



**Extension Education in Frio County**  
*Making a Difference*

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service has long been dedicated to educating Texans. Extension education evolved nationwide under the 1914 federal Smith-Lever Act, which sought to extend university knowledge and agricultural research findings directly to the people. Ever since, Extension programs have addressed the emerging issues of the day, reaching diverse rural and urban populations.

In Texas, all 254 counties are served by a well-organized network of professional Extension educators and some 100,000 trained volunteers. Extension expertise and educational outreach pertain to the food and fiber industry, natural resources, family and consumer sciences, nutrition and health, and community economic development.

## **EXTENDING KNOWLEDGE** *Providing Solutions*

Among those served are hundreds of thousands of young people who benefit annually from Extension's 4-H and youth development programs.

Texans turn to Extension education for solutions. Extension agents and specialists respond not only with answers, but also with resources and services that result in significant returns on the public's investment. Extension programs are custom-designed for each region of the state, with residents providing input and help with program delivery. Here are just a few highlights of Extension impacts on this county and its people.

### **Frio County – Summary of 2016 Educational Contacts**

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- **Total Educational Programs Conducted – 542**
  - Adult Sessions – 347**
  - Youth Sessions - 195**
- **Total Participants – 8,243**
- **Contact hours via Educational Programs – 15,147**
- **4-H Members – 148**
- **4-H Adult Volunteers – 52**
- **4-H Youth Volunteers - 18**
- **4-H Clubs – 4**
- **Curriculum Enrichment Participants – 328**
- **4-H Special Interest Participants – 97**
- **Office Contacts – 605**
- **Site Visits – 5**
- **Phone Calls – 550**
- **Newsletter/Mail/E-mail Contacts – 2,619**
- **Web Contacts – 2,741**
- **Radio Programs – 2**
- **News Releases – 70**
- **Cash and In-Kind Donations by AgriLife Extension Supporters and Collaborators – 6,328.00 dollars**

***2016 Frio/Atascosa Counties Peanut  
Profitability Plan***

**Plan Summary Report**

**Date of Summary: December 15, 2016**

**Relevance:**

Peanut production in Frio County is the largest field crop produced in the county with over 14,500 acres in production on an annual basis. In order to increase profitability, it is important to educate our peanut producers about current practices, varieties, and technologies associated with peanut production. The South Texas Peanut Growers Association, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, and Texas A&M AgriLife Research scientists identified issues that needed to be addressed in educating peanut producers in Frio and Atascosa counties to help increase peanut profitability.

**Response:**

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Frio and Atascosa County developed the following activities to address this relevant issue:

- \*Peanut Progress Newsletter (June – October 2016)
- \*South Texas Peanut Growers Annual Meeting (April 2016)
- \*Peanut Breeding Plots (June 2016)
- \*Peanut Result Demonstrations (June 2016)
- \*Peanut Variety Trials (June 2016)
- \*South Texas Peanut Tour (September 2016)

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension in Frio and Atascosa Counties partnered with South Texas Peanut Growers Association, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Specialists, Texas A&M AgriLife research Scientists and Texas Peanut Producers Board to implement this plan. These educational programs were designed to address the Texas A&M AgriLife Research Peanut Breeding program, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Peanut Variety Program, Peanut Herbicide Control, Peanut Fungicide Control, Peanut economics and peanut industry trends. Topics discussed include: Peanut Breeding Results, Weed Control and resistance issues, Irrigation Management, Soil Fertility Program, etc.

**Results:**

A Participation Survey (retrospective post) was utilized to measure programmatic impact. A total of 19 of 26 returned the survey for a 73 % survey response rate.

