

TEXAS ASSOCIATION *for* CRIME STOPPERS

Purpose

Texas Association for Crime Stoppers, Inc., a 501(c)(3) organization, exists to promote and encourage member Crime Stoppers organizations by providing developmental and operational support and guidance, and serving as an advocate for all Texas Crime Stoppers programs.

Membership Questions

At TX4CS.com, you'll find answers to many of your questions concerning the Association and membership. Additionally, you may submit your questions to info@TX4CS.com

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Wishlist

TX4CS formed out of a need to protect Crime Stoppers. Without the collective voice and dedicated monitoring afforded by joining together, Texas CS organizations could have—we feel would have—faced another round of potentially damaging legislation. Thanks to the efforts of the TX4CS Board, its members, and outside supporters, that hasn't happened. Instead, the expertise of the Association's members is helping improve the language of §414, Texas Government Code, and things look to be in track for the coming legislative session.

We're dealing with the government, so we can't let down our guard or simply assume everything will go as expected, but we currently don't see any looming problems. Our goals are to:

- ✦ *Protect Tips & Tipsters*
- ✦ *Clarify Reward Payment Authorization*
- ✦ *Secure 20% & Excess Funds*
- ✦ *Define Crime Stoppers*
- ✦ *Clarify/Simplify Excess Funds Calculation*
- ✦ *Clarify/Simplify Excess Funds Expenditures*
- ✦ *Clarify and Secure Territorial Jurisdictions*

Without any organization, we came together to stop HB3690 and SB1730; there's nothing we can't accomplish now that we're working together for the good of Crime Stoppers. There will come a time for you to reach out to your elected representatives, watch your email for notices from the Association.



Membership Benefits

Membership benefits of the Texas Association for Crime Stoppers for member organizations include (see membership welcome packet for complete list of benefits with examples and restrictions):

- Operational and procedural **advice, guidance, and training** from JB Smith, Executive Director, Crime Stoppers of Lufkin, Inc. and Past Chairman, Texas Crime Stoppers Council.
- Fundraising **advice and guidance** from Susan Rogers, Executive Director, Odessa Crime Stoppers, Inc. and Past Member, Texas Crime Stoppers Council.
- **Access** to this newsletter.
- Access to the "**Members Only**" area of www.TX4CS.com with its growing list of resources.
- **Voting rights**; each adult member and member program may vote as a member of the organization and have direct influence over its direction and operation.
- **Legislative influence**; monitoring, reviewing, and suggesting changes to Crime Stoppers-related legislation is a major portion of the Association's work to protect the rights as each Texas Crime Stoppers organization to continue to operate as independent, nonprofit entities. Members will have many opportunities to help guide Texas Crime Stoppers towards a more successful future.

Protecting Crime Stopper Tipsters

Rick Dorman

Executive Director, Abilene Crime Stoppers, Inc.

Crime Stopper programs should protect their tipsters via their bylaws, making sure there are steps in place to ensure anonymity of all tipsters who have contacted a Crime Stoppers program. Another way is to make sure the District Attorney and his assistant attorneys are fully aware of Texas Government Code 414 and the bylaws of your program. Invite them to your meetings and give them copies of your bylaws and government code 414.

On another note, have you given thought about your law enforcement partners? Police department officers and County sheriff's deputies should be trained on how your crime stoppers program operates. If your law enforcement partner has regular training during their patrol briefings, see if your program can incorporate a six-minute power point presentation into their training, to help keep all first line officer's knowledgeable about crime stoppers and how it helps keep your community safe. Also consider including funneling as part of that training. Departments that are seeking accreditation or are already accredited are required to have such trainings to maintain or receive their accreditation.

One other thing to be considered is to have a section on crime stoppers in your law enforcement partners SOP (Standard Operating Procedures or Policies). I have included, as an example, Abilene Police Department's crime stoppers policy; use it to help formulate your own.



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Abilene Police Department Policy on Crime Stoppers

Abilene Crime Stoppers, Inc. is a nonprofit 501(C)(3) organization. A civilian board of directors, comprised of 25 members, broadly representative of the community, oversees the operation of the program and administers the funds received through public contributions and grants. The program has formed a trilateral partnership between the community, the media, and law enforcement in a common goal to combat crime. The crime stoppers program is designed to achieve citizen's interest and involvement through three methods:

- A. Anonymity
- B. The establishment of a reward system that will pay for information leading to the arrest and charges filed on person(s) involved in felony crimes, and misdemeanor cases as allowed by the board of directors.
- C. The selection of an "unsolved crime" wanted person or persons to be featured via a news broadcast, radio spots, and through various social media will be utilized to help law enforcement in solving unsolved cases and wanted persons.

