

SRPLN FCS State Report 2014

Reporting Institution: 1862 1890 (check one)

Name of Institution __ Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

Budget Situation: Stable.

Staffing Update (field and state office):

Stable.

How Institution is Addressing the Situation:

Hiring replacements and new positions as quickly as possible.

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

- **Child Care Provider Training.** County Extension agents and their community partners conducted 31 child care provider training conferences throughout the state of Texas for 3,225 child care providers and directors who provide care for more than 47,500 children enrolled in 863 child care centers or family day homes. Over 19,800 clock hours of training were provided to child care professionals. In addition to the face-to-face conferences, early childhood educators in the U.S. completed 144,088 online courses in 2013 (237,094 clock hours). Child care providers were able to meet 20 hour requirement for continuing education.
- **Working on Wellness in Starr County, A Community Transformation Grant.** Increased access to healthy food with mobile farmer's market, community and school gardens. Increased access to physical activity by reclaiming and renovating two parks, and adding five walking trails.
- **Friend to Friend, A Cancer Screening Project.** 638 mammograms and 532 Pap tests were provided to uninsured women in 40-50 rural and border counties.

New or Unique Collaborations and/or Funding Sources:

Department of Family and Protective Services,

Collaborative for Children.

Department of State Health Services.

Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas.

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