## Agriculture and Natural Resources

**Table 1: LEVEL OF UNDERSTANDING – Percent Change**

	Mean Before	Mean After	Percent Change
Peanut Disease	2.58	3.00	4%
Peanut Varieties	2.47	3.32	4.8%
Peanut Fungicides	2.26	2.68	8.3%
Peanut Herbicides	2.47	3.21	5.7%

**Table 2: Overall Satisfaction**

Overall Satisfaction	100%
Satisfaction of Accuracy of Information	100%
Satisfaction w/ information easy to understand	89%
Satisfaction w/ timeliness for information	95%
Satisfaction w/ helpfulness of information	94%
Satisfaction w/ relevance of examples used	95%
Satisfaction of instructors knowledge	100%

### Summary of Results:

Results indicate that the Frio/Atascosa Counties Peanut Profitability Plan met its objectives to increase knowledge and behavioral changes in the peanut producers that participated. 26% of the participants indicated that they had intentions to adopt the management practices. 68% anticipated economic benefit per crop/acre equaled to \$11.87/acre.

### Acknowledgements:

Special thanks to the following experts for presenting at these activities: Dr. Jason Woodward, James Grichar, Shelly Nutt and Michael Barring. Additional thanks are due to the following Frio County Cooperators: Tech Farms, Bennett Partnership, Wilmeth Farms and Gary Boyd Farms.

### Future Program Actions:

As a result of our program evaluations, participants have asked for us to continue working on peanut diseases, varieties, fungicides and herbicides. They have also requested that we address peanut markets and commodity prices and peanut government programs in upcoming programs. Working with the South Texas Peanut Growers Association, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Texas Peanut Producers Board will continue to offer educational programs that target peanut producers in Frio and Atascosa Counties to help them improve their bottom line.

## **2016 Frio/Atascosa/Dimmit/Zavala/LaSalle/ McMullen Cos. Water Quality Program**

### **Plan Summary**

**Developed By: Jaime Lopez, Frio County Extension Agent-Ag  
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**Date of Summary: December 15, 2016**

#### **Relevance:**

Water well owners are independently responsible for monitoring the quality of their wells and are at a greater risk for exposure to compromised water quality in Frio, Atascosa, Dimmit, Zavala, LaSalle and McMullen Counties. The risks in these counties are further compromised by fracking of oil reserves and related oil well drilling activities on privately owned land.

#### **Response:**

Now in its 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year the Frio/Atascosa/Dimmit/Zavala/LaSalle and McMullen Water Quality plan is an education program that gives well owners the opportunity to have their well water samples to be screened for common contaminants including fecal coliform bacteria, nitrates, and high salinity. Private Well Water screenings are conducted twice a year once in the fall and once in the spring. Private well water owners are informed about upcoming water well screening opportunities, methods of collecting good water samples, cost and dates, times and water sample collection sites through the use of local news media outlets, landowner newsletters and social media. A follow-up meeting to explain screening results were held following each well water screening event.

#### **Results:**

Over the course of the three years of this program over 360 private well water samples have been screened by this multi-county effort. Of these 30 samples required further testing at a certified water testing laboratory. The remaining 330 samples screened did not screen positive to any of the parameters used in the screening process thus resulting in NO FURTHER ACTION(NFA) being required by the well water owner(s) saving them over \$29,700.00

## **Agriculture and Natural Resources**

### **Acknowledgements:**

Special thanks to Mr. Drew M. Gholson, John Smith, Diane Boellstroff, Ryan Gerlich and the Texas Water Well Owner Network Program for providing the expertise on screening the water samples and helping with the program. We would also like to thank the San Antonio River Authority and the Evergreen Underground Water Conservation District for being part of the program. Additional thanks are also due to Dr. Monty Dozier and Mr. Todd Swift for their guidance with the Multi-County Water Plan and to the agents from Dimmit, La Salle, Frio, Atascosa, McMullen and Zavala Counties.

### **Future Plans:**

As a result of the value of this program and the recommendation by John W. Smith, AgriLife Extension program specialist, College Station, who recommends that private water wells should be tested annually for common contaminants this program is being planned for implementation in these counties in 2017.

## ***2016 Frio County Agriculture Plan***

**Developed By: Jaime Lopez, Frio County Extension Agent – Ag**

**Date of Summary: December 15, 2016**

### **Relevance:**

In order to increase knowledge and profitability, it is important to educate our livestock and crop producers about current practices and technologies associated with these topics: The Frio County Ag & Natural Resource Committee cooperated with a number of agriculture commodity groups and organizations to develop a plan that would educate Frio County agriculture producers that would help increase knowledge and profitability in livestock and crop production.

