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## Conference Update

Greetings,

If you have not registered for the 2015 20<sup>th</sup> Annual TCSA Conference in Fredericksburg, it is not too late to do so. Our registrations are looking good so far and we want them to keep coming! Our conference will begin on Sunday, November 8th and conclude on Wednesday, November 11th.

The TCSA board is very excited about the membership change to our TCSA By-laws. By expanding our eligible membership criteria, we expect to see new members. In addition to Community Services Corrections Departments (CSCDs) and Probation Departments, we expect to see more attendees from Parole Services, Law Enforcement, Non-Profits, and Independent School Districts.

Keep in mind, the deadline to submit registrations is October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015 and the deadline to reserve your room is October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at the Inn on Baron's Creek Hotel. We will have a layover hotel at the Fredericksburg Inn & Suites.

The Texas Juvenile Justice Department (TJJD) has approved this conference for a total of 18.5 hours, i.e., 15.25 certification hours and 3.25 management hours. The recommended total amount of hours for TCLEOSE and Community Supervision & Corrections Departments is 18.5 hours. 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.

For those of you who are attending the conference, be sure to bring your business cards and project ideas to be shared with others. Also, don't forget to bring a canned good item to be donated to a local food pantry of Fredericksburg.

We would like to continue to see each member bring a door prize representing their county or department. The TCSA organization will draw for door prizes throughout the conference.

More conference information is contained in this newsletter. This includes the Registration form as well as the Agenda. For additional TCSA conference information, please go to our website: [www.texascommunityservice.com](http://www.texascommunityservice.com) ■

# 2015 Conference Registration Form

## Texas Community Service Association

### 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference

[WWW.TEXASCOMMUNITYSERVICE.COM](http://WWW.TEXASCOMMUNITYSERVICE.COM)

The registration fee for the 2015 conference in Fredericksburg is **\$125.00**.

*18.5 Total Hours Approved by TJJJ (15.25 certification hours & 3.25 management hours)*

*18.5 Total Hours Recommended for TCLEOSE & CSCD*

Conference dates are:

**November 8, 9, 10, & 11, 2015**

**Make All Checks Payable to: TEXAS COMMUNITY SERVICE ASSOCIATION**

CS Mail Conference registration forms and fees by **October 15, 2015** to:

Caldwell County CSCD

Attn: Edward Delgado, TCSA Treasurer

401 E. Market Street

Lockhart, Texas 78644

Phone: (512) 398-7151 Fax: (512) 398-6639 E-mail: [Edward@caldwellcscd.org](mailto:Edward@caldwellcscd.org)

If you fax or e-mail your registration information, follow up with your payment to the address above.

*If possible, please bring a canned food item(s) as we will be making a contribution of non-perishable items to a local food bank.*

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#### Host Hotel Information

Inn on Baron's Creek Hotel

308 S. Washington St.

Fredericksburg, Texas 78624

(866) 990-0202

[www.innonbaronscreek.com](http://www.innonbaronscreek.com)

To make a room reservation telephone the hotel directly. Let the hotel employee know that you are requesting a room from the room block that is set aside for the **Texas Community Service Association**. The government room rate is \$85 per night, plus 13% local and state taxes (\$96.05). Porter service is \$4 per bag, round trip. The room rate includes complimentary full breakfast bar, parking and WiFi. Mini-refrigerator and microwave is also included in each room. The hotel will reserve rooms up to **October 9, 2015**. Room availability cannot be guaranteed after October 9th.

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#### TCSA Conference Registration Form

November 8, 9, 10, & 11, 2015

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

AGENCY: \_\_\_\_\_ JOB TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY/STATE/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

# THREADS FOR TEENS

*Submitted by Israel Tena, El Paso JPD*

“**THREADS FOR TEENS**”, came to the El Paso Juvenile Probation Department on August 11, 2015. Over ninety teen girls benefited from this Girl Teen Movement.

