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Conference Update

On February 24th, the TCSA Board held its 2014 Conference Planning Meeting in El Paso. The evening before our meeting, the board was graciously greeted by several representatives of the local CSCD and juvenile probation department. This included Magdalena Morales-Aina, Director of the West Texas CSCD, and Roger Martinez, Chief Probation Officer of El Paso County Juvenile Probation Department. Both departments are serving as hosts of the upcoming conference.

During the visit, Chelsea Burgess, Convention Sales Manager for the El Paso Convention and Visitors Bureau, facilitated tours of area hotels. The Radisson Hotel by the Airport was subsequently selected by the board to be the conference hotel.

Planning for the conference will continue with efforts headed by Israel Tena, Community Engagement Officer with El Paso JPD, who is the 2014 conference chair. Conference is set for October 26 – 29. Registration form is on page 3. As we get more conference details, we will post them on our website www.texascommunityservice.com.



TCSA Board Members Enjoy the Nightscape in El Paso
(Pictured left to right: Pete Gonzales, Brenda Garcia and Israel Tena)

2014 Board of Directors

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JP Elder Middle School Cadets

At the 2013 TCSA Conference held in Fort Worth, JP Elder Middle School's Top Secret Drill Corps posted the colors. These cadets are under the command of Farley A. Simon, GySgt USMC (Retired).

After the conference, a donation was made by TCSA to the drill corps for their support of the conference.

The check was presented by Jacinto Ramos, Jr. who is the Tarrant County Juvenile Services CSR Supervisor. Jacinto also serves as trustee on the Fort Worth ISD Board.

Thanks again, cadets.



GySgt Simon USMC (Ret.) accepts TCSA donation from Jacinto Ramos, Jr.

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2014 Conference Registration Form

Texas Community Service Association 19th Annual Conference

WWW.TEXASCOMMUNITYSERVICE.COM

The registration fee for the 2014 conference in El Paso will remain **\$125.00** and includes a TCSA Annual Membership.

Conference dates are:
October 26, 27, 28 & 29, 2014

MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO: TEXAS COMMUNITY SERVICE ASSOCIATION

CSCD
Mail Conference registration forms and fees by **October 15, 2014** 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

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

If possible, please bring a modest item representing your area that we could use as a door prize. Also, please bring a canned food item(s) as we will be making a contribution of non-perishable items and a monetary contribution to a local food bank.

Hotel Information

Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport
1770 Airway Blvd
El Paso, Texas 79925
(915) 772-3333

www.radisson.com/elpasotx

If calling the hotel directly to make your room reservation, 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**. If you are making your reservation directly on the hotel website, enter the following promotional code: **TCSA14**. Both of these hotel room reservation processes, will allow you to get the government room rate of \$90 per night, plus 17.5% local and state taxes (\$105.75). This includes complimentary hot breakfast, parking and WiFi. Mini-refrigerator and microwave is also included in each room. The hotel will reserve rooms up to **October 12, 2014**. Reservations received after this date will be accepted on a space availability basis only and promotional rate will no longer apply. Please remember to bring any Hotel Tax Exemption letter that applies to your organization.

TCSA Conference Registration Form

October 26, 27, 28, & 29, 2014

NAME: _____

AGENCY: _____ JOB TITLE: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____ CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ FAX: _____ EMAIL: _____

TCSA Membership

While TCSA's membership is primarily comprised of community service professionals employed by a Juvenile Probation Department or Community Supervision and Corrections Department (CSCD), it is also open to any individual involved in community service programming. This includes, but is not limited to, individuals employed by parole services, advocacy groups, and educational entities.

Member JPD Departments include Bandera, Bell, Bexar, Caldwell, El Paso, Gaines, Gregg, Harrison, Marion, Midland, San Patricio, Shelby, Smith, Tarrant, and Victoria.

Member CSCDs are Caldwell, Cameron, Cass, Cherokee, Colin, Comal, Concho Valley, Gillespie, Harrison, Hidalgo, Hutchinson, Kerr, Lamar, Liberty, McLennan, Milam, Palo Pinto, Smith, Tarrant, and Wise.

Other members represent Burnet ISF, Coryell Sheriff's Office, Dallas Volunteer Center and Tarrant Volunteer Center.

Join the Texas Community Service Association

Annual Fee is \$25

Contact Pete Gonzales, TCSA President, @
210.335.1840 or pgonzales@bexar.org

GYSD Mini-Grant Recipients

On February 27th, the Texas Juvenile Justice Department announced its 2014 mini-grant recipients for [Global Youth Service Day](#) (GYSD). Youth Service America provided \$1,850 in planning grant funds. TCSA provided \$500 in grant funds for its members. The State Volunteer Resource Council manages the mini-grant application and disbursement process.

Fourteen entities, including juvenile probation departments, parole offices, state schools, state correctional facilities, and halfway houses, were selected as recipients of mini-grants. Four of them are current TCSA members: Bell County Juvenile Services, Bexar County JPD, El Paso County JPD, and Victoria County JPD.



2014 CONFERENCE

The Texas Community Service Association Conference will be held in
El Paso, Texas. It is set for October 26-29.

Look us up on the Web for more information.

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