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TCSA's Quarterly e-Newsletter

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Greetings,

If you have not yet registered for the 23rd Annual TCSA Conference in San Antonio, Texas, it is not too late to get those registrations in. Our hosting county and TCSA board are excited about this upcoming conference. Our conference will begin on Sunday, October 28th-Wednesday, October 31st at the beautiful Embassy Suites by Hilton San Antonio Brooks Hotel, please see registration forms for further details. To make your room reservation, contact the hotel directly and refer to the group (Texas Community Service Association or group code TCSA). Your room will be guaranteed at the rate of \$124 per night as long as it's reserved by October 14, 2018, and includes complimentary breakfast, and parking.

The Texas Juvenile Justice Department (TJJD) has approved this conference for a total of 16.25 certification hours and 4.75 management hours. The recommended total amount of hours for TCLEOSE and CSCD hours are to be approved by the respective Department Head. TCLEOSE officers must provide their TCLEOSE-issued personal identification number and sign in every day to receive credit.

We are excited to be back in San Antonio, Texas for the 23rd Annual TCSA Conference. Please see Agenda and registration information in attached newsletter. Those registered for the conference are encouraged to bring a door prize representing their respective county. A few years ago, TCSA started a Silent Auction, and this is something we would like to continue to build on. If you would like to bring an item for auction, you are welcome to bring this as well. TCSA appreciates all the continued support our members have given us over the years. We thank you very much and look forward to seeing each of you next month.

Please visit our Texas Community Service Association group page on Facebook or you can visit our website at www.texascommunityservice.com.

Respectfully,

Brenda Garcia

TCSA President

"Integrity is not something you show others. It is how you behave behind their back."

Texas Community Service Association

2018 Annual Conference

Embassy Suites by Hilton San Antonio Brooks Hotel & Spa, 7610 S. New Braunfels,
San Antonio, Texas 78235 (210) 534-1000

Meeting the Needs of Today's Clients

AGENDA

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2018

4:00 pm to 6:00 pm **Registration**
Foyer

5:30 pm to 7:30 pm **Reception**
Courtyard

MONDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2018

7:30 am to 8:00 am **Registration**
Foyer

8:00 am to 8:30 am **Posting the Colors & Pledge of Allegiance**
San Juan
Invocation
Greetings & Introduction of TCSA Board of Directors & Guests
Brenda Garcia, TCSA Board President

8:30 am to 9:00 am **Welcome to San Antonio**
San Juan
Leo Gomez, President & CEO
Brooks Development Authority

9:00 am to 9:10 am **Chiefs Welcome**
San Juan
Jarvis Anderson, CPO
Bexar County Community Supervision & Corrections Department
Lynne Wilkerson, CPO
Bexar County Juvenile Probation Department

9:10 am to 10:00 am **Keynote Address: Unique Challenges to Texas's Juvenile & Criminal Justice Systems**
San Juan
Brett Merfish, Director of Youth Justice
Mary Mergler, Director of Criminal Justice Project
Texas Appleseed

10:00 am to 10:15 am **Break**

10:15 am to 12 pm **GENERAL SESSION**

10:15 to 12 noon **Racial Identity and Consciousness as a Criminal Justice Leader**

San Juan *Jacinto Ramos, CSR Supervisor*
Tarrant County Juvenile Probation Department

12:00 pm to 1:00 pm **Lunch on Your Own**

1:00 pm to 4:15 pm **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

1:00 pm to 2:00 pm **Around the State – Adult Programs**
Concepcion *Cecilia Macumba (Facilitator)*
Bexar County CSCD

San Juan **Around the State – Juvenile Programs**
Lillian Byas (Facilitator)
Bexar County Juvenile Probation Department

2:00 pm to 2:15 pm **Break**

2:15 pm to 3:15 pm **The Young Generation and Substance Abuse**
San Juan *Gilbert Hernandez, Counselor*
Tanya Jopling, Coordinator for Substance Abuse Services & Program Development
Bexar County Juvenile Probation Department

Concepcion **Communication Without Words**
Mark Herrera, Manager West Unit
Veronica Zavala-Holder, Manager for the Mentally Impaired Offender Facility
Bexar County CSCD

3:15 pm to 4:15 pm **Officer Safety**
San Juan *Albert Castanola, Assistant Supervisor – Gang Unit*
Bexar County Juvenile Probation Department

Concepcion **Staff Safety**
Doug Bonilla, Field Operations Unit Supervisor
Michael Cepeda, Gang/ISP Unit Supervisor
Bexar County CSCD