Crime Stoppers Regulations

All policies and procedures outlining the crime stoppers program are governed by the Texas Government Code Chapter 414, the local board of directors, and bylaws of Abilene Crime Stoppers, Inc.

Reward Eligibility

- A. Any person, except as restricted below, who directly contacts crime stoppers and gives information which leads to the arrest and/or charges filed against an adult or the equivalent in a juvenile case, or the arrest of a fugitive wanted in a felony or misdemeanor case, will be eligible for a cash reward.
- B. Members of the Abilene Police Department shall not enter into any agreements with crime stoppers informants / tipsters regarding a specified amount of reward to be paid for their information. The crime stoppers board of directors shall have absolute authority in establishing the policies and procedures of the program, reward payments and the disbursement thereof.
- C. The following persons will not be eligible for a reward
 1. Commissioned law enforcement officers and/or members of their immediate family,
 2. The perpetrator or co-perpetrator of the crime,
 3. Victim of the crime and/or members of their family,
 4. The fugitive, or
 5. Law enforcement informants funneled into the program.

Funneling

- A. Funneling is the process whereby an informant who has already given law enforcement officials information is sent by them to crime stoppers to obtain a reward.
- B. Depending upon the circumstances, such an incident would be considered as
 1. A violation of departmental policy, which would subject the law enforcement officer to administrative discipline,
 2. A fraud perpetrated against a non-profit, charitable corporation (Abilene Crime Stoppers, Inc.),
 3. The criminal offense of perjury if it is discovered that the informant's identity was known to the officer and the informant was not really an anonymous crime stoppers tipster, and the officer had testified falsely in court or made untrue allegations in an affidavit for a warrant,
 4. Grounds for attacking all the officers' and informants' cases for lack of credibility

Tipster Confidentiality

Every tipster shall remain anonymous. At no time shall an officer of the Abilene Police Department attempt to learn the identity of a crime stoppers tipster. The only possible exception to this rule would be where investigation should reveal an informant / tipster is a perpetrator / co-perpetrator / conspirator in the crime in question. To maintain anonymity of an informant / tipster, a code number is issued to the informant / tipster.

On another note: Abilene Crime Stoppers, working with our law enforcement partner, posted an individual on Social Media wanted for Multiple Aggravated Sexual Assault of a Child. Within a short

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Protecting Crime Stoppers Tipsters

period of posting we received a tip on our wanted person. The tip indicated that this person was in another state. Using our P3Tips database I was able to locate a crime stoppers program nearest to the location that was given in our tip. I sent this tip to the program. Within a few days I received an email indicating that the program gave the tip to their State Fugitive Task Force and via our tip and their investigation they were able to locate and arrest our wanted fugitive and were holding him for extradition. This is another example of how Kevin Anderson of P3Tips and his team has truly allowed us to reach across the USA keeping our tipsters anonymous and allow Law Enforcement to keep all of our communities safer.

Sheriff's Association of Texas

We are proud to announce that one of our members, Robertson County Sheriff, Gerald Yezak, was sworn in as the Sheriff's Association of Texas president on July 24, 2018 at the association's 140th annual conference awards banquet in Grapevine, Texas.

The oath was administered by Judge Richard Carter (Ret.) of Arlington, who has worked with Sheriff Yezak for almost thirty years to benefit Crime Stoppers throughout Texas.



Sheriff Gerald Yezak (center) with Judge Carter to his right and surrounded by his Robertson County Crime Stoppers friends

Don't Forget the Small Stuff

JB Smith

Executive Director, Crime Stoppers of Lufkin, Inc.



Investigators regularly call on me to ask for Crime Stoppers' help with a case. It took a long time but I've convinced most of them to come at the beginning of their investigation instead of after everything has gone cold. A while back, an investigator with whom I've solved many crime hesitantly presented me a vehicle burglary. He needed help but noted that the crime was, based upon the initial report, a misdemeanor offense. He didn't want to burden Crime Stoppers or, as he put it, "waste reward money", but solving the case was important to him. I took the case but the initial conversation told me two things; the investigator valued the assistance Crime Stoppers has provided and can provide, and I needed to do a better job of explaining to all investigators exactly how Crime Stoppers operates.

