam Rayburn represented the district which includes Fannin County and went on to become the longest serving U.S. Speaker of the House.

The walk(s) include Fort English, the Sam Rayburn Museum, Powder Creek Park, the County Courthouse, a public library, a small cemetery, churches, and schools.

Walk Completion and Credit:

When you finish your walk(s), be sure to log back in to the OSB System and enter your participation date, distances, and Special Programs (if applicable).

Start Point Address and Driving Directions:

Fannin County Courthouse, 101 E. Sam Rayburn Dr., Bonham 75418. From TX-121, continue east on TX-56 / Sam Rayburn Dr. to the Courthouse on your left.

Restrooms and Parking:

Park in front of the Courthouse on Sam Rayburn Drive. There are 2 gas stations 2 blocks east of the Courthouse and a Taco Bell 1 block west of the Courthouse, all on Sam Rayburn Drive.

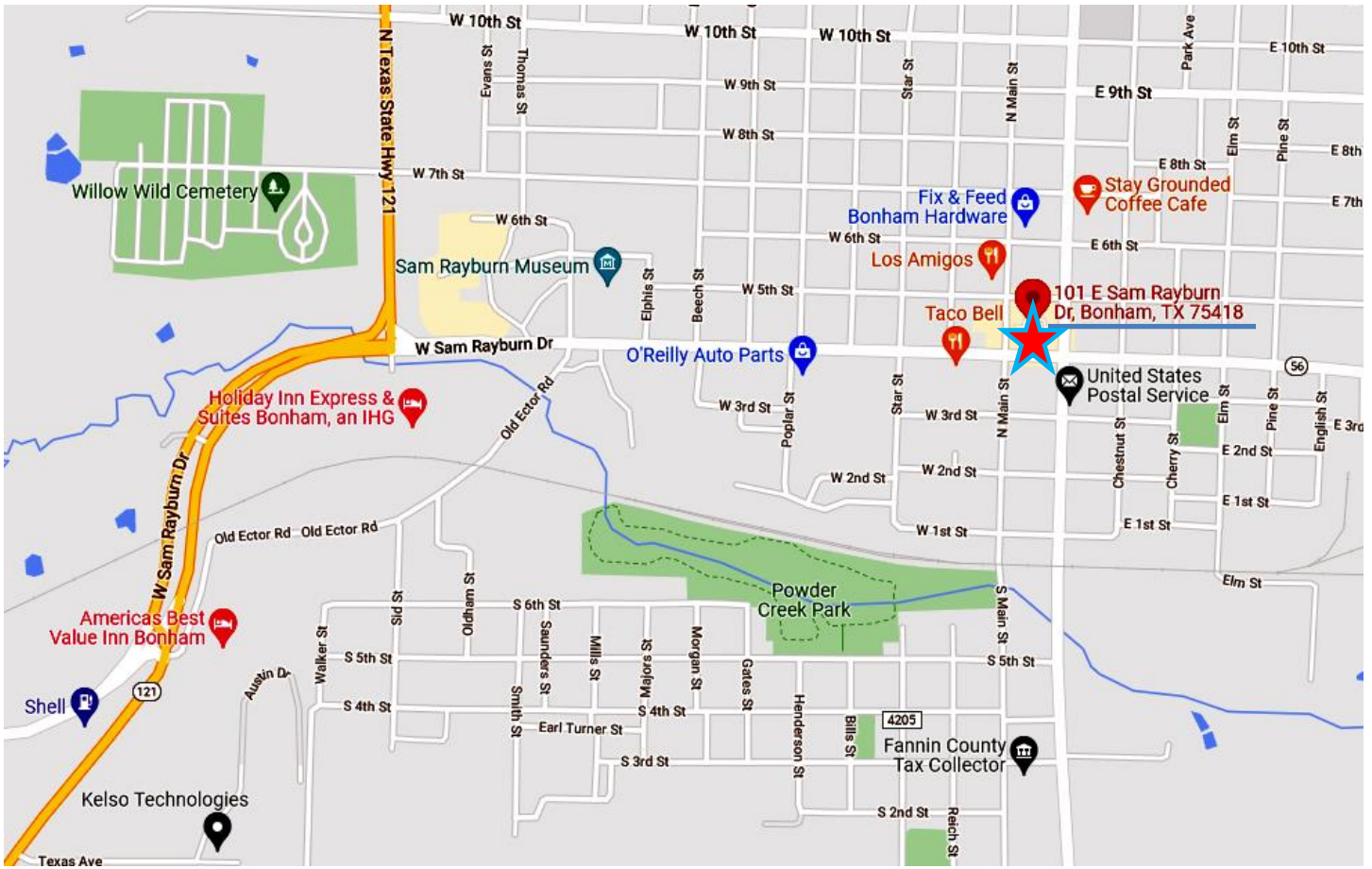
Special Programs:

- Rockin' Around The Clock
- Town Halls / City Halls
- Walking With America's Veterans

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BONHAM START POINT LOCATION

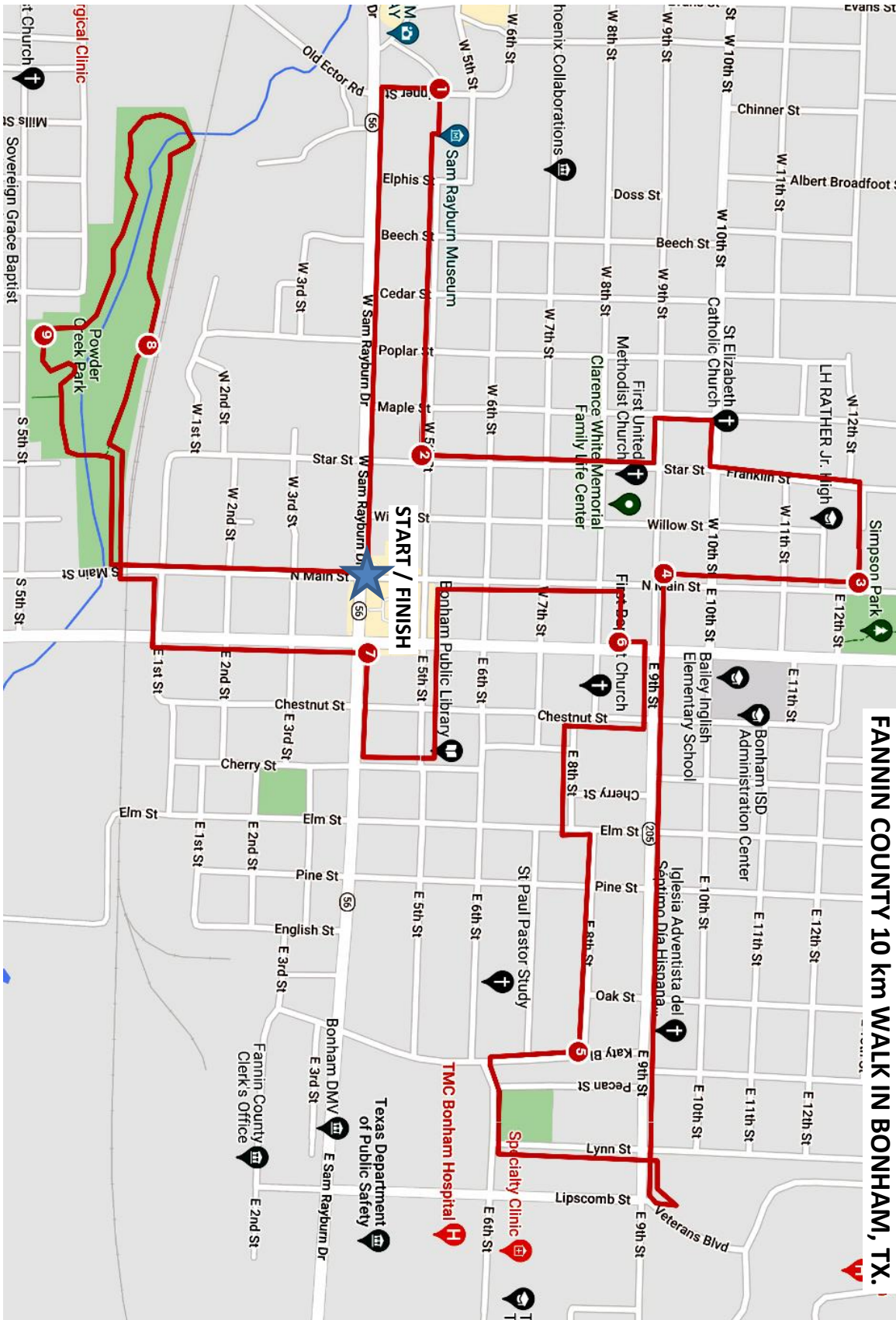


TEXAS COUNTY WALKERS – 2022 FANNIN COUNTY 10 km WALK in BONHAM, TX.

Fannin County Courthouse, 101 E. Sam Rayburn Dr., Bonham 75418. From TX-121, continue east on TX-56 / Sam Rayburn Dr. to the Courthouse on your left and park.

