

AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Highlights of ANR programs within Duval County as well as Multi- County

- Continuing Education for Private Pesticide Applicator Training completed Training and CEU's
- Farm Visits 142 total farm visits for fruit trees, pecan trees, bees, grasses, wildlife, etc...
- Beef 706(Multi-County)
- Well Water Screening (Multi-County)
- Hunters Education Course- 13 youth took advantage of this certification which is required to legally hunt if you were born after 1971
- Growing and Nourishing Healthy Community Gardens
- Ag Fair Day in Alice, Tx (Multi-County)
- NCRS Notice Nature Field Day

FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE

In Duval County, we have several programs set in place for the year, as well as emerging programs to assist the people of our community.

Multi county programs implemented in Brooks, Jim Wells, Duval, Jim Hogg, and Kleberg counties.

- Mobile Cooking School with 14 graduates.
- Better Living for Texas graduated 118 participants as they completed the *Fresh Start to a Healthier* you curriculum. (Grant position).
- Healthy South Texas Big Event included Walk Across Texas Kickoff, Health and Wellness Expo with a first mile walk over 200 participants, over 20 exhibits, 4 demonstrations and 25 volunteers.
- HST/Maintain No Gain 28 community participants completed the MNG challenge with 23 completions of everyone maintaining their weight during the 6 weeks.
- HST Diabetes/Asthma/Zika along with Health Science Center collaborated efforts to assist residents in gaining knowledge on these topics. 14 participated in the Diabetes 1-day course throughout the year. 384 individuals received ZIKA materials.
- HST Walk Across Texas Youth participation in Duval County was 448 youth and 51 adults. The participants completed 36,370.53 miles in the 8 week program, an increase of 8,895.53 miles from the previous year. Total potential economic impact for Duval County of \$531,589.00 an increase of \$227.406.00 from the previous year.
- Learn, Grow, Eat, Go Curriculum was implemented in Norman Thomas Elementary School and Collins Parr Elementary 116 (includes duplicates).

DUVAL COUNTY 2017 Highlights

- HST Ambassadors participated in WAT Kickoff Duval County Health and Wellness Expo, Dinner Tonight – Diabetes Edition, Food Handlers Certification, Youth Ambassadors Health Summit.
- HST Multi-County Dinner Tonight – Diabetes Edition over 50 individuals in attendance.

4H AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Highlights of 4-H and Youth Development in Duval County:

- 101 youth members
- 502 reached through our special interest and school enrichment programs. (LGEG and Zika education)
- 5 4-H Clubs: Mesquite, San Diego, Freer, Benavides and Shooting Sports
- Livestock projects: beef, swine, goat, lamb, poultry, rabbits; Home show: photography, baking, medal and wood projects (101 youth participated in county fair).
- ANR agent meets with the club managers monthly to set dates, charters, budgets, events and fundraisers.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Highlights in Community Economic Development for Duval County are:

- Community Development at Benavides ISD and Duval County Park with Glossbrenner Unit.
- Partnered with Wyatt Ranch for Christmas toy give away, over 400 toys provided for youth in Duval.
- Duval County Fair Association fair board advisor.
- Freer Fair Association fair board advisor.
- SHAC member for Benavides ISD.
- New Generation Medical Academy Board member for Freer ISD
- Partnered with Driscoll Health Plan and Loftin-Vela Dental for a donation of 50 backpacks and school supplies for Freer ISD.