4:15 pm to 5:00 pm **GENERAL SESSION**

4:15 pm to 5:00 pm **Texas Ramp Project**
San Juan *John Laine, Executive Director*

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2018

7:30 am to 8:00 am **Registration**
Foyer

8:00 am to 12:00 pm **GENERAL SESSIONS**

8:00 am to 9:30 am **Leaders: Many Communicate But Few Connect – Understand the Power of You**
San Juan *Patricia Ann Vasquez, President & Co-Founder*
Star Force USA

9:30 am to 10:30 am
San Juan **Stop Banging Your Head: A Performance Improvement Strategy**
John Kinsey, Trainer
Texas Juvenile Justice Department

10:30 am to 10:45 am **Break**

10:45 am to 12:00 pm
San Juan **Gender & Sexual Harassment in the Workplace**
Phillip A. McKinney, Owner/Partner
Phillip A. McKinney & Associates, PLLC

12:00 pm to 1:00 pm **Lunch on Your Own**

1:00 pm to 3:00 pm **GENERAL SESSIONS**

1:00 pm to 2:00 pm
San Juan **Community Corrections Service Learning: Exposing Future Criminal Justice Practitioners to the Service Side of Community Corrections**
Dr. Doshie Piper, Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice
University of the Incarnate Word

2:00 pm to 3:00 pm
San Juan **“Rex Non Potest Peccare”: Governmental Immunities and Liabilities in CSR Programs**
Erin Barry, Staff Attorney
Bexar County Juvenile Probation Department

3:00 pm to 3:15 pm **Break**

3:15 pm to 4:15 pm **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

3:15 pm to 4:15 pm
San Juan **The Shift from the Traditional Gang to the Modern Era Gang; an Emerging Dilemma for Law Enforcement**
Jesse J. Allen, Detective
San Antonio Police Department

Concepcion **LGBT Youth in the Juvenile Probation System**
Rev. Naomi Brown, Professional Development & Training Manager
PRIDE Center San Antonio

4:15 pm to 5:00 pm **GENERAL SESSION**

4:15 pm to 5:00 pm
San Juan **100 Black Men of San Antonio, Inc.**
Dr. Milton Harris, Executive Director

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2018

7:30 am to 8:30 am
San Juan **General Membership Meeting**
Nominations and Elections of New Board Members
2019 Conference Location
Financial Audit Report
Chairperson: Clint Emerson, TCSA Board Member

8:30 am to 10:00 am **GENERAL SESSION**

8:30 am to 10:00 am **Medical Indicators of Juvenile Sex Trafficking**
San Juan *Lora Spiller, M.D.*
Center for Miracles – Christus Health

10:00 am to 10:15 am **Break**

10:15 am to 12:00 pm **Reconvene General Membership Session**
San Juan **Read Results of Board Election**

12:00 p.m. **Closing/Certificates/ Retiring the Colors**
San Juan

12:30 p.m. 2:00 p.m. **2018-2019 TCSA Board Meeting**
The Jenny

APPROVED CERTIFICATION HOURS: 16.25

APPROVED MANAGEMENT HOURS: 4.75

Agenda Also available at the following link: [TCSA CONFERENCE AGENDA 2018](#)



The Texas Community Service Association (TCSA) is a recognized 501 (c) (6) non-profit organization in the State of Texas. It principally exists to enhance the business conditions of professionals and other individuals involved in the development and administration of community service restitution programs. Special emphasis is placed on those programs and individuals involved with Community Supervision & Corrections Departments and Juvenile Probation Departments.

*A very special 'THANK YOU' to some of
our sponsors*



Texas Community Service Association

2018 Conference Vendor Registration Form

23rd Annual Texas Community Service Association

www.texascommunityservice.com

Make All Checks Payable to: Texas Community Service Association

The TCSA Vendor registration fee for the 2018 conference in San Antonio, TX is \$100.00.

This will cover 2 full days (Oct. 29th and 30th)

Mail to the following:

33rd & 424th Judicial ISF

Attn: Lonnie Rogers, TCSA Treasurer

501 Coke ST. Burnett, Texas 78611

Phone: (512) 588-0658

E-Mail: csrcoord@burnetcountytexas.org

Host Hotel Information:

Embassy Suites by Hilton San Antonio Brooks Hotel &Spa

7610 S. New Braunfels

San Antonio, TX 78235

(210) 534-1000

To make a room reservation, call the hotel directly at **(210) 534-1000** and refer to the group under the name **Texas Community Service Association** with **Group Code TCS** to make your reservation.