I've never investigated a small or minor crime or criminal. I've investigated many bicycle thefts and broken windows but, to the victims and me, those crimes were as important as any other crime. I'm know of no statute directing a peace officer to ignore a lesser crime in order to remain free to handle the major crime that might occur; we prioritize in the moment but we don't disregard. Still, many CS organizations limit their crime-solving efforts to felony crimes; some going as far as to state within their bylaws that they pay rewards only for felony offenses. While my organization prioritizes solving felony crimes, my board members long ago saw a need for accepting anonymous tips concerning all crimes. There are several things to remember when considering profiling less-than-felony crimes.

It is difficult to determine the punishment level from the offense itself. The vehicle burglary mentioned above, which anonymous tips solved, was punished as a state jail felony due to the offenders' previous convictions. Thefts are another good example; felony punishment might be in store for a candy bar thief with prior convictions, and the same could be true for someone who steals a few dollars worth of aluminum, bronze, copper, or brass. Then there are the gateway crimes such as the theft of a mobile phone or a wallet that turns into identity theft because of the contents of the stolen property. The identity theft might not occur right away, or it might never happen, but you and the investigator won't know the offender's intent until the case is solved.

Profiling "small" crimes brings in tipsters who, one day, might solve another, more serious crime. We do this in schools, paying small rewards for pocket knives and vape pens in order to later address undetected bullying or narcotics activity. To assist in solving any crime, we need to get information to and receive information from the community. Publicizing unsolved misdemeanor crimes puts your organization in front of the same potential tipsters as would a felony crime and the more they see "call Crime Stoppers", the more they associate the organization with unsolved and undiscovered crimes. One of your primary goals has to be becoming the first thing the community thinks of when they have information about a crime. Achieve that and you'll begin solving crimes without having attached the organization's name to a single publication.

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The crimes many people consider "minor", like theft, vehicle burglary, and fraud, affect more people than do the "major" crimes like murder, rape, and robbery. Let your community see that a wallet theft is important to the organization, and the community will see the importance of the organization. Since more people are impacted by minor crimes, it stands to reason that your potential donors have a better chance of being a victim of a misdemeanor than they do a felony. It is much easier to solicit a donation from someone who benefitted from Crime Stoppers, either as an individual victim, a business, or as a family member or friend of a victim. Help the local construction company whose supplies keep walking off the job site and you might turn them into a long term sponsor.

Overlook the lesser crimes and you are likely to miss some serious criminals because few criminals specialize; rapists burgle, robbers commit petty theft, and the FBI sees Contempt of Court as the crime that took down Al Capone. Put a criminal in jail for a misdemeanor and they won't be available to commit the felony. Solve a misdemeanor crime and the offender's booking photos or fingerprints might link them to another unsolved crime.

Whether you currently profile and accept tips for misdemeanor crimes, or not, look at your bylaws. If your bylaws restrict the organization to felony crimes, and you want to assist with the "small stuff", you'll need to amend them before you move forward. Once your bylaws are properly configured, you need to think about rewards and make sure your reward determination schedule is set up to properly reward a misdemeanor.

Make sure you educate your law enforcement officers, from Patrol to Investigations. They must understand how Crime Stoppers works and what assistance you can provide. Patrol officers and investigators are better tools than any media source for reaching tipsters with actual crime-related knowledge.

If your organization has no intention of handling misdemeanor crimes, prepare a standard response for tipsters, victims, law enforcement, and the media. Whatever reason you give, make sure it is the same each time you give it. I've encountered very few tipsters who knew the punishment category of the crime they tipped about so you're going to receive tips on misdemeanors and traffic tickets; how you address the tipster will determine whether they tip again, or not.



Sponsorship Appreciation

Brian Bohn

TX4CS Board Member

Programs which have received a sponsorship from an organization know how difficult it was to convince those organizations that the sponsorship was completely worth the cause it was sponsoring. Only after several sponsorship requests, pleas and meetings, was it usually possible to get someone to sponsor your cause. As such, when the event that was sponsored turns out to be a success, the least you can do is thank the sponsor for making it possible. Appreciating the value of a sponsorship and the gesture itself is extremely important. It also makes the sponsor feel like she/he has contributed to a worthy cause and you can be assured that she/he will at least consider another sponsorship in the future, whenever needed by your program.