This program was directed toward the 651 farms and ranches that account for over 713,262 acres in agriculture production in Frio County.

### **Response:**

The Texas A & M AgriLife Extension Service in Frio County developed the following activities to address this relevant topic.

- Frio County Pesticide Quarterly Report (4)
- Frio County Agriculture Increment Report
- Weekly Crop Report
- Frio County Soil/Water Conservation District Monthly meetings
- Pesticide Applicator Trainings (7)
- South Texas Peanut Growers Association Planning Meeting ( Devine)
- Pesticide Applicator “Last Chance CEU Video Series” (3)

## Agriculture and Natural Resources

- Frio County Quarterly Pesticide Applicator Newsletter
- South Texas Annual Peanut Grower's Meeting – Pleasanton
- Multi-County Water Sample Screening (2)
- South Texas Range and Field Day – Pleasanton
- South Texas Wildlife Day – Pleasanton
- Frio County Appraisal District Ag advisory Committee (2)
- Frio County Adult Leadership Advisory Board meetings (2)
- Frio County Ag & Natural Resource Committee Meeting (2)
- Pesticide Applicator Training Online
- South Texas Small Grains Program – Uvalde
- South Texas Peanut Tour – Pearsall
- Annual Range Tour - Pearsall

### Results:

Results indicate that Frio County agriculture producers that attended the numerous educational events and activities of increasing knowledge. The greatest knowledge change was for the topics associated with chemical brush control, livestock, water, peanuts, pesticides, water and economic markets.

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service – Frio County would also like to recognize the cooperation with South Texas Peanut Growers Association, Texas Peanut Producers Board, TSCRA, Frio County Soil/Water Conservation District, USDA- NRCS and the Frio County Leadership Advisory Board.

The Frio County Agriculture Committee would like to thank all commodity groups, organizations and government agencies that cooperated in addressing our educated efforts in Frio County. Working with the Frio County Ag Committee, Texas A & M AgriLife Extension Service – Frio County will continue to offer programs targeted and agriculture producers in the county. The results of these programs will lead more engaged and educated producers.



## **2016 Frio County Walk Across Texas!**

Walk Across Texas! is an eight-week program to help people of all ages support one another to establish the habit of regular physical activity. Walk Across Texas! is recognized as a Best Practice Physical Activity Program by the Texas Department of State Health Services. (<http://walkacrosstexas.tamu.edu/>)

### **The Issue**

- 32.4% of Texans are obese<sup>4</sup>.
- 27.2% of American adults report no leisure time physically activity<sup>2</sup>.
- 16.6% of youth report no physical activity<sup>2</sup>.
- Only 19% of adults and 30% of youth reported they get regular, moderate exercise to meet physical activity guidelines<sup>2</sup>.

### **Background**

- Regular physical activity and controlling weight can significantly reduce the risk and impact of chronic diseases like heart disease, stroke, type 2 diabetes, cancer, high blood pressure, and depression<sup>3</sup>.
- Regular physical activity is also associated with fewer physician visits, hospitalizations, and medications.
- Chronic diseases account for 70% of deaths and 86% of U.S. health-care costs<sup>1</sup>.
- Community-wide programs like Walk Across Texas! have been associated with significant increases in physical activity.

### **Severity of the Problem**

- Texas ranks 9th as the most physically inactive state<sup>4</sup>.
- Texas ranks 10th as the state with the highest adult obesity rates<sup>4</sup>.
- Texas ranks 10th as the state with the highest rates of obese 10-17 year olds<sup>4</sup>.

### **The Educational Program**

For eight weeks, teams of up to eight people, school classes, or individuals virtually walk 832 miles across the State of Texas.

