



Office of the President and Chief Executive Officer 1122 Colorado Street, 24th Floor Austin, TX 78701

Telephone: (512) 486-6200 Fax: (512) 486-6206

texas-ec.org

Congratulations on being selected to represent your co-op on the 2023 Government-in-Action Youth Tour to Washington, D.C.

You are now part of a select group of high school students from electric cooperatives across the U.S. who have participated in this program through the generations. Many of those participants are now in leadership positions in local, state and national government as a result of their experiences in our nation's capital. Many more say it was a turning point in their lives that led them to service careers in health care, justice and education. We hope this experience will enrich your life, as well.

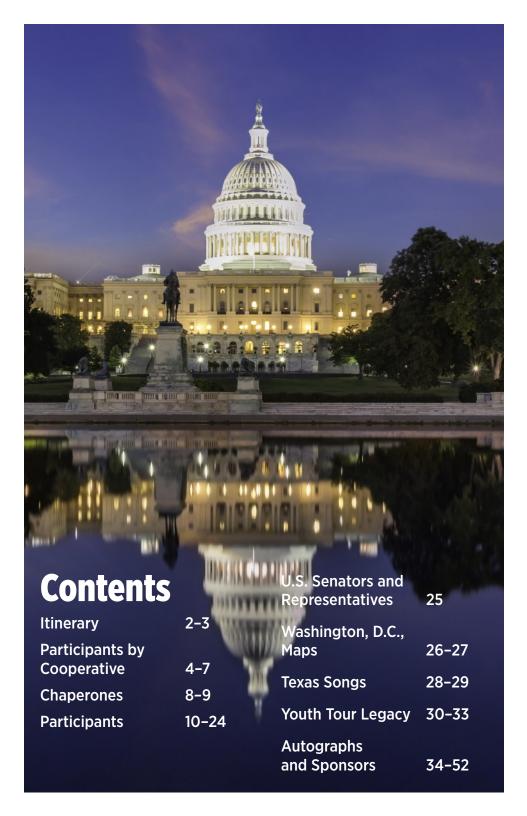
During this trip, you will visit congressional representatives from your district in the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives. You will tour the halls of the U.S. Supreme Court, the guardian of our Constitution and freedoms. You will see awe-inspiring historical shrines, such as the Lincoln Memorial and the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall.

While in Washington, you are a privileged ambassador for your community, for Texas and for the electric cooperative program. We are very proud of you.

On behalf of the electric cooperatives of Texas, we commend you and wish you safe travels.

Sincerely,

Mike Williams
President/CEO



Itinerary

SUNDAY, June 11

- Arrival in Austin | Registration
- Orientation
- Dinner



MONDAY, June 12

- Tour Texas State Cemetery
- Tour Capitol and Visitors Center | Picnic lunch
- · Dinner at Hotel and Ice Breaker Activity



TUESDAY, June 13

- Arrive in Washington, D.C.
- Tour National Cathedral
- Iwo Jima Parade



WEDNESDAY, June 14

- Photo session on Capitol Hill
- Visit Congressional Representatives | Tour US Capitol
- · Lunch on Capitol Hill
- Visit Supreme Court and Library of Congress
- Dinner at Pentagon City Mall



THURSDAY, June 15

- Breakfast at Royal Restaurant and Cafe, Old Town Alexandria
- Tour Museum of the Bible
- Picnic at National Mall
- Tour memorials
- Tour Holocaust Museum
- · Dinner at Old Town Alexandria



FRIDAY, June 16

- · Photo session at the White House
- Explore Smithsonians
- · Dinner at KC Café, Kennedy Center
- Performance at Kennedy Center



SATURDAY, June 17

- Tour Arlington National Cemetery
- Wreath-Laying Ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier
- Picnic at U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial (Iwo Jima)
- Tour Monuments
- Youth Day Dinner
- Youth Day Program



SUNDAY, June 18

- Breakfast at Royal Café Restaurant and Café, Old Town
- Visit and Lunch at Mount Vernon
- Potomac River Boat Cruise and Dance on the Spirit of Mount Vernon



MONDAY, June 19

- Return to Austin
- Farewell celebration dinner and talent show
- Texas Boot Scootin' Dance
- TUESDAY, June 20
- Farewells
- Check out at TEC Youth Tour registration desk









Participants by Co-op

Bailey County EC

David Marricle, President/CEO P.O. Box 1013, Muleshoe, TX 79347 Participants:

Margie McCrary, Muleshoe Kinley Coker, Muleshoe

Bandera EC

William Hetherington, CEO P.O. Box 667, Bandera, TX 78003 Participants:

Tristan Diller, Boerne Nolan Haecker, Bandera Alexa Tebon-Quintanilla, Boerne Noah Zubyk, Lakehills

Bartlett EC

Brvan Lightfoot 27492 Hwy. 95, Bartlett, TX 76511 Participants:

