

## SRPLN FCS State Report 2012

**Reporting Institution:**  1862  1890 (check one)

**Name of Institution:** Texas AgriLife Extension Service – TAMU System

### **Budget Situation:**

Texas AgriLife Extension dealt with a state budget reduction of just over 11 % for the new biennium beginning September 1, 2011. There is some potential for an additional 2.5% reduction mid-biennium, as we move into September 2012.

### **Staffing Update (field and state office):**

5 State

556 County (175 FCS-CEA)

27 Administrative/Mid-Managers (Program Management (RPDs) 8; Supervisory (DEAs) 12)

### **How Institution is Addressing the Situation:**

The agency has expanded an initiative of partial cost recovery, reduced positions where necessary, and continues to maintain some faculty and staff on grant funded projects.

Family Development and Resource Management developed a very successful online course system with a primary focus on continuing education for child care providers and seeks grant funding; currently, there are 18 budgeted positions that are partially supported by grants and contracts and 37 positions funded completely by grants.

The Foods and Nutrition Unit is also developing on-line courses and continues to seek out grants and contracts that support the Agency strategic plan for FCS.

### **Top 3 Program Highlights of Current Year: (program, collaborators, impacts)**

[http://fcs.tamu.edu/fcs\\_programs/index.php](http://fcs.tamu.edu/fcs_programs/index.php)

- ***iSi, Yo Puedo Controlar Mi Diabetes!*** (*Yes, I Can Control My Diabetes!*) Evidence informed, culturally relevant type 2 diabetes self-management education program targeting Texas Hispanic/Latinos with diabetes and low literacy.
- **Walk Across Texas!** WAT was designed in 1996 to help establish the habit of regular physical activity. AgriLife Extension partnered with employees in many state agencies, including the Texas Education Agency (TEA). Goal was to motivate the agency employees to be physically active to earn 8 hours leave time. School districts employees, students, and their families participated too. Significant activity increases occurred in each category. <http://walkacrosstexas.tamu.edu> .

- **Dinner Tonight!** Program encourages family mealtime by providing quick, nutritious, cost effective recipes to consumers through weekly video webcasts and other web based methods. <http://healthyliving.tamu.edu/>

**New or Unique Collaborations and/or Funding Sources:**

“Cancer Risk Reduction and Early Detection Education”. Funded by the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT) to support agents activities providing cancer risk reduction and early detection particularly for underserved groups living in rural areas.

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