- Visit <http://walkacrosstexas.tamu.edu>.
- The program begins with a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service agent forming a community task force with members from targeted groups, such as schools, worksites, churches, etc.
- Plan Kick-Off and Recognition activities.
- Train site managers, captains, teachers, and other volunteer helpers.
- Register participants online.
- Enter mileage online.
- Participate for eight weeks.

Provide recognition for various accomplishments throughout the program



## Impact of Walk Across Texas!

This program significantly increases participant physical activity.

- 152 Texas counties participated in 2016.
- 36,518 people registered statewide in 2016.
- 90 adults in our county registered and participated in the WAT! program.
- 78 adults in our county completed the eight-week program.
- Adult participants' average weekly mileage increased 4.78 miles from week one to week eight.
- 12 youth in our county participated in the school version of Walk Across Texas!

## Economic Impact to the County

If the 60 participants completing the eight-week program continue walking at the same level as during Walk Across Texas!, they have the potential to save a collective \$ \$588,670 in future health care costs by avoiding type 2 diabetes and by reducing work absences.

## Participants' Comments

- 92.3% reported they or their family benefitted from participating in Walk Across Texas
- Eye of the Tiger was the team who walked the most miles (15,593.5 miles). They continued to do Walk Across Texas for 24 weeks.
- Michael Martinez walked the most miles (3,383.40 miles) and lost over 18 lbs. during the program.
- Adrian Siller- Gonzalez walked the most miles under the youth category (2687.31 miles).
- "Walk Across Texas encourages lifelong activities for students to stay healthy" – Coach Jose Olvera III.
- "I liked competing in Walk Across Texas because I was able to spend a lot of time with my family" – Lydia Morales, high school student.



<sup>1</sup>Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (2016). Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion. <http://www.cdc.gov/chronicdisease/> (accessed October, 2016)

<sup>2</sup>Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. State Indicator Report on Physical Activity, 2014.

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<sup>3</sup>Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (2016). Chapter 2: Physical Activity Has Many Health Benefits.

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<sup>4</sup>Trust for America's Health and Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (2016). The State of Obesity: Obesity Rates and Trends. <http://stateofobesity.org/> (accessed October, 2016).

## Friend to Friend in Frio County, 2016

The *Friend to Friend* program's purpose is to encourage women to get regular mammograms and Pap tests for the early detection of breast and cervical cancer, when the disease is most curable.

### Relevance

- Regular screening significantly increases the likelihood of finding cancer early, when treatment is more often successful.
- Women living in rural areas of Texas are less likely than their urban counterparts to have had a mammogram or Pap test within the past two years.
- Mortality is higher for rural women because of later diagnosis.

### Response

- This project's goal is to decrease breast and cervical cancer morbidity and mortality for women living in rural Texas counties by improving screening rates and early detection of cancer.
- Through a grant from the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT), funding was provided for screenings and transportation for uninsured and underserved women in need of services.
- The county Extension agent, regional cancer prevention specialist, and patient navigators plan and implement a *Friend to Friend* event. Women attending are given the opportunity to sign a commitment card to obtain a mammogram and/or Pap test within the next year and the option to complete a help request form for assistance in obtaining screening services.

### Impact of the Program

- 36 counties held *Friend to Friend* events throughout Texas in 2016.
- 13 women attended the *Friend to Friend* events on November 05, 2016 at the Frio County Community Center in the city of Pearsall, Texas.
- 34 women were reached at Friend to Friend educational classes.
- 3 educational classes and 1 party/event were hosted.

Demographics of women who attended the events:

- Median age was: 53.
- Ethnic breakdown:
  - African American: 0 %
  - American Indian/Native American: 0 %
  - Asian/Pacific Islander: 0 %
  - Latina/Hispanic: 87.5 %
  - White: 0 %
  - Multiple race/ethnicity: 12.5%
  - Other/missing: 0 %

## Family and Consumer Sciences

- 6 total volunteers assisted at party/events.
- A Health Professional and a Breast Cancer Survivor urged women to obtain a mammogram/Pap screening at the events.
- At the end of the event 33.3% of women, aged 40 or over, correctly identified the need for a mammogram screening every year.
- 28 Clinical sites contracted statewide for screenings, diagnostics, radiologists and lab services.
- 0 Mammogram screenings, pap screenings and diagnostics were paid for through CPRIT funds.
- Women were referred to other available sources for Breast and Cervical screenings and diagnostics.