Thanks to Allyson Ahlstrom founder of this great movement; she along with her mother, younger sister and grandfather tour the country and give out Free name brand wardrobe to teen girls in need. In addition, workshops are conducted on proper social skills, etiquette, makeup, and motivational speeches.

El Paso has been fortunate to host this Threads for Teens event for the last three years. ■

*To learn more about this non-profit, please go to <http://threadsforteens.org/>*



*The Texas Community Service Association (TCSA) is a recognized 501 (c) (6) non-profit organization in the State of Texas. It 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.*

# Texas Community Service Association

## 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference AGENDA

### Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015

5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
Inn on Barons Creek Foyer

Registration

6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Inn on Barons Creek  
Courtyard/pool

Reception

### Monday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015

7:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.  
Inn on Barons Creek  
The Walch Haus Conference Center

Registration

8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.  
Inn on Barons Creek

**Posting the Colors & Pledge of Allegiance**  
*Fredericksburg High School ROTC*

**Invocation**

*Bobbie Vitek, Pastor for Holy Ghost Lutheran Church*

The Walch Haus Conference Center

**Greetings & Introduction of TCSA Board of Directors & Guests**  
*Brenda Garcia, TCSA Board President*

8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.  
Inn on Barons Creek  
The Walch Haus Conference Center

**Welcome to Fredericksburg**  
*Mayor Linda Langerhans*  
*City of Fredericksburg*

9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.  
Inn on Barons Creek  
The Walch Haus Conference Center

**Keynote Address- A Judge's Perspective on Community Service**  
*Judge Stephen B. Ables*  
*Presiding Judge of the Sixth Judicial Administrative Region of Texas*

9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.  
Inn on Barons Creek  
The Walch Haus Conference Center

**Feature Presentation**  
*History of Fredericksburg: How Community Service Evolved*  
*Dr. James Linnley-President of Historical Society*  
*Domingo Sanchez, CSR Director for CSCD and Juvenile*

10:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Break

10:15 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.  
Inn on Barons Creek  
The Walch Haus Conference Center

**Legal Liabilities and its effect on Community Service**  
*Christopher G. Nevins, County Attorney*  
*Gillespie County Attorney*

12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Lunch on Your Own

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1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

A

**Community Corrections: Intermediate Sanction Facility**

*Glen Gilmore-Facility Director*

B

**Service Learning: Juvenile Probation**

*Pete Gonzales, Bexar County CSR Supervisor*

2:30 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.

**Break**

2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**The Children's Alliance of South Texas:**

**How Community Service can help a Child Advocacy Center**

*Mikey Betancourt, Executive Director*

3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Mental Health Issues: How it can Impact Community Service**

*Jeannie Von Stultz, PhD*

*Bexar County Juvenile Probation Department*

## **Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

7:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.

**Inn on Barons Creek**

**The Walch Haus Conference Center**

**Registration**

8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

**Inn on Barons Creek**

**The Walch Haus Conference Center**

**Elimination of Disproportionality and Disparities**

*Sheila Dismuke-Williams, MSW*

*Lead Equity Specialist, Region 8*

*Texas Health & Human Services Commission Center*

9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

**Inn on Barons Creek**

**The Walch Haus Conference Center**

**ANE and CSR – What you Need to Know???**

*Conrad Jones, Abuse, Neglect, & Exploitation Investigator*

*Texas Juvenile Justice Department*

10:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

**Break**

10:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

**Inn on Barons Creek**

**The Walch Haus Conference Center**

**Respect Me Don't Sext Me: How Social Media can Impact**

**Community Service Worksites**

*Debbie Cook, Sex Offender Juvenile Probation Officer*

*Wise County Juvenile Probation Department*

12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

**Barons Creek Conference Center**

**Fredericksburg Inn & Suites**

**Luncheon (Meal Provided by TCSA)**

**It takes a Village: Collaboration in Human Trafficking**

**What to look for in your Community?**

*Kirsta Melton, Assistant Attorney General*

*Attorney General's Office*

2:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

**Inn on Barons Creek**

**The Walch Haus Conference Center**

**Verbal De-Escalation for CSR Professionals**

*Terrance Stanton, Bexar County Trainer*

*Bexar County Juvenile Probation Department*

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3:45 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Inn on Barons Creek  
The Walch Haus Conference Center

