



**STATE OF TEXAS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

The actions and choices of criminals disrupt our lives, cause injury and property damage, and inflict lasting damage, both physically and mentally, on the vulnerable in our society. Crime takes a toll on our tightly knit Texas communities and can destroy our vital sense of security. Since 1976, Crime Stoppers programs have empowered citizens across our state to take a stand against crime in their communities in order to reclaim their sense of safety. These programs bring together law enforcement agencies, citizens, and news media to solve crimes and bring criminals to justice.

In the past year, Crime Stoppers programs across Texas received more than 67,800 anonymous tips that led to the arrests of more than 3,200 suspects, \$1.1 million in rewards paid, and \$3.8 million worth of narcotics seized. These impressive results showcase the hard work and resilience of Crime Stoppers programs, which continue to be extremely effective in protecting and serving communities across Texas.

Many Crime Stoppers organizations also have campus programs that strive to protect our students and young people by reducing crime in schools and working diligently to keep school communities safe. Crime Stoppers programs receive thousands of tips that allow them to recover weapons and seize illegal drugs from Texas schools.

Every year, the month of January is dedicated to raising awareness of Crime Stoppers' successes and motivating more Texans to get involved in keeping their communities safe. At this time, I encourage all Texans to join in this effort and help create an even brighter future for our state.

Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim January 2022 to be

Crime Stoppers Month



in Texas and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

In official recognition whereof, I hereby affix my signature this the 3rd day of January, 2022.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Greg Abbott".

Governor of Texas