## Success Stories

- The women who attended the event liked the support group section of the party. They felt that it was very insightful and informative.
- “The hostess and the public health nurse had very good stories. They’re experience with mammograms and pap swears made me feel more comfortable about getting one.” – Alisson Torres, participant



### *2016 Field & Stream Project Outdoor Education Program*

#### Plan Summary Report

**Date of Summary: December 15, 2016**

#### **Relevance:**

Youth Outdoor Safety and Education is one of the top three main concerns in Frio County. Early safety education is an important way to reduce accidents at home or on the farm. The Frio County Youth Leadership Advisory Board identified the problem and decided to sponsor an outdoor safety education program. The program targeted all youth in Frio County between the ages of 8 years old and 13 years old.

#### **Response:**

The Frio County Youth Leadership Advisory Board teamed up with Texas Parks & Wildlife, and H.E.B. Program to help sponsor an Outdoor Education Day in Frio County. The following programs were addressed at this year's Outdoor Education Program.

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| *Fishing and Outdoor Safety | *Fire Safety            |
| *First Aid (Air Life)       | *Farm Electrical Safety |
| *ATV Safety                 | *Boat & Water Safety    |
| *Texas Brigades             | *Drug Awareness         |
| *Sun Safety                 |                         |

Texas A & M AgriLife Extension Service – Frio County partnered with the following agencies, organizations and businesses to implement this plan:

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| *Texas Parks & Wildlife Department | *Pearsall Parks and Recreation Department |
| *Frio County                       | *H.E.B.                                   |
| *United State Border Patrol        | *Methodist Hospital Air Life              |
| *Texas State Health Department     |   |

#### **Results:**

A Participation Survey (retrospective post) was utilized to measure programmatic impact. 16 of 97 participants were asked to participate in the program evaluation process. A total of 14 of 16 returned the survey for a 87.5 % survey response rate.

**Table 1: LEVEL OF UNDERSTANDING – Percent Change**

	Mean Before	Mean After	Percent Change
Fishing & Outdoor Safety	2.58	3.00	86.00%
Farm Electrical Safety	2.47	3.32	74.40%
ATV Safety	2.26	2.68	84.30%

## 4-H and Youth Development

Boat & Water Safety	2.47	3.21	76.95%
Fire Safety	2.26	3.33	67.87%
First Aid	2.45	3.21	76.32%
Texas Brigades	2.36	3.00	78.67%
Drug Awareness	2.51	3.26	76.99%
Sun Safety	2.33	2.98	78.19%

\*Results of participant feedback in what they learned at the Outdoor Safety education program included:

- Call 911 for and emergency
- Wear head protection when riding ATV's
- Say no to drugs
- Always wear safety vest when you ride in a boat

**Table 2: Overall Satisfaction**

Overall Satisfaction	100%
Satisfaction of Accuracy of Information	100%
Satisfaction w/ information easy to understand	100%
Satisfaction w/ timeliness for information	93%
Satisfaction w/ helpfulness of information	100%
Satisfaction w/ relevance of examples used	100%
Satisfaction of instructors knowledge	100%

### Summary of Results:

Results indicate that the Frio County Outdoor Education Program met its objectives of increasing knowledge and behavioral changes with the youth that participated. 92% of the youth participated also indicated that they were mostly or completely satisfied with the entire program.

### Acknowledgements:

Special thanks go to the Frio County Youth Leadership Advisory Board members and Chairperson Mr. John Palacios and local cooperators and sponsors such as Frio County, Pearsall Parks & Recreation Dept., Texas Parks & Wildlife Department, H.E.B., Methodist Hospital, Air Life, and U.S. Border Patrol. The Frio County Youth Leadership Board would also like to recognize H.E.B. for sponsoring this year's door prizes.