Audie Faucett, Bartlett

Big Country EC

Mark McClain, General Manager P.O. Box 518, Roby, TX 79543-0518 Participants: Jaden Flores, Aspermont

Shelby Saffel, Rule Essence Lewis, Haskell Jack Bell, Aspermont Ben Metler, Stamford

Bluebonnet EC

Matt Bentke, General Manager/CEO P.O. Box 729, Bastrop, TX 78602 Participants:

J.T. Thomas, Elgin Tara Williams, Cedar Creek

Bowie-Cass EC

Mark Boyd, Manager P.O. Box 47. Douglassville, TX 75560 Participants:

Carlee Heldt. Bivins Luke Moore, Atlanta

Bryan Texas Utilities

Gary Miller, General Manager P.O. Box 1000, Bryan, TX 77805 Participants:

Maci Nash, Hearne Tristan Brown, Bryan Chris Ford, Bryan Melanie Guerra, College Station

Central Texas EC

Atanacio "Tachi" Hinojosa, CEO 386 Friendship Lane Fredericksburg, TX 78624 Participants:

Kaymie Alba, Mason Sophia Dargahi, Austin Gabriella Sifford, Fredericksburg Cameron Williams, Ingram

Cherokee County EC

Greg Jones, Manager P.O. Box 257, Rusk, TX 75785 Participant:

Jackson Dowling, Rusk

Coleman County EC

Synda Smith, CEO/General Manager P.O. Box 860 Coleman, TX 76834-0860 Participants:

Ashlyn Richards, Wingate Kameryn Schwertner, Miles

Comanche Electric

Alan Lesley, General Manager P.O. Box 729, Comanche, TX 76442 Participants:

Samuel Schuetz, Gustine Ethan Pallette, Early

Concho Valley EC

Kelly Lankford, Executive VP/CEO P.O. Box 3388, San Angelo, TX 76902 Participants:

Payton Casarez, San Angelo Paige Hohensee, Miles Catherine Wearden, San Angelo

CoServ EC

Donnie Clary, President and CEO 7701 S. Stemmons, Corinth, TX 76210

Owen Oppenheimer, Flower Mound Ethan Rine. Justin Rishi Srivatsan, Frisco Rylie Dean, Valley View Erica Fahrenthold. Prosper Citlali Gonzalez Larios. Carrollton Harshu Varanasi. Frisco

Deaf Smith EC

Tim Burkhalter, General Manager P.O. Box 753, Hereford, TX 79045 Participants:

Paul Betzen, Hereford Aubrey Schueler, Friona Emma Schueler, Friona Charlie Trimble. Muleshoe

Deep East Texas EC

Bryan Wood, General Manager P.O. Box 736, San Augustine, TX 75972 Participants:

Mary Kate Hill, Nacogdoches Kason Parker, Shelbyville

Fannin County EC

John Ed Shinpaugh, General Manager P.O. Box 250, Bonham TX, 75418 Participants:

Lexi Phillips, Dodd City **Sam Fazzino,** Van Alstyne

Favette EC

Gary Nietsche, General Manager P.O. Box 490, La Grange, TX 78945 Participants:

Delanev Turlington. La Grange

Fort Belknap EC

Kendall Montgomery, General Manager P.O. Box 486, Olney, TX 76374 Participant:

Lainey Townsley, Breckenridge

Golden Spread EC

Kari Hollandsworth, President and CEO 905 South Fillmore, Amarillo, TX 79101 Participants:

Masyn Friemel, Wildorado Tarvn Golden. Littlfield

Grayson-Collin EC

David McGinnis, General Manager/CEO P.O. Box 548, Van Alstyne, TX 75495 Participants:

Kamber Puebla, Gunter **Kade Ramer,** Van Alstyne **Jacob Tagert,** Van Alstyne

Greenbelt EC

Randy White, General Manager/CEO P.O. Box 948, Wellington, TX 79095 Participants:

Emma Flores, Wellington **Kendra Bawcom,** Wellington

Hamilton EC

Cody Lasater, General Manager P.O. Box 753, Hamilton, TX 76531 Participants:

Douglas Thomas, Lometa **Brayden Dean,** Lometa

Heart of Texas EC

Brandon Young, General Manager P.O. Box 357, Mcgregor, TX 76657 Participant:

Lily Coronado, Valley Mills Blake Underwood. Crawford

HILCO

Thomas Cheek, General Manager/CEO P.O. Box 127, Itasca, TX 76055 Participants:

Cadence Edwards, Grandview **Emily Jackson,** Midlothian

Houston County EC

Kathi Calvert, General Manager P. O. Box 52, Crockett, TX 75835 Participants:

Emily Farmer, Kennard Mary Nesbitt, Groveton Troy Shupak, Lovelady

Jasper-Newton EC

Mark Tamplin, General Manager 812 S. Margaret Ave., Kirbyville, TX 75956 Participants:

Olivia Crawford, Lumberton Samantha Hatcher, Orange Brady Neal, Jasper

Karnes EC

Brad Bierstedt, Manager P.O. Box 7, Karnes City, TX 78118 Participant:

Shelby Dambeck, McCoy

Lamar County EC

Bryan Story, General Manager/CEO P.O. Box 580, Paris, TX 75461 Participants:

Brennan Plett, Sumner **Gus Tietjen,** Bogata

Lamb County EC

Blake Moore, General Manager/CEO 2415 S. Phelps Ave., Littlefield, TX 79339 Participants:

Riley Edens, Sudan Lauren Turpen, Littlefield

Participants by Co-op continued

Lighthouse EC

Albert Daniel, General Manager P.O. Box 600, Floydada, TX 79235 Participants:

Riley Lindley, Memphis **Cristin Kemp,** Floydada

Lyntegar EC

Albert Daniel, General Manager P.O. Box 600, Floydada, TX 79235 Participants:

Bailey Pennell, Post **Charlie Herring,** Friona

Magic Valley EC

Brian Acosta, General Manager P.O. Box 267, Mercedes, TX 78570 Participants:

Albert Garcia, Edinburg Sebastian Lugo, Alton Sophia Trevino, Edinburg Oscar Valdez, McAllen

Medina EC

Trey Grebe, CEO P.O. Box 370, Hondo, TX 78861 Participants:

Breanna Slaughter, D'Hanis **Abby Arnett,** D'Hanis **Molly Lessing,** Hondo

MidSouth EC

Kerry Kelton, General Manager P.O. Box 970, Navasota, TX 77868 Participants:

Matthew Sosa, Navasota Samara Hammack, Anderson Bonnie Hamby, Montgomery Delaney Callaham, Madisonville Tyreke Ford, Montgomery

Navasota Vallev EC

Steve Jones, CEO P.O. Box 848, Franklin, TX 77856 Participants: **Wyatt Pickering.** Hilltop Lakes

Wade Stallones, Franklin North Plains EC

Randy Mahannah, General Manager P.O. Box 1008, Perryton, TX 79070 Participants:

Ella Walser, Canadian **Amri Melton,** Muleshoe

Nueces EC

Varzavand "Avan" Irani, CEO 14353 Cooperative Ave. Robstown, TX 78380 Participants:

Sierra Gonzalez, Orange Grove **Ian Mayberry,** Kingsville

Pedernales EC

Julie Parsley, CEO P. O. Box 1, Johnson City TX 78636 Participants:

Lisa Montoya, Spring Branch Anna Temple, Austin Mousab Eltgani, Leander Amelia Perez, Johnson City Aedan McLennan, Burnet Sean McColl, Cedar Park Sydney Lee, Cedar Park Mallika Jade, Round Rock Sujana Ganganamani, Austin Kami Stewart, Meadowlakes

PenTex Energy

Neil Hesse, General Manager P. O. Box 530, Muenster, TX 76252 Participants:

Katie Becker, Muenster

Rayburn Country EC

David Naylor, General Manager P. O. Box 37, Rockwall, TX 75087 Participants:

Allison Adcock, Rockwall Haley Adcock, Rockwall Garrett Bell, Rockwall Trent Geiger, Rockwall Caleb Huddleston, Montalba

Rusk County EC

Rhett Reid, General Manager P.O. Box 1169, Henderson, TX 75653 Participants:

Carlee Reeves, Mount Enterprise Kip Travis, Carthage

San Bernard EC

Mike Ables, General Manager P.O. Box 1208, Bellville, TX 77418 Participants:

Grace Jackson, Columbus **Cody King,** Bellville **Sarah Butler,** Bellville

San Patricio EC

Ron Hughes, General Manager P.O. Drawer 400, Sinton, TX 78387 Participants:

Rani Bhakta, Corpus Christi

South Plains EC

Dale Ancell, General Manager P.O. Box 1830, Lubbock, TX 79408 Participants:

Gunnir Bateman, Spur Corbin Daniel, Childress Clancey Harris, Childress David Kendrick, Shallowater

South Plains Operation Round Up

Dale Ancell, General Manager P.O. Box 1830, Lubbock, TX 79408 Participants:

Melania Ramirez, Afton Meg Ridens, Childress Gracie Potter, Shallowater

Ava Sims, Lubbock

Southwest Rural EC

Jeff Simpson, CEO P.O. Box 310, Tipton, OK 73570 Participant:

Caleb Rutledge, Vernon

Southwest Texas EC

William Whitten, General Manager P.O. Box 677, Eldorado, TX 76936 Participants:

Izzy Morales, Menard Seth Parker, Eldorado

Swisher EC

Dwain Tipton, General Manager P. O. Box 67, Tulia, TX 79088 Participants:

Austin Esch, Canyon **Airen Sharber,** Canyon

Taylor EC

Ryan Bartlett, President/CEO P.O. Box 250, Merkel, TX 79536 Participants:

Arlette Huerta, Merkel Ruff Graham, Merkel RyAnne Morris, Merkel Abbi Siller, Abilene

Tri-County EC

Darryl Schriver, General Manager/CEO 600 N.W. Parkway, Azle, TX 76020 Participants:

Jackson Babb, Aledo
Cameron Davis, Weatherford
Ria Gupta, Keller
Layton McAdams, Seymour
Steven Reed, Millsap
Camila Vivanco Reynaud, Southlake

Trinity Valley EC

Jeff Lane, General Manager/CEO P.O. Box 888, Kaufman, TX 75142 Participants:

Ethan Gonzales, Tennessee Colony **Dylan Stinson,** Kaufman

United Cooperative Services

Cameron Smallwood, General Manager P.O. Box 1809, Burleson, TX 76097 Participants:

Halley Hendrick, Lipan Shyley Hamilton, Bluff Dale

Upshur Rural EC

Robert Walker, General Manager P.O. Box 70, Gilmer, TX 75644 Participant:

Rylee Murphy, Gilmer

Victoria EC

Blaine Warzecha, General Manager 102 S. Ben Jordan, Victoria, TX 77901 Participants:

Morgan Korinek. Victoria

Wharton County EC

Gary Raybon, General Manager/CEO P. O. Box 31, El Campo, TX 77437 Participants:

Bridget Dorotik, El Campo **Zoe Schulz,** El Campo

Wise EC

Rayce Cantwell, General Manager P.O. Box 269, Decatur, TX 76234 Participants:

Kenzie Short, Nocona Miranda Segovia, Anna

Wood County EC

Trey Teaff, CEO/General Manager P.O. Box 1827, Quitman, TX 75783 Participants:

Addison Marcee, Quitman Lani Holly, Mineola

Youth Tour Chaperones





ESTHER DOMINGUEZ, DIRECTOR
Texas Electric Cooperatives
1122 Colorado St., 24th Floor
Austin, TX 78701 • (512) 961-2875



MARTIN BEVINS
Texas Electric Cooperatives
1122 Colorado St., 24th Floor
Austin, TX 78701 • (512) 584-7758



SUZIE BROWN
Bailey County EC
P. O. Drawer 1013, Muleshoe, TX 79347
(575) 704-2468



NEIL COOPER Southwest Texas EC P. O. Box 677, Eldorado, TX 76936 (830) 387-9127



RANDY COPELAND CoServ EC 7701 S. Stemmons, Corinth, TX 76210 (972) 989-0087



MORGAN ENRIQUEZ
MidSouth EC
P. O. Box 970, Navasota, TX 77868
(936) 444-6062



STACEY FORGASON MidSouth EC P. O. Box 970, Navasota, TX 77868 (979) 559-2967



FRANK MCLEN
Big Country EC
P. O. Box 518, Roby, TX 79543
(325) 669-7148



SARAH MCLENBig Country EC
P. O. Box 518, Roby, TX 79543
(325) 338-4577



JAMES MELTON (JJ)
Trinity Valley EC
P. O. Box 888, Kaufman, TX 75142
(972) 935-8417



LAURA MELTONTrinity Valley EC
P. O. Box 888, Kaufman, TX 75142
(214) 686-4796



CAYTLYN PHILLIPS
Texas Electric Cooperatives
1122 Colorado Street, 24th Floor
Austin, TX 78701 • Cell (361) 935-9047



CASSIE ROUSCH
Texas Electric Cooperatives
1122 Colorado St., 24th Floor
Austin, TX 78701 • (512) 507-0033



JOHN SPIESS
San Bernard EC
P. O. Box 1208, Bellville, TX 77418
(979) 877-9922



DARWIN TOMPLAIT
Jasper-Newton EC
812 S. Margaret Ave., Kirbyville, TX 75956
(409) 423-0763



TANA TOMPLAIT
Jasper-Newton EC
812 S. Margaret Ave., Kirbyville, TX 75956
(409) 423-9248







ALLISON ADCOCK Rayburn Country EC



HALEY ADCOCK Rayburn Country EC



KAYMIE ALBA Central Texas EC



ABBY ARNETT Medina EC



JACKSON BABB Tri-County EC



GUNNIR BATEMAN South Plains EC



KENDRA BAWCOM Greenbelt EC



KATIE BECKER PenTex Energy



GARRETT BELL Rayburn Country EC



JACK BELL Big Country EC



PAUL BETZEN
Deaf Smith EC



RANI BHAKTA
San Patricio EC (Nueces)