10 KM INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Facing the Courthouse, LEFT** on Sam Rayburn for 9 blocks to Chinner St. and Fort English Historic site.
2. **RIGHT** on Chinner to just past the Fort.
3. **RIGHT** on the path through the trees.
4. **CONTINUE** to the front of the Sam Rayburn Museum and Library (**open Mon. – Fri. 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., admission is free**).
5. **CONTINUE** past the Museum to Elphis S
6. **CROSS Elphis St. and CONTINUE** on 5th Street for 5 blocks to Star St.
7. **LEFT** on Star 4 blocks to 9th St.
8. **LEFT** on 9th 1 block to Maple.
9. **RIGHT** on Maple 1 block to 10th St passing the St Elizabeth Catholic Church.
10. **RIGHT** on 10th 1 block to Star Street.
11. **LEFT** at Star (becomes Franklin) for 2 blocks to 12th St (behind school).
12. **RIGHT** through the school grounds to the front of the school gymnasium (**note plaque indicating school and gym were built by the Public Works Administration**).
13. **CONTINUE** through the grounds to Main Street.
14. **RIGHT** on Main St 2 ½ blocks to 9th St. (**watch for historic marker at corner of Main and 10th St.**)
15. **LEFT** on 9th St about 1 mile to Veterans Blvd.
16. **LEFT** on Veterans Blvd. to visit Kathy, the helicopter.
17. **U-TURN** back to 9th St.
18. **RIGHT** on 9th for 1 block to Lynn Street.
19. **LEFT** on Lynn for 1 long block to the Bailey English Cemetery on the **RIGHT**.
20. **CIRCLE inside** the cemetery and return to Lynn St.
21. **RIGHT** on Lynn St. for ½ block to 6th St.
22. **RIGHT** on 6th for 2 blocks to Katy Blvd (no sign).
23. **RIGHT** on Katy for 2 blocks to 8th Street.
24. **LEFT** on 8th St. for 3 blocks to Elm Street.
25. **LEFT** on Elm for ½ block to 8th Street.
26. **RIGHT** on 8th St. to Chestnut Street.
27. **RIGHT** on Chestnut for 2 blocks to 9th Street
28. **LEFT** on 9th St. for 1 block to Center Street.
29. **CROSS and LEFT** on Center St for 1 block to 8th Street (**note the garden beside the First Presbyterian Church**).
30. **RIGHT** on 8th for 1 block to Main St.
31. **LEFT** on Main for 3 blocks to 5th St.
32. **LEFT** on 5th St. for 3 blocks to Cherry St., passing the Fannin County Courthouse, the historic square and the Police Department at Chestnut St.
33. **RIGHT** on Cherry St. for 1 block to Sam Rayburn Dr.
34. **RIGHT** on Sam Rayburn for 2 blocks TX-78.
35. **LEFT** on TX-78 for 3 blocks, passing the Post Office, to 1st St.
36. **RIGHT** on 1st St for 1 block to Main St., passing the Fannin County Museum of History (**hours: Tue. – Sat., Noon – 4:00 p.m.**).
37. **LEFT** on Main St., past the historical marker and Museum.
38. Just after crossing the railroad tracks and before you reach the bridge **CROSS** Main to the **RIGHT** and parallel the tracks into Powder Creek Park.
39. **RIGHT** into the park and continue to parking lot.
40. **LEFT** crossing a bridge to the walking path.
41. **RIGHT** on the path circling the park and returning to the parking lot.
42. **Turn RIGHT**, back to Main St.
43. **LEFT** on Main St. for 4 blocks to **FINISH** at the Courthouse.



FANNIN COUNTY 10 km WALK IN BONHAM, TX.

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5 KM INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Facing the Courthouse, LEFT** on Sam Rayburn for 9 blocks to Chinner St. and Fort Inghish Historic site.
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9. **RIGHT** on Maple 1 block to 10th St passing the St Elizabeth Catholic Church.
10. **RIGHT** on 10th 1 block to Star Street.
11. **LEFT** on Star (becomes Franklin) for 1 block to 11th Street.
12. **RIGHT** on 11th for 2 blocks to Main Street.
13. **RIGHT** on Main for 2 blocks to 9th Street.
14. **LEFT** on 9th St. for 1 block to Center Street.
15. **RIGHT** on Center for ½ block to the gardens beside the First Presbyterian Church.
16. **TURN RIGHT** through the gardens 1 block to Main Street.
17. **LEFT** on Main for 3 ½ blocks to 5th Street
18. **LEFT** on 5th St. for 3 blocks to Cherry St. passing the Fannin County Courthouse, the historic square and the Police Department at Chestnut Street.
19. **RIGHT** on Cherry for 1 block to Sam Rayburn Drive.
20. **RIGHT** on Sam Rayburn for 2 blocks to TX-78.
21. **LEFT** on TX-78 for 3 blocks to 1st Street.
22. **RIGHT** on 1st St for 1 block to Main St.
23. **LEFT** on Main, past the historical marker to the Fannin County Museum of History (**hours: Tue. – Sat., Noon – 4:00 p.m.**).
24. **REVERSE (RIGHT)** on Main St. for 3 blocks to **FINISH** at the Courthouse.

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