



United Way of South Texas  
Serving Hidalgo & Starr Counties

# LIVE UNITED

October 25, 2018



## Volunteer South Texas Holiday Fair

We invite you to attend our Volunteer South Texas Holiday Fair:

**When:** Tuesday, November 6  
**Time:** 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.  
**Where:** United Way of South Texas, 113 W. Pecan Blvd. McAllen, TX 78501

Come see the faces of our registered non-profit agencies and learn of current needs and projects that you can help with, especially during the holidays. Agencies that will be at the fair are registered on our online Volunteer South Texas platform. The use of this platform is free of charge for non-profit agencies, governmental entities and community volunteers, including high school students, college students and adult volunteers. Visit [volunteersotx.org](http://volunteersotx.org) and create your free profile today!

## Operation Reveille for Veterans

The RGV Community Veterans Engagement Board will host Operation Reveille, a free informational event for veterans.

**When:** Thursday, November 8  
**Time:** 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.  
**Where:** South Texas College, Student Union, 3201 W. Pecan Blvd. McAllen, TX 78501

Veteran attendees need to bring photo identification, DD 214, and a VA Benefits Letter. This documentation will help determine if veterans or their loved ones can qualify for health benefits, employment assistance, living expenses, education assistance and burial expenses. Child care will be provided for ages 4-12 and refreshments and door prizes will be provided. Please share this info!

**Phone:** (956) 686-6331  
113 W. Pecan Blvd.  
McAllen, TX 78501



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## 2018 United Way of South Texas Campaign Highlights



2018 H-E-B Coordinators with Campaign Chair Lisa Killion and Past Campaign Chair Bob Tellez

Thank you supporters and volunteers! United Way of South Texas has already conducted approximately 700 campaign presentations at companies, schools, municipalities, counties and agencies.

The 2018 Campaign Chair Lisa Killion, South Texas Health System, and the Board thank the following companies for scheduling their Employee Campaigns or for making their corporate gifts in August: AT&T/CWA, Aztec Realty, BBVA Compass, City of Edinburg, City of McAllen, City of Mission, City of Rio Grande City, City of Roma, Edcouch-Elsa ISD, Edinburg CISD, Falcon Bank, Frost Bank, H-E-B & H-E-B RSC, IBC Bank, La Joya ISD, Law Office of Hilda G. Garza, Magic Valley Electric Co-op, McAllen Chamber of Commerce, McAllen ISD, Mercedes ISD, Mission CISD, Monte Alto ISD, PSJA ISD, Region One ESC, Rexnord, Rio Grande City CISD, Roma ISD, Sam's Clubs, Sharyland ISD, South Texas Buick-GMC, South Texas ISD, Starr County, Starr County Memorial Hospital, Target Stores, United Parcel Service (UPS), Valley Trophies, Walmart Stores, Walmart Neighborhood Market Stores, Wells Fargo, and Weslaco ISD.

We also thank the following Partner Agencies for participating in the Pacesetter Campaign: Boys and Girls Clubs of Edinburg, Boys and Girls Club of McAllen, Boys and Girls Club of Pharr, CASA, Community Council-RGV, Girls Scouts, Palmer Drug Abuse Program, Serving Children & Adults in Need, Starr Co. Victims of Domestic Violence Program, Su Casa de Esperanza, The Salvation Army and United Way of South Texas.

The momentum continues as other companies continue to kick-off this fall: AEP Texas, City of Hidalgo, City of Mercedes, Dillard's, GE Aviation, Greater State Bank, Hidalgo County, La Villa ISD, Navy Army CCU, NuStar Energy, Plains Capital Bank, S&B Infrastructure, Security Service FCU, South Texas Health System, Sprint, Superior Health and Texas Gas Service.

If your company has not yet scheduled presentations for the 2018 Campaign, it is not too late. Join other Community Leaders and help ensure that United Way makes the greatest impact through critical community services for over 250,000 residents in Hidalgo and Starr Counties.



The United Way of South Texas Education Council met in late September and distributed \$2,000 grants to the following school districts: Edcouch-Elsa ISD, McAllen ISD, Monte Alto ISD, Rio Grande CISD and Roma ISD. The school districts use the grants to help students in extenuating circumstances meet their basic needs. Pictured with school representatives are Thelma Garza, United Way STX; Dr. Marla Guerra, Superintendent of South Texas ISD.; and Board Members Edna Garcia, Security Service FCU, Paola E. Castillo, Frost Bank, and Fito Mercado, UTRGV.

## VITA Trainings

We are looking for VITA volunteers!  
Please contact us for details.

### Training/Intro to VITA (5:30-7:30 p.m.)

Nov. 13, 2018  
Nov. 15, 2018

### VITA Certification (8 a.m. - 1 p.m.)

December 1, 2018 *Only for Site Coordinators*  
December 8, 2018

### VITA Certification (8 a.m. - 1 p.m.)

Jan. 5, 2019  
Jan. 12, 2019  
Jan. 19, 2019  
Jan. 26, 2019

United Way fights for the Health, Education, and Financial Stability of every person in every community.