TRISTAN BROWN
Bryan Texas Utilities



SARAH BUTLER San Bernard EC



DELANEY CALLAHAM
MidSouth EC



PAYTON CASAREZ Concho Valley EC



KINLEY COKER Bailey County EC



LILY CORONADO Heart of Texas



OLIVIA CRAWFORD

Jasper Newton EC



SHELBY DAMBECK
Karnes EC



CORBIN DANIEL
South Plains EC



SOPHIA DARGAHI Central Texas EC



CAMERON DAVIS
Tri-County EC



BRAYDEN DEAN Hamilton EC



RYLIE DEAN CoServ EC



TRISTAN DILLER Bandera EC



BRIDGET DOROTIK
Wharton County EC



JACKSON DOWLING
Cherokee County EC



RILEY EDENS
Lamb County EC



CADENCE EDWARDS HILCO EC



MOUSAB ELTGANI Pedernales EC



AUSTIN ESCH Swisher EC



ERICA FAHRENTHOLD CoServ EC



EMILY FARMERHouston County EC



AUDIE FAUCETT
Bartlett EC



SAM FAZZINO Fannin County EC



EMMA FLORES
Greenbelt EC



JADEN FLORES
Big Country EC



CHRIS FORD
Bryan Texas Utilities



TYREKE FORD MidSouth EC



MASYN FRIEMEL
Golden Spread EC (Deaf Smith EC)



SUJANA GANGANAMANI Pedernales EC



ALBERT GARCIA Magic Valley EC



TRENT GEIGER
Rayburn Country EC



TARYN GOLDEN
Golden Spread EC (Greenbelt/Lamb
County ECs)



CITLALI GONZALEZ LARIOS CoServ EC



ETHAN GONZALES
Trinity Valley EC



SIERRA GONZALEZ Nueces EC



RUFF GRAHAM Taylor EC



MELANIE GUERRABryan Texas Utilities



RIA GUPTAX Tri-County EC



NOLAN HAECKER Bandera EC



BONNIE HAMBY MidSouth EC



SHYLEY HAMILTON
United Cooperative Services



SAMARA HAMMACK Midsouth EC



CLANCEY HARRIS South Plains EC



SAMANTHA HATCHER
Jasper Newton EC



CARLEE HELDT Bowie Cass EC



HALLEY HENDRICK
United Cooperative Services



CHARLIE HERRING Lyntegar EC (Deaf Smith)



MARY KATE HILL
Deep East Texas EC



PAIGE HOHENSEE Concho Valley EC



LANI HOLLY Wood County EC



CALEB HUDDLESTON
Rayburn County EC (Trinity Valley)



ARLETTE HUERTA Taylor EC



EMILY JACKSON HILCO EC



GRACE JACKSON San Bernard EC



MALLIKA JADE
Pedernales EC



CRISTIN KEMP Lighthouse EC



DAVID KENDRICK South Plains EC



CODY KING San Bernard EC



MORGAN KORINEK
Victoria EC



SYDNEY LEE Pedernales EC



MOLLY LESSING Medina EC



ESSENCE LEWIS
Big Country EC



RILEY LINDLEY Lighthouse EC



SEBASTIAN LUGO Magic Valley EC



ADDISON MARCEE
Wood County EC



IAN MAYBERRY Nueces EC



LAYTON MCADAMS
Tri-County EC



SEAN MCCOLL Pedernales EC



MARGIE MCCRARY Bailey County EC



AEDAN MCLENNAN
Pedernales EC



AMRI MELTON
North Plains EC (Bailey County EC)



BEN METLERBig Country EC



LISA MONTOYA
Pedernales EC



LUKE MOORE Bowie-Cass EC



IZZY MORALES
Southwest Texas EC



RYANNE MORRIS
Taylor EC



RYLEE MURPHY Upshur Rural EC



MACI NASH Bryan Texas Utilities



BRADY NEAL
Jasper Newton EC



MARY NESBITT Houston County EC



OWEN OPPENHEIMER
CoServ EC



ETHAN PALLETTE
Comanche EC



KASON PARKER Deep East Texas EC



SETH PARKER
Southwest Texas EC



BAILEY PENNELL Lyntegar EC



AMELIA PEREZ
Pedernales EC



LEXI PHILLIPSFannin County EC



WYATT PICKERING Navasota Valley EC



BRENNAN PLETT Lamar EC



GRACIE POTTERSouth Plains EC



KAMBER PUEBLA Grayson-Collin EC



KADE RAMER Grayson-Collin EC



MELANIA RAMIREZ South Plains EC



STEVEN REED
Tri-County EC



CARLEE REEVES
Rusk County EC



ASHLYN RICHARDS Coleman County EC



MEG RIDENS South Plains EC



ETHAN RINE CoServ EC



CALEB RUTLEDGE
Southwest Rural EC



SHELBY SAFFEL Big Country EC



AUBREY SCHUELER
Deaf Smith EC



EMMA SCHUELER Deaf Smith EC



SAMUEL SCHUETZ Comanche EC



ZOE SCHULZ
Wharton County EC



KAMERYN SCHWERTNER
Coleman County EC



MIRANDA SEGOVIA
Wise EC (Grayson-Collin)