I recently worked with a Crime Stoppers Program that has been working since the early 1980's. This program has taken in a good amount of money from sponsorships over the years and has very good statistics to show for its hard work. They have never held a sponsorship appreciation dinner/awards banquet to say thank you for all the help that they have received from within their community over the last 30 plus years. I worked with the program to help them put an appreciation dinner together to say thank you. After the event, the program president said she had numerous sponsors come up to her and other board members thanking them for the dinner and telling them they had no idea what the program did. They also told them that now they now they will continue to sponsor them every year.

The Wichita Falls Crime Stoppers has hosted a sponsorship appreciation/awards dinner as far back as I can remember. This does several things; it allows the program to say thank you to all the sponsors, media and program supporters. Brag about the accomplishments of YOUR program and show that the program works by helping keep criminals off our streets, and keeping our communities a safe place for all of us to live. By showing off your statistics and staying in the public eye, your sponsors will continue to want to be a part of the program. Without our sponsors we would not have the ability to pay our rewards for the tips that come in, so showing our appreciation is the least that we can do. We cannot do this job without our media partners so showing them thanks for getting our messages out to the public is vital; without them no one hears our stories.

In closing, our sponsors keep our programs alive and thriving. Taking a little time to tell them thank you and showing our appreciation is the least that we can all do. Everyone has different ways of doing this and no one program is perfect. Talk to other programs and see what they are doing to say thank you; then pick a little from all and build your own way of telling your sponsors thank you for all your help.

Food for Thought

We, the volunteers who make up Crime Stoppers, are getting older; just look around at meetings, trainings, or conferences (or, for some of us, in the mirror). The "graying" of our workforce is one of the most pressing problems we, and other nonprofits, face. When you age-out of your position, will there be a replacement, trained and ready to take over, or will your organization suffer a leadership vacuum?

Texas Chief Deputies Association



Texas Association for Crime Stoppers is proud to announce that on June 14, 2018, one of our members, Zapata County Sheriff's Office Chief Deputy Raymundo Del Bosque, was sworn in as president of the Texas Chief Deputies Association. Del Bosque has been very active in law enforcement organizations throughout his career while working hard in his community. This position will allow him to network with other law enforcement agencies in search of new methods in law enforcement education.

"I thank everyone who supported me to become president of the Texas Chief Deputies Association and I appreciate all your support and encouraging words. I'm very proud to represent not only my state, but also Zapata County. I'm very proud to represent the great values that this county stands for. Most of all, I want to thank Sheriff Alonso M. Lopez for always being there for me and giving me the opportunity to learn how to be a good leader from him."

—Chief Deputy Del Bosque

"Congratulations to my Chief Deputy Raymundo Del Bosque Jr., on becoming the new Texas Chief Deputy's Association President. I'm very proud of his work, and I'm sure he's going to do a great job during this upcoming year as president."

—Sheriff Alonso M. Lopez, Zapata County Sheriff

Supplement Rewards; Can You Afford Them

JB Smith

Executive Director, Crime Stoppers of Lufkin, Inc.

With the closing of one year and the opening of another, we tend to see things that happened last year has far in the past, even if they occurred only months ago. For Crime Stoppers (CS) organizations, that can result in increased pressure to solve "old" cases, like those that occurred way back in November.

The communities we and law enforcement serve are eager to support us, and well-meaning citizens may offer to fund rewards to help solve cases they feel are dragging-on. Supplemental reward offers, as we call them, are something for which all CS organizations need to prepare. Prepare for, as in having decided before the situation arises how you'll handle supplemental reward offers.

To keep you from having to read to the end to find my recommendation, I'll state clearly here that I am opposed to supplemental rewards. Donations are great but supplemental rewards are complicated. Some readers just turned the page. They believe any offer to fund a reward is a godsend that can't be refused. They think either that their organization couldn't operate without supplemental reward funds or that solving the crime requires a larger reward and they can maneuver around the inherent problems. If you're still reading, know that those people exist in your organization and that you need to be well-versed on the topic in order to guide your organizations to make an informed discussion.

To be clear, a "supplemental reward" is a reward offered by CS but funded by an outside entity. It might be in place of funds offered by the CS organization or added to a CS-funded reward. The funding entity could be anyone, including an individual, a business, a victim, or a law enforcement agency, and supplemental rewards often are an amount greater than the CS organization's standard reward schedule. A donation to the CS organization, to be used as a reward but at the discretion of CS and in accordance with the organization's standard reward schedule, is not a supplemental reward. Take any such donations you can get but make it clear, and in writing, how CS will use the funds. Let's discuss the issues with supplemental rewards.