### Future Program Actions:

Other outdoor safety topics identified by the participants and the Youth Leadership Advisory Board include gun safety and tractor safety. As we continue to address outdoor safety in Frio County and identify other safety issues of concern, we will continue to identify local resources that can help in future programmatic efforts.

## 4-H and Youth Development

### 2016 Frio County 4-H Agriculture & Natural Resource Project Plan

Developed By: Jaime Lopez, Frio County Extension Agent – Ag

**Summary: December 15, 2016**

#### **Relevance:**

The Frio County 4-H and Youth Development program utilizes livestock projects as teaching tools to come together to provide an informal educational experience to the youth of Frio County. Decision making skills are also gained throughout the project that include selection, daily care, weight management, shows and other project opportunities such as judging teams, quiz bowls and skill-a-thons. Not only do members and volunteers participate in educational events through livestock projects and activities, they are also involved with the County Extension Agents in helping grow and expand the program..

The Frio County 4-H program uses every means possible to promote the 4-H program throughout the county..

#### **Response:**

The Frio County 4-H program offers 4-H livestock project trainings and activities as an educational program to educate 4-H members and parents on their 4-H livestock projects. The following programs and activities were used to achieve our goals:

- Frio County Jr. Livestock Show workdays (2)
- Frio County Jr. Livestock Show
- Frio County Commercial Heifer Show
- Frio Country Store Show
- Frio County 4-H Photography Contest
- 4-H Livestock Judging & Plant ID Teams
- District 12 4-H Livestock Judging Contest – Fredericksburg
- District 12 4-H Horseshow – Robstown
- County & State Steer Validation – Dilley/Pearsall
- Frio County 4-H Steer Project Training
- Frio County Lamb & Goat Training
- Frio County Commercial Heifer Weigh-In
  - Frio County Commercial Heifer Weigh-In
  - Frio County 4-H Swine Project Meeting
  - County & State Lamb, Goat, & Heifer Validation – Dilley/Pearsall
  - County & State Swine Validation – Dilley/Pearsall
  - Frio County 4-H Poultry Project Training
  - Frio County 4-H Rabbit Project Training
  - County Rabbit Validation – Dilley/Pearsall
- San Antonio Jr. Livestock Show

## 4-H and Youth Development

### Results:

Raising and exhibiting livestock benefits youth by teaching skills that can be applied at: school, home and work. The livestock project also teaches youth to be: dependable, confident and qualified. Because of our efforts in the last six years the Frio County 4-H program has become the largest youth organization outside the school districts in the county. This has also lead to an increase in volunteer participation to help the County Extension Agents manage the overall program. We continue to provide educational trainings to our 4-H livestock feeders, 4-H volunteers, and parents as a result:

- 4-H livestock projects allow exhibitors to enhance their life skills
- Youth involved with livestock projects are responsible for producing a safe meat product for consumers.
- Knowledge and skills gained through livestock projects are applicable across categories (show, school, career)
- Involvement in the 4-H livestock project provides opportunities for leadership and learning experiences.

### Summary:

As a result of our efforts, today we have 148 4-H club members and 52 adult volunteers. Frio County 4-H Club Managers, volunteer leaders, and club officers have a better appreciation on the total effort in trying to expand the Frio County 4-H Program.

### Acknowledgements:

Special thanks to the Frio County 4-H Club Managers, Club Officers, Volunteers, Youth Leadership Advisory Board, 4-H Council, 4-H parents and Frio County AgriLife Extension Staff.