AIREN SHARBER Swisher EC



KENZIE SHORT Wise EC



TROY SHUPAK
Houston County EC



GABRIELLA SIFFORD
Central Texas EC



ABBI SILLER Taylor ECc



AVA SIMS
South Plains EC



BREANNA SLAUGHTER Medina EC



MATTHEW SOSA MidSouth EC



RISHI SRIVATSAN CoServ EC



WADE STALLONES Navasota Valley EC



KAMI STEWART
Pedernales EC



DYLAN STINSON Trinity Valley EC



JACOB TAGERT Grayson-Collin EC



ALEXA TEBON-QUINTANILLA Bandera EC



ANNA TEMPLE
Pedernales EC



DOUGLAS THOMAS Hamilton County EC



J.T. THOMAS Bluebonnet EC



GUS TIETJEN Lamar EC



LAINEY TOWNSLEY
Fort Belknap EC



KIP TRAVIS
Rusk County EC



SOPHIA TREVINO Magic Valley EC



CHARLIE TRIMBLE
Deaf Smith EC



DELANEY TURLINGTON Fayette EC



LAUREN TURPEN
Lamb County EC



BLAKE UNDERWOOD
Heart of Texas EC



OSCAR VALDEZ Magic Valley EC



HARSHU VARANASI CoServ Electric



CAMILA VIVANCO REYNAUD Tri-County EC



ELLA WALSER North Plains EC



CATHERINE WEARDEN
Concho Valley EC



CAMERON WILLIAMS
Central Texas EC



TARA WILLIAMS
Bluebonnet EC



NOAH ZUBYK Bandera EC



U.S. Senators

JOHN CORNYN

517 Hart Senate Office Building

TED CRUZ

127A Russell Senate Office Building

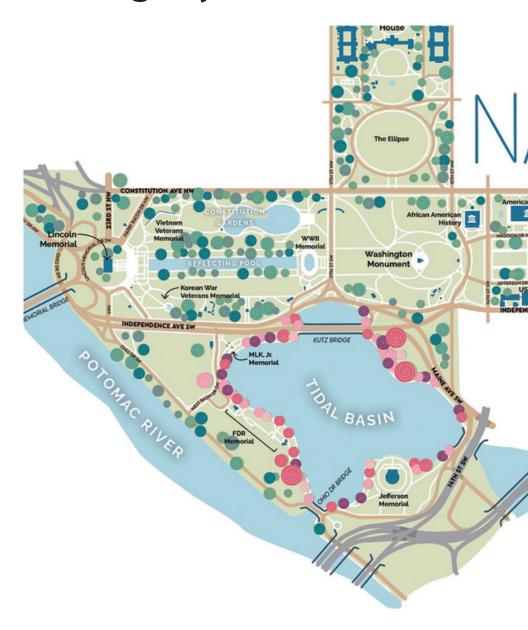


U.S. Representatives

- 1 NATHANIEL MORAN
 1541 Longworth House Office Building
- 2 DANIEL CRENSHAW248 Cannon House Office Building
- **3 KEITH SELF** 1113 Longworth House Office Building
- 4 PATRICK FALLON 2416 Rayburn House Office Building
- 5 LANCE GOODEN2431 Rayburn House Office Building
- 6 JAKE ELLZEY1721 Longworth House Office Building
- 7 LIZZIE FLETCHER346 Cannon House Office Building
- 8 MORGAN LUTTRELL 1320 Longworth House Office Building
- 9 AL GREEN2347 Rayburn House Office Building
- MICHAEL MCCAUL2300 Rayburn House Office Building
- 11 AUGUST PFLUGER
 1124 Longworth House Office Building
- 12 KAY GRANGER 2308 Rayburn House Office Building
- 13 RONNY JACKSON446 Cannon House Office Building
- 14 RANDY WEBER107 Cannon House Office Building
- 15 MONICA DE LA CRUZ1415 Longworth House Office Building
- 16 VERONICA ESCOBAR2248 Rayburn House Office Building
- 17 PETE SESSIONS2204 Rayburn House Office Building
- 18 SHEILA JACKSON LEE2314 Rayburn House Office Building
- 19 JODEY ARRINGTON1107 Longworth House Office Building
- 20 JOAQUIN CASTRO 2241 Rayburn House Office Building

- 21 CHIP ROY 103 Cannon House Office Building
- **22 TROY NEHLS**1104 Longworth House Office Building
- 23 TONY GONZALES1104 Longworth House Office Building
- 24 BETH VAN DUYNE 1725 Longworth House Office Building
- 25 ROGER WILLIAMS2336 Rayburn House Office Building
- 26 MICHAEL BURGESS2161 Rayburn House Office Building
- 27 MICHAEL CLOUD171 Cannon House Office Building
- 28 HENRY CUELLAR2372 Rayburn House Office Building
- 29 SYLVIA GARCIA2419 Rayburn House Office Building
- **30 JASMINE CROCKETT** 1616 Longworth House Office Building
- **31 JOHN CARTER**2208 Rayburn House Office Building
- **32 COLIN ALLRED** 248 Cannon House Office Building
- **33 MARC VEASEY** 2348 Rayburn House Office Building
- 34 VICENTE GONZALEZ154 Cannon House Office Building
- 35 GREGORIO CASAR1339 Longworth House Office Building
- 36 BRIAN BABIN2236 Rayburn House Office Building
- 37 LLOYD DOGGETT2307 Rayburn House Office Building
- 38 WESLEY HUNT1520 Longworth House Office Building

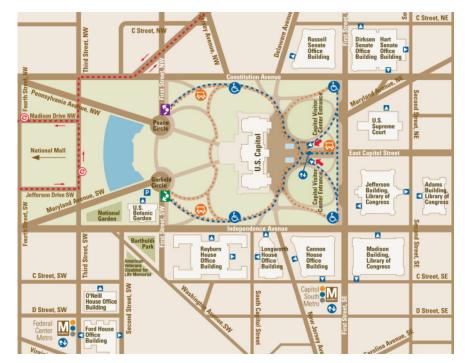
Washington, D.C.



WASHINGTON, D.C.

ATIONAL MALL







Texas, Our Texas

Texas, our Texas! All hail the mighty state!

Texas, our Texas! So wonderful, so great!

Boldest and grandest, withstanding ev'ry test

O empire wide and glorious, you stand supremely blest.

(chorus)

Texas, O Texas! Your freeborn single star
Sends out its radiance to nations near and far,
Emblem of freedom! It set our hearts aglow
With thoughts of San Jacinto and glorious Alamo.

(chorus)

Texas, dear Texas! From tyrant grip now free, Shines forth in splendor, your star of destiny! Mother of heroes, we come your children true, Proclaiming our allegiance, our faith, our love for you.

Chorus

God bless you, Texas! And keep you brave and strong,
That you may grow in power and worth throughout the ages long.
God bless you, Texas! And keep you brave and strong,
That you may grow in power and worth throughout the ages long.

-28 -

The Eyes of Texas Are Upon You

The eyes of Texas are upon you All the livelong day

The eyes of Texas are upon you And you cannot get away

Do not think you can escape them From night 'til early in the morn

The eyes of Texas are upon you 'Til Gabriel blows his horn

The eyes of Texas are upon you All the livelong day

The eyes of Texas are upon you And you cannot get away

Do not think you can escape them From night 'til early in the morn

The eyes of Texas are upon you 'Til Gabriel blows his horn



Deep in the Heart of Texas



*

The stars at night—are big and bright
Deep in the heart of Texas

The prairie sky—is wide and high Deep in the heart of Texas

 \bigstar

*

The sage in bloom—is like perfume

Deep in the heart of Texas

Reminds me of—the one I love

Deep in the heart of Texas

 \bigstar

The cowboys cry—ki-yip-pie-yi

Deep in the heart of Texas

The rabbits rush—around the brush

Deep in the heart of Texas

Deep in the heart of Texas

A

*

The coyotes wail—along the trail
Deep in the heart of Texas
The dogies bawl—and bawl and bawl



*

*

*



+



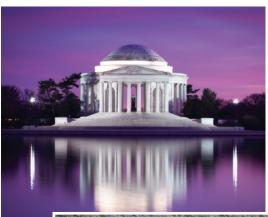
Youth Tour Legacy

Past participants are still talking about their experiences. Hear from Youth Tour delegates who have gone before.

"We were up there [at Arlington National Cemetery] after Kennedy's assassination, and another person on the tour and I got to lay a wreath on his grave, and it was one of the most wonderful experiences in my life to this day."

Ethel (Mabry) Ellison Lighthouse EC, 1965





"One of the first historical sights we visited in Washington was the Lincoln Memorial. Before leaving, the Texas delegation gathered on the front steps and sang *America the Beautiful*, much to the surprise of the other tourists. It seemed like the only appropriate thing to do, for each of us had suddenly become aware of a closeness to our country and to each other that we never felt before."

Paulett (Tielsch) Renfro Fayette EC, 1970







"I walked across the street to the Supreme Court.
I lucked out; the court was in session, and
I was permitted to sit on the back row and witness

oral arguments. I was in awe. My lasting impression of the tour is the openness of our government—how ordinary citizens can access justice and impact decision-makers."

Carrie Campbell (a practicing lawyer since 1995) | Pedernales EC, 1985

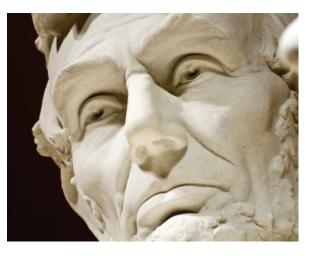


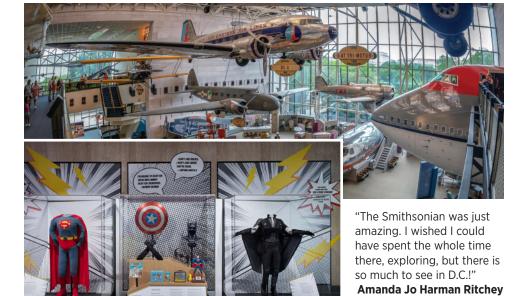
"It was a really moving experience to witness the U.S. Marine Corps Silent Drill Platoon perform at the Sunset Parade at the Iwo Jima Memorial. We had been hustling and bustling all week long, and suddenly, we were silent, captivated. It was one of the most patriotic things I'd ever seen. These men have made a promise to protect this country, and to see that discipline in beautiful action and precision was amazing."

Ashley Clary-Carpenter | Medina EC, 1996

"One of the most impactful [memories] was seeing the Washington Monument from the Lincoln Memorial, with the serene Reflecting Pool separating the two. Standing there and thinking about all the historical figures who had walked those same grounds, it truly impacted me in a way that is hard to describe. To this day, when I see a movie or photograph with those landmarks, I realize how lucky I was that Fayette Electric Cooperative chose me to go on this trip."

Stacey Kovar | Fayette EC, 2004





"Seeing all the names of soldiers [on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial wall] who sacrificed everything for our freedom gave me chills. You could see people looking for past family members' names, and it felt like the past soldiers talked to you as you walked the memorial. The statues in the middle of the memorial create such an image in your mind, especially at nighttime when the lights in the garden come on. The names have a soft glow that just makes for a serene sight that will take your breath away."

Kassidy Martin | Swisher EC, 2006



Swisher EC, 1996



"While sitting in the gallery [of the House of Representatives], I had the great opportunity of witnessing the inauguration of Rep. Ron Barber to complete the remainder of Rep. Gabrielle Gifford's term. Not only did I see the representatives while they were working, but I was able to see a piece of history being made."

Kalie Pietsch | Fayette EC, 2012

"Walking through [the Holocaust Memorial Museum] and seeing everything that they went through, it just caused silence. To go in there after being so loud and crazy and having fun, and just hearing that silence, it was really humbling. That small voice that I heard when I looked at every picture and every article was telling me to think. I wish I could live this experience over and over again."

Sarah Branham Swisher EC, 2012



"During one of the White House visits, we had been waiting on the South Lawn for a long time for the president to arrive. A door to the White House suddenly springs open ... and out walks a Youth Tour participant, escorted by the Secret Service. He had had to go to the restroom. How many people can say they went to the restroom in the White House?"

Dennis Engelke

TEC Youth Tour director, 1976-2000



AUTOGRAPHSAUTOGRAPHSAUTOGRAPHS

Enjoy this experience to the fullest! Adam, Altec Industries Wishing you a fabulous experience in our nation's capital. Enjoy!

Denny, Alterman





Altec Industries

Attention: Adam Adams
2713 Albany Drive
McKinney, TX 75070
adam.adams@altec.com
altec.com
Airport Breakfast Snack Bags Contributor

Alterman

Attention: Denny Crouch 14703 Jones Maltsberger Road San Antonio, TX 78247 denny@goalterman.com goalterman.com *T-Shirt Contributor*

Enjoy this experience of a lifetime! These next few days in Washington, D.C., will bring you make new friends, an up-close view of America's history and sights you will never forget. Be safe, have fun and take lots of pictures! Karen and Sherry, Bluebonnet EC Congratulations to you on being chosen for this once-in-a-lifetime experience. Make the most of it!

Robert, BSGM





Bluebonnet EC

Attention: Sherry Murphy
P.O. Box 729
Bastrop, TX 78602
karen.urban@bluebonnet.coop
bluebonnetelectric.coop
T-Shirt Contributor

Bolinger, Segars, Gilbert & Moss

Attention: Robert Cobb 8215 Nashville Ave. Lubbock, TX 79423 rcobb@bsgm.com bsgm.com *T-Shirt Contributor*

Congratulations to you on being chosen for this once-in-a-lifetime experience!

Brown & Brown

Best wishes for a successful trip and a wonderful experience. Ken, CoBank





Brown & Brown

Attention: Jeff Moore 8000 Centre Park Dr., Ste 370 Austin, Texas 78754 jeff.moore@bbrown.com bbrown.com Texas Star T-Shirt Sponsor

CoBank

Attention: Dean Church 3521 Princess Lane Dallas, TX 75229 DChurch@cobank.com cobank.com *T-Shirt Contributor*

It is an honor to be a small part of your very bright future.

From all your friends at CoServ!

Wishing you a fabulous experience in our nation's capital. Enjoy.

Empact Engineering





CoServ

Attention: Whitney Gohlke
7701 S. Stemmons Freeway
Corinth, TX 76210
wgohlke@coserv.com
coserv.com
Monday Austin Breakfast Contributor

Empact Engineering

Attention: Cy Terral
20886 FM 159
Navasota, TX 77868
cy.terral@empactengineering.com
empactengineering.com
Royale Café Thursday