In short, even with a properly worded written agreement between the outside entity and CS, CS will end up on the wrong end of the supplemental reward stick. Most entities interested in funding a reward are doing so based on an emotional response to the crime, they're angry or frustrated and their knee-jerk reaction doesn't take into account CS rules. Crime Stoppers' history is filled with stories of people who funded a supplemental reward and later pulled the funding or pulled some other stunt that damaged the reputation of CS. They've "investigated" the crime themselves, decided the reward wasn't needed, and demanded the funds be returned. They've publicized their supplemental reward and lured tipsters to contact them directly so they can hand the tipster a giant cardboard check in front of the media. When the reward funds get pulled, CS is left to pay the reward as advertised or deal with the negative publicity and possible breach of contract claims. When a promotional check is given, regardless of how the media covers it, the lasting impression will be that "Crime Stoppers identifies 'anonymous' tipster".

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When a community experiences a major crime—“major” is a relative term that can be applied to anything from murder to a series of burglaries—everyone wants it resolved quickly and offering a larger-than-usual reward seems like a way to make that happen. In truth, there doesn't seem to be a direct correlation between larger rewards and the time it takes to receive a case-solving tip. Even if there were a connection, the repeatable negative effects of supplemental rewards are insurmountable. Imagine a CS organization accepts a supplemental rewards that will double or triple the standard reward amount for a murder; how will it look to the public when the next unsolved murder sees only the standard reward offer of “up to \$1,000”? Will social media warriors wait for the organization's explanation or will the Twittersphere ignite with allegations of racial, gender, religious, or social status discrimination? You're just as likely to face outrage if you offer a larger-than-usual reward for an incident that later turns out to not be a crime, such as a bogus report of robbery or assault. Someone could complain about a standard reward offer in such a case but we turn that around by extending the reward offer to an anonymous tip that assists in clearing the false report case; the person or group funding the supplemental reward might not agree to their money being used that way. After all, it's "just a false report case" and not a robbery.

There are many other issues to consider but, in my opinion, none make the case for supplemental rewards. By consistently offering the same “up to” reward, no matter what the crime or who is the victim, we eliminate the appearance of bias and make it easier to follow our established rules.

Each CS organization must make its own determination regarding supplemental rewards. Whatever the decision, make it before a supplemental reward offer is on the table and after considering all the facts. Don't make the decision in reaction to public opinion or pressure.

One more thing; huge rewards just don't work. I'm happy to debate the need to increase the standard "up to" reward amount from the \$1,000 you offered in 1985 but \$10K, \$50K, \$100K rewards for a specific, high-profile crime is more likely to hinder the investigation than it is to help.

Large rewards can get more media attention, and that attention might help get the information in front of a potential tipster, but that attention can be gained through properly working social media and area media outlets. Any increased attention that a large reward causes will result in people fishing for a reward; throwing out generic, useless, or even made up information to see if they get a bite. The flood of bogus tips overburdens the CS call-takers, coordinators, and investigators. Plus, once the case is solved, the Michael Morton Act will give the defense access to the investigative records that are the product of investigators chasing false leads, and those records will be used to cast doubt on the guilt of the defendant. Those defense attorneys can claim that the large reward was motivation for the tipster to fabricate information or evidence. When we offer a reward, we take great care, at least we're supposed to, to clearly state the actions required to be reward eligible and that the reward amount is not a set amount. Our regular media partners understand this and follow suit. When a large reward offer is picked up by media outlets across the region, state, or nation, odds are they'll report only the large dollar amount and leave out the qualifiers. I challenge you to find a thorough study indicating large rewards are any more effective than the rewards we pay every day.

Training

TX4CS has an advance CS class scheduled for January 22. There's more information on the next page and you can register at:

TX4CS.com

The 24th annual Texas Campus Crime Stoppers Conference is set for February 06-08 in McAllen, and registration is open. You can find information and a register at:

<https://is.gd/SU6JrA>

Monday, February 25, Crime Stoppers of Houston will host an 8-hour *Campus Program Expansion* class at their headquarters in Houston. You can find out about this class and see projected dates for Basic CS classes at: <https://gov.texas.gov/organization/crime-stoppers/in-class-training>

Any TX4CS member organization in need of individualized training may email jbsmith@639TIPS.com

Meetings

The Texas Crime Stoppers Council will meet in McAllen at 9:00 AM Wednesday, February 06, 2019.

