

TIP SHEET

DECEMBER 2018 EDITION



24th Annual Campus Crime Stoppers Conference

McAllen, Texas
February 6-8, 2019
Host: La Joya ISD Campus Crime Stoppers

Early Bird Registration Extension

November 7, 2018-January 11, 2019
\$170/person

Exhibitor Fees

\$300/booth which includes 1 table, 2 chairs, admission to conference sessions, events, meals for two people. Exhibit policies and guidelines can be found on the registration website.

Additional booth "operators" will register as a conference attendee at the current registration rate.

Payment Details

Payment can be made via Paypal.com to La Joya ISD Campus Crime Stoppers using the following email address:
d.torres4@lajoyaisd.net

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.

Additional payment options are listed on the website.
All checks are due within 14 days of registration.

Important Dates to Remember:

- 01/11/2019- Last Day of Early Conference Registration
- 01/12/2019- Standard Registration Rate is \$250
- 01/15/2019- Last Day to Make Hotel Reservations at Special Rate at La Quinta Hotel
- 01/22/2019- Last Day to Make Hotel Reservations at Special Rate at Cambria Hotel
- 01/11/2019- Last Day to Make Cancellations (\$50 Processing Fee will be Applied)
- 01/12/2019- No Refunds for Cancellations Made After 01/11/2019

Hotel Details

La Quinta Inn & Suites
801 S. Ware Rd
McAllen TX 78501
Phone: 956-682-6765
\$91.00/night (includes continental breakfast)

To obtain the Crime Stoppers group rate please book by 01/15/2019

Cambria Hotel & Suites
701 S. Ware Rd.
McAllen TX 78501
Phone: 956-618-7207
\$91.00/night (includes continental breakfast)

To obtain the Crime Stoppers group rate please book by 01/22/2019

Embassy Suites Hotel
800 Convention Center Blvd.
McAllen TX 78501
Phone: 956-688-8329
\$93.00/night

To obtain the Crime Stoppers group rate please book by 01/22/2019

AMBASSADOR'S CORNER

Hello, my name is Jonathan Booker and I am a sophomore at Burkburnett High School. In the two years I have been apart of Crime Stoppers, we have been trying to build the program at our school.

Unfortunately, the sponsor my freshman year transferred within our school district, but we have a new sponsor and she is eager and willing to build our program. During this year, our main focus is getting the word out. We have made posters and handed out compliment business cards with our logo on them.

Also, we have many ideas that we hope to bring to life in the future, such as a basketball game between our varsity team and our police department. Last year, it seemed like every news headline was another school shooting, so I joined Crimestoppers to make sure it does not happen at our school. It's reasons like these that we need Crimestoppers to be active in not just our school, but our state as well. Overall, I hope to have a great year and I cannot wait to see what we accomplish.

- Jonathan Booker, Student Ambassador
Burkburnett High School Campus Crime Stoppers

Happy Holidays from our Team to Yours!

We wish you and your families a very safe and happy holiday season.



HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS FROM THE STATE TEAM

Again we find the holiday season us upon us. In the spirit of keeping Texans safe during this festive time we would like to remind you of a few safety tips to keep in mind over the coming weeks.

At Home:

Be vigilant about locking doors and windows whether you are at home or out

When you leave the house leave a few lights on inside as well as a front porch light, television and/or radio.

Large gifts should not be visible through windows

Automatic timers are suggested for both indoor and outdoor lights

Have your keys in your hand before you reach the car door or front door

Keep a secure hold on your belongings when arriving home after dark

Shopping:

Stay alert to your surroundings when at the malls and in parking lots

Be aware of strangers approaching you for any reason; pick-pockets, thieves, and con-artists may try to distract you in order to take your money or valuables

Avoid carrying large amounts of cash

Park under lights in parking lots or along the streets and when possible avoid shopping after dark.

Park as close to your destination as possible.

Shop in pairs or with a group

Ask mall security for an escort before leaving your location

Traveling:

Keep a close eye on wallets, purses, etc. when in crowded areas like transportation terminals, bus stops, on buses or other public transit.

Ensure car doors are locked and windows are closed when you exit your vehicle.

Protect your PIN number at ATM machines and gas stations by shielding the key pad

Arrange for a neighbor to collect mail while you are out of town for an extended period of time

FRIENDLY REMINDERS

PFRR

Probation Fee Repayment Reports deadline is January 31st, 2019 at 5:00 PM.
Applications and supporting documentation must be included in your submission.
Forms can be accessed through the Texas Crime Stoppers website on the Resource tab.

Forms can also be accessed here: PFRR Form 2018

Crime Stoppers Assistance Fund

This announcement supports certified Texas Crime Stoppers Organizations during the state fiscal year 2019 grant cycle.

The State of Texas wants to encourage and fund local Crime Stoppers organizations. This is an overview of elements of the opportunity. Complete information is in the funding announcement. Eligible applicants can respond to the funding announcement by completing an application in eGrants (<http://eGrants.gov.texas.gov>).

Priority will be given to state agencies, annual Crime Stoppers conference and Campus Crime Stoppers conference hosts, local organizations, campus organizations and local organizations with campus umbrella or safe school campus programs.

Applications are set to open on December 14, 2018- February 21, 2019. If you have any questions please contact Douglas Brodie at Texas Crime Stoppers or contact the eGrants help desk at eGrants@gov.texas.gov

NEW: Computerized tip management software is now an eligible expense!!

Quarterly Reporting PPRI

All 2018 4th quarter reports are due by January 31st.
Reports are submitted here: <https://cjd.tamu.edu/>

Additional Resources:

TX4CS Training- Crime Stoppers: Beyond the Basics

Date: January 22, 2019

Time: 8:00AM - 5:00 PM

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



Please register for training through the PayPal website using email address wsh@tx4cs.com and be sure to include the name of the participant in the notes section of payment page.

Training course eligible for 8-hours of TCOLE training however this training is not Texas Crime Stoppers Council certified and does not factor toward any continuing certification requirements as outlined by the Council.

Space is limited.



MEETINGS & TRAININGS

Texas Crime Stoppers Council Meeting

Date: Wednesday, February 6, 2019

Time: 9:00 AM

Location: Embassy Suites McAllen Convention Center
800 Convention Center Blvd.
McAllen, TX 78501

NOTE: The Texas Crime Stoppers Council meetings are an open meeting and we invite you to join us!

Office of Public Safety, Homeland Security- E-Grants Training (Council Certified Training)

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.

The Texas Crime Stoppers Council has approved the Office of the Governor's eGrants training as part of the approved training for continued certification requirements.

Upcoming Training Dates & Locations:

Lower Rio Grande Valley - January 15-17, 2019

Webiner (ONLINE) - February 20, 2019

Austin, Texas - March 14, 2019

Houston, Texas - April 23-25, 2019

Dallas, Texas - July 23-25, 2019

REGISTER HERE: https://fs3.formsite.com/OOG_HSGD/eGrntTrng/index.html

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