## 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

# Making a Difference in *Frio County* 2016

## Annual 4-H Program Summary

### County 4-H Youth Involvement

- 4 Chartered Community Clubs
- 148 Members Enrolled in 4-H Clubs
- 97 Youth Reached through Special Interest Programs
- 328 Youth Reached through School-Based Enrichment Curriculum

### County 4-H Leadership, Advisory, and Support Organizations

- 23 Youth Board Members attended 3 Meetings
- 49 County 4-H Council Members attended 4 Meetings
- 0 Adult Leaders & Parents Organization Members attended 0 Mtgs

Total Youth Reached

**573**



### # of Youth Attending

<u>Participation in County 4-H Events</u>		<u>County Participation in District Events</u>		<u>County Participation in State/National Events</u>	
Annual Big Blast Shoot (July)	106	D12 4-H Shooting Sports	6	S.A.L.E. Stockshow/Rodeo	15
Frio Co. Jr. Livestock Show	120	D12 4-H Leadership Lab	8	Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Games	11
Country Store	112	D12 4-H Election Convention	4	Houston Stock Show/Rodeo	1
South Texas Shoot Out (March)	128	D12 4-H Round-Up	2	Star of Texas Stock Show/Rodeo	1
One Day 4-H	47	D12 4-H Fashion Show	7	San Angelo Stock Show/Rodeo	4

  

<u>Most Popular Club Projects in the County</u>		<u>Most Popular Curriculum in the County</u>	
Rabbits	53	Bullying/Scrubby Bear	328
Goats	32	Outdoor Education	97
Shooting Sports	18	Quality Counts	21
Swine	30	Walk Across Texas (youth)	12
Beef	13		

### County 4-H Volunteer Support

- 52 Registered & Screened Volunteers Supporting Clubs
- 14 Club Managers, Co-Managers, and Project Leaders
- 413 Hours Contributed by Volunteers in Support of Clubs

### Value of Volunteer Time Supporting 4-H

**\$9,528**

### Livestock Show Premium Sale Proceeds\*

**\$534,515**

*Includes all projects (4-H and FFA)*



## 4-H and Youth Development

### County 4-H Leadership & Personal Development Programs

- 11 Attended State-level Leadership & Personal Development educational or competitive events
- 22 Attended District-level Leadership & Personal Development educational or competitive events
- 8 Attended District Leadership Lab
- 4 Received 4-H Scholarships valued at a total of \$6,000

### Local Training Opportunities for Youth and Adults

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|--|-------------------------------------|
| 8 4-H Club Manager Training                                | 7 Livestock Judging Training/weekly |
| 148 Parliamentary Procedure Training at first club meeting | 2 Plant I.D. Training/weekly        |
| 5 Claybuster's Shooting Sports Safety Training             |                                     |
| 16 Shooting Sports Training/weekly                         |                                     |

### Significant Leadership & Personal Development accomplishments from county Events & Activities

All 4-H members received parliamentary procedure training at their first meeting. 4-H officers are able to run their meetings in a more efficient manner. The club managers or co-managers were trained this year to lead their respective clubs.

### County 4-H Agriculture & Natural Resource Programs

- 146 Livestock Projects (all species)
- 120 Participated in County Livestock Shows
- 32 Attended State-level Livestock Shows
- 2 Attended District-level Agriculture & Natural Resources educational or competitive events
- 21 Youth Trained through "Quality Counts" Program

### Local Training Opportunities for Youth and Adults

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 16 Steer Validation/Clinic  | 32 Commercial Heifer Weigh-In/Clinic |
| 9 Lamb Validation/Clinic    | 46 Goat Validation/Clinic            |
| 82 Swine Validation/Clinic  | 7 Poultry Validation/Clinic          |
| 50 Rabbit Validation/Clinic | 12 4-H Showmanship/Clinic            |

### Significant Agriculture & Natural Resource accomplishments from county Events & Activities

Due to an increase in 4-H enrollment, Frio County 4-H had an increase in 4-H participation at county and major livestock shows.

### County 4-H Family & Consumer Science Programs

- 0 Attended State-level educational or competitive events
- 9 Attended District-level educational or competitive events

### Local Training Opportunities for Youth and Adults

- 0 Food Show/Food Challenge
- 20 Fashion Show
- 13 Walk Across Texas

### Significant Family & Consumer Science accomplishments from county Events & Activities

This year, a lot of outreach activities and events were hosted. We had 4-Hers interested in family consumer science projects but were not ready to participate. So, this coming year we are hoping to have more 4-H participation in Family Consumer Science events.

# Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

## Frio County

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