Texas Crime Stoppers Conference Registration Now Open!

Early Bird Registration
June 29-September 7, 2018
$200/person

Guest Tickets
$100/person (a guest is an additional fun night/banquet guest. Must be accompanied by a conference attendee)

NOTE: Guest registration and group registration are different. A guest is an additional person, such as a spouse or other "non-member", who wishes to attend evening events (fun night and banquet) with a conference attendee. A group member is any affiliated Crime Stoppers Organization member who will attend the conference for training. Groups can be registered at one time through the registration site.

Exhibitor Fees
$450/booth which includes 1 table, 2 chairs, admission to conference sessions, events, meals for two people. Additional booth "operators" will register as a conference attendee at the registration rate at that time.

Payment Details
Payment can be made via Paypal.com to Guadalupe County Crime Stoppers using the following email address: gccrimestoppers@gmail.com

NOTE: For payment tracking purposes when submitting PayPal payments you must clearly indicate which individual or Crime Stoppers group you are making payment for in the notes/memo area on the PayPal website.

Early Arrival Event
Date: Sunday, October 7, 2018
Time: 5:30 PM-9:30 PM
Location: 3009 Restaurant & Bar (HEB)
17460 IH 35 North in Schertz
Guest tickets available during registration.

Description of Event: Live Music, Indoor & Outdoor Space to relax, catch up, and network with Texas Crime Stoppers Folks. Appetizers will be made available (while supplies last) and one beverage ticket provided to all attendees. A great way to kick off the conference fun! We hope to see you there.

Fun Night Event
Date: Monday, October 8, 2018
Time: 6:30 PM-10:30 PM
Location: Bluebonnet Palace
17630 Lookout Rd. Selma, TX 78154
Guest tickets available during registration.

Description of Event: There is so much history here. If you know them, they've played at the Bluebonnet Palace, including George Strait and Willie Nelson! Join us for an exciting evening of delicious food, cold drinks, and great entertainment by Coffey Anderson! Bring your dancing shoes...you definitely won't want to be getting back to your hotel early!

Click Here to Learn More!
Happy Anniversary To You!

Happy 11th Anniversary to Crime Stoppers “Behind the Walls”
Happy 27th Anniversary to Student Crime Stoppers of Amarillo, Inc.
Happy 32nd Anniversary to West Wharton County Crime Stoppers, Inc.
Happy 32nd Anniversary to Hill Country Area Crime Stoppers, Inc.
Happy 34th Anniversary to Copperas Cove Crime Stoppers, Inc.
Happy 34th Anniversary to Crime Stoppers of Midland, Inc.
Happy 36th Anniversary to Matagorda County Crime Stoppers, Inc.
Happy 37th Anniversary to Montgomery County Crime Stoppers, Inc. d/b/a Multi-County Crime Stoppers

Ambassador’s Corner
What Crime Stoppers Means to Me and Why I Became an Ambassador

I first became interested in joining crime stoppers when I was in middle school. Many of my peers fell victim to peer pressure, drugs and gang violence. My freshman year one of my classmates was involved in a robbery that resulted in murder! He was only 15 and won’t be released until after he is 35 years old. Seeing someone my age going to jail was a real revelation and made me start asking questions about joining our campus crime stoppers. This crime could have been prevented. Several people knew about the plan but didn’t report it since it was going to be a “victimless” crime. One phone call could have changed the course of so many lives.

My hope is that my efforts will stop my classmates from becoming victims or perpetrators of crimes. Being an ambassador means that I pave the way for my fellow crime stoppers on and off campus. I want to encourage everyone to report any crimes they see or suspect using our anonymous tip line or by reporting directly to our campus officers. By leading through example I want to show that not only is “cool” to help others, it is everyone’s duty. If each person helped just one other person what a better world we would live in.

- Nani Williams, Student Ambassador
Grand Prairie Student Crime Stoppers
Jesus Alberto VILLEGAS has ties to Abilene, Texas (last known address) and to Mexico. In August 1996, VILLEGAS became involved in an altercation with unknown subjects in Abilene during which VILLEGAS was stabbed with a knife. In 1997, VILLEGAS was arrested for Possession of a Prohibited Weapon after he was found in possession of a 15" sawed-off rifle. In 1998, VILLEGAS absconded from the Abilene area after he was charged with Sexual Assault of a Child. The Taylor County Sheriff's Office currently holds warrants for VILLEGAS' arrest for Sexual Assault of a Child and Probation Violation (Original Offenses: Possession of Prohibited Weapon, Felony Theft). VILLEGAS may also be known as “Albert VILLEGAS”.

Jack Earl STERNS, Jr., a Texas 10 Most Wanted Fugitive affiliated with the Crips gang, was taken into custody on June 20, 2018. Following up on tip information, STERNS was apprehended by officers from the Nacogdoches Police Department at a residence in Nacogdoches, Texas. STERNS is a violent offender with a history of arrests for assault, weapons, drug possession, and evading arrest offenses. STERNS has served time in TDCJ prison on multiple occasions, and was last released on parole in June 2016. STERNS had been wanted by the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles for Parole Violation since December 6, 2017. In addition, STERNS had been wanted out of Nacogdoches County for Aggravated Robbery (2 Counts) and Evading Arrest with Prior Conviction. The arrest was the result of tip information received through Crime Stoppers and a reward will be paid.
Meetings & Trainings

Texas Crime Stoppers Council Meeting
DATE: Friday, August 17, 2018
TIME: 9:30 AM
LOCATION: State Capitol Building, Committee Hearing Room E1.102
1100 Congress Avenue, Austin Texas 78701

More Training Opportunities

Risky Behavior Youth Are Engaging in Online and How to Prevent it!
National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC)
Discussing the apps and websites kids are using, how to identify warning signs of kids engaged in risky behaviors online, and how to discuss appropriate online behavior with kids. Topics include cyberbullying, sexting, sharing too much information online, online privacy, and abduction prevention. Due to the sensitive nature of this presentation, children of any age are not permitted to attend.

Registration is free of charge, TCOLE will be offered.
Register here today!

The Office of the Governor is happy to offer a one-day (free) class of eGrants training, open to any grantee using the OOG’s eGrants system. https://egrants.gov.texas.gov Examples used in the class were initially tailored to HSGD border programs; however, any OOG grantee will benefit from the class by learning eGrants functionality. If you’re interested in attending, please click the link below to register for one of the upcoming courses.

You MUST bring your own laptop, or other device with a web browser, for this class.

Upcoming Training Dates & Locations:
Southlake (DFW)- July 24, 25, or 26
Austin Wednesday, August 22