**Break**

4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Networking: Adult Programs**  
*Domingo Sanchez, CSR Director for CSCD and Juvenile  
Gillespie County*  
*John Willome- Director of Good Samaritan  
Gillespie County*  
*Sara Allerkamp- Founder of Good Samaritan  
Gillespie County*

4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Networking: Juvenile Programs**  
*Lydia Villamil, Tarrant County Juvenile Probation Department*  
*Deanna Madrid, Tarrant County Juvenile Probation Department*

**Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.  
Inn on Barons Creek

**Reconvene General Membership Session**  
*Read Results of Board Election*

9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

**Community Resources: Collaboration with your department  
and Community Partners. How to build a strong foundation?**  
*Israel Tena, El Paso Juvenile Probation Department*

11:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

**Break**

11:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.  
Inn on Barons Creek  
The Walch Haus Conference Center

**Closing/Certificates/Retiring the Colors**  
*Adm Chester W. Nimitz Room*

11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.  
Inn on Barons Creek  
The Walch Haus Conference Center

**Reconvene General Membership Session**  
*Read Results of Board Election*  
**Nominations and Elections of New Board Members**  
**2016 Conference Location**  
**Financial Audit Report**  
**Chairperson: Israel Tena, El Paso Juvenile Probation**  
**TCSA Board Members**

Any information you would like for us to include in the next newsletter?

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## FRIENDS FUR-EVER

*Submitted by Pete Gonzales, Bexar County JPD*

Bexar County Juvenile Probation's "Friends Fur-Ever" Service Learning Project took place from June 15th to July 6th. This project is new to the JPD's service learning menu. It focuses on an introduction to pet care and grooming. Emphasis is placed on enhancing the knowledge base of participant youth as it relates to animal care, the pet community, and pet needs.

Project youth met at the Converse Animal Shelter in northeast Bexar County. Youth ranged in age from 14 to 17. Both court-ordered probation and deferred prosecution youth participated. ■

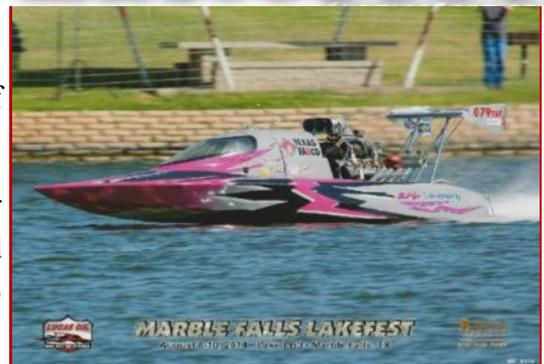


## Marble Falls Lakefest

*Submitted by Lonnie Rogers, Burnet County CSCD*

A major CSR project was coordinated by Lonnie Rogers of Burnet County CSCD on August 7-9, 2015.

This is the 24th year that the Marble Falls/Lake LBJ Chamber of Commerce transformed Lake Marble Falls into a liquid quarter-mile "racetrack" and the banks of Lake Marble Falls into a thrilling three-day boat race party.



"I had 2 main groups of Adult Community Service workers scattered out over the event area. One group was concentrated in the area where the boats are taken out of the water after they have finished their passes. Another group was patrolling the spectator area, pits and vendor area changing out trash receptacles. Both groups combined averaged around 80 probationers each day of the event, which lasted from 8:00 am until the chamber closed the event around 5:00 pm each day. With temperatures averaging 105 degrees, heat related health emergencies were a strong concern." ■