Location:

*Embassy Suites by Hilton
McAllen Convention Center
800 Convention Center Blvd
McAllen, Texas 78501*

Council meetings are regulated by the Open Meetings Act and are open to the public. We understand that traveling to Austin for a Wednesday morning meeting doesn't fit into everyone's schedule. Fear not. TX4CS will attend to represent all Association members and to provide you with video of the meeting, usually a live stream (follow us: facebook.com/TX4CS).



Important Dates

The 2019 Crime Stoppers Day in Austin is nearly here. Make plans now to join us Wednesday, February 20, in the Agricultural Museum at the Capitol. See page 13 for details and follow us at facebook.com/tx4cs for updates.

Under [Rule §3.9013](#), Texas Administrative Code (*Title 1, Part 1, Chapter 3, Subchapter H*), all certified Crime Stoppers organizations must submit quarterly statistical reports. Public Policy Research Institute (PPRI) at Texas A&M University manages the reporting for the Office of the Governor and reports, due no later than **January 31**, April 30, July 31, and October 31 of each year, are submitted online at: <https://cjd.tamu.edu/>

Did you enter any articles, photos, videos, or recordings for the Texas Best awards? More information is available at: gov.texas.gov/organization/crime-stoppers/texas-best-awards

Training

Crime Stoppers: Beyond the Basics

TX4CS is offering valuable Crime Stoppers training January 22, 2019, in Conroe. We are disappointed that, despite multiple requests to and meetings with the Texas Crime Stoppers Council and the Office of the Governor, this class has not been approved to fulfill any of the 16 hours of training required continuing certification. The Association will continue its diligent efforts to see types and sources of training approved for meeting certification requirements. Regardless of the outcome, TX4CS is committed to offering advanced crime stoppers training across the state, filling a roll once covered by the Governor's Office. Our trainers, including Susan Rogers and JB Smith, have designed a class intended to go far beyond the "Basic Crime Stoppers" course. **Visit TX4CS.com to register.** Space is limited.

The class is meant to be tailored to the needs of the individual attendees. Please, send your questions and hopes for this training to info@TX4CS.com

Whether you have a burning desire to know more about IRS 990s, have questions about a specific fundraising idea, have been wanting to ask "what is Twitter", don't understand how to dispo a tip, are struggling to engage your area LE personnel, or have any other CS-related issue, we can help. Send your questions and ideas, and we'll provide the answers January 22.

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**CRIME STOPPERS:
BEYOND THE BASICS**



**Montgomery County Sheriff's Office
Clint People's Training Academy
112 Academy Drive, Conroe, TX 77301**

Take your Crime Stoppers knowledge to the next level with training from experts in crime stoppers, marketing, nonprofit operations, and law enforcement. This fast-paced course dives deep into the topics most requested by CS organizations, including: Nonprofit Tax Exemptions, Fundraising, Social Media, Best Practices, and Law Enforcement Engagement.

Space is limited

Register through Texas Association for Crime Stoppers' website TX4CS.com

\$25 for TX4CS Members

\$125 for Non-Members

Lunch Included

Presenters:

Susan Rogers, Odessa CS

JB Smith, CS of Lufkin

Tania Cruz, CS of Houston

William Heuberger, Lamar County CS

Need more information? Contact us at: INFO@TX4CS.COM

CRIME STOPPERS DAY
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HOSTED BY
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Wednesday, February 20, 2019
10:00 to 11:00 AM
Texas State Capitol
Agricultural Museum
Room 1W.14

The 2019 Crime Stoppers Day in Austin is set for Wednesday, February 20, in the Agricultural Museum at the Capitol (Room 1W.14, first floor at West Lobby entrance). We have the room from 10:00 to 11:00 AM, and then we'll separate to meet with our respective elected representatives and their staff. Your goal: face-to-face contact with regulatory and legislative leaders to show them Crime Stoppers' engagement and motivation. We need their support to ensure positive legislative changes occur and to prevent the loss of statutory protections and funding. Most legislators will be in Austin February 20 but you should contact the offices of your representatives to let them know you'll be in the Capitol and that you'll want to meet with them. Follow us at facebook.com/tx4cs for updates.