Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi
Community Outreach

Our Mission: The Office of Community Outreach is dedicated to achieving the imperatives of Momentum 2015 by building successful community/University partnerships, engaging faculty and students, and providing programs to meet community needs.

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2004-2005 Highlights

Community Engagement
- Heart Gallery of South Texas created by College of Arts and Humanities students to raise awareness of local foster children seeking permanent adoptive families
- College of Business management students planned and implemented renovation of community center at North Side Manor

Education & Youth
- GO Centers at 15 area high schools to encourage and assist students with clearing the hurdles to enter college or other post-secondary training
- Hosted workshop to promote improved lines of communication between local school districts and the area higher education institutions
- Youth Summer Camps ranging from basketball, band, and science to young authors camps and serving over 1200 youth

Events & Conferences
- American Society for Engineering Educators Annual Conference
- 2005 Advanced Placement Teachers Summer Institute
- Texas Association of Student Councils Leadership Conferences
- American Diabetes Association Camp Sand Castle

Environment
- Oil & Oily Bilgewater Recovery Units designed and installed to recover contaminated bilgewater and waste engine oil previously dumped in area bays
- AutoCheck vehicle emissions screening to identify and reduce emissions from high-polluting vehicles
- Organize annual Clean Air Fair to raise community awareness of air quality issues
- Conducted area emission inventory of over 200 oil and gas field operations and coordinating emission reduction technologies research for the industry
- Kayak camps to educate participants on coastal environmental issues

Family Life Center
- Provided over 700 hours of intensive violence prevention programming at Haas Middle School to at-risk middle school students and their families
- Served over 125 middle school students and families

Workforce & Economic Development
- Provided Leadership and Communication training workshops for CCAD personnel
- Collaborated with United Way, Y.O.U. and Volunteer Center to launch Coastal Bend Community Capacity Building network to assist nonprofits build their management skills
- Partnered with regional tourism and environmental organizations to assess viability of ecotourism as a sustainable development strategy for the Coastal Bend