TCSA Registration Form October 28th- 31st, 2018

Vendor Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

All vendors will have one table available with table cover. You are welcome to bring your own set up, brochures, give away items, etc. Check in will be on Sunday, October 28th at registration. If you are interested in becoming a TCSA member, please contact Lonnie Rogers. You are welcome to bring a door prize or auction item. Please visit our website for additional details.

<http://www.texascommunityservice.com/homepage.html>

2018 Conference Registration Form

23rd Annual Texas Community Service Association

www.texascommunityservice.com

- Registration fee for the 2018 conference in San Antonio, is \$125.00 (include one year membership)
- If you are unable to attend conference to renew your one year membership is \$25.00

Conference dates are:
October 28, 29, 30 & 31, 2018

Make All Checks Payable to: TEXAS COMMUNITY SERVICE ASSOCIATION

Mail Conference registration forms and fees by October 15, 2018 to:

33rd & 424th Judicial ISF
Attn: Lonnie Rogers, TCSA Treasurer
501 Coke St.
Burnet, Texas 78611
Phone: (512) 756-7628
E-mail: csrcoord@burnetcountytexas.org

If possible, please bring a Local Food Pantry Donation as we will be making a contribution of non-perishable items to a charitable non-profit organization.

Host Hotel Information
Embassy Suites by Hilton San Antonio Brooks Hotel
7610 S. New Braunfels
San Antonio, TX 78235

To make a room reservation, call the hotel directly at 1-210-534-1000 and refer to the group Texas Community Service Association or group code **TCS**. The government room rate is \$124 per night, plus 16.75% city and state taxes (\$ 144.77). The room rate includes complimentary full breakfast, parking, WiFi, mini-refrigerator and microwave. The hotel will reserve rooms up to October 14, 2018 Room availability cannot be guaranteed after October 14, 2018.

TCSA Conference Registration Form October 28th – 31st 2018

NAME: _____

AGENCY: _____

JOB TITLE: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

FAX: _____

EMAIL: _____



School Safety Tips

- **Be on the lookout for school zone signals and ALWAYS obey the speed limits**
- **When entering a school zone, be sure to slow down and obey all traffic laws**
- **Always stop for school busses that are loading or unloading children**
- **Watch out for school crossing guards and obey their signals**
- **Be aware and watch out for children near schools, bus stops, sidewalks, in the streets, in the school parking lot, etc.**
- **Never pass other vehicles while driving in a school zone**
- **Never change lanes while driving in a school zone**
- **Never make U-Turns while driving in a school zone**
- **Never text while driving in a school zone**
- **Avoid using a cell phone**
- **Unless licensed to do so, never use handicap or emergency vehicle lanes or spaces to drop off or pick up children at school**

<https://www.adt.com/resources/back-to-school-safety>

Community Service Events around Texas

TCSA members Lee Fields and Antonia Hill had the children re-paint the lines, doors, basketball goals, and hand rails at the Taylor County Juvenile Detention Center for Community Service. Great Job!



Texas Ramp Project

Youth from El Paso County Juvenile Justice Center assisted The Texas Ramp Project and the Rotary Club in building a wheelchair ramp for a needy family in the Fabens, TX. 79838

Along with approximately 20 volunteers youth assisted with the construction of the ramp along with the cleaning of the lot. Youth received a total of 3 credit hours.



The Texas Ramp Project builds wheelchair ramps for disabled or elderly people who can't afford to buy one. In a few hours on a Saturday morning, folks are given the freedom to leave their home again-the home where they want to remain but whose steps have imprisoned them.

Texas Ramp Project is a volunteer-staffed, 501(c)(3) non-profit, non-denominational, non-governmental organization

They can be reached at: 214-675-1230

Email: info@texasramps.org

Website: <http://www.texasramps.org/>

Facebook: [facebook.com/TexasRamps](https://www.facebook.com/TexasRamps)

Bexar County, El Paso, Smith County, Victoria County, and several other counties within the state of Texas work with the Texas Ramp Project.



Story Contributed By: Israel Tena, TCSA Vice-President



**23rd Annual Texas Community Service Association Conference
October 28 - 31, 2018**

**Embassy Suites by Hilton San Antonio Brooks Hotel
7610 S New Braunfels Avenue
San Antonio, TX 78235
Conference Registration is \$125.**

This training is specifically tailored for:

- CSCD Employees
- Juvenile Probation Departments
- Parole Services Employees
- Educators
- Law Enforcement
- Anyone working in the non-profit arena
- Anyone interested or involved in community service

For more information or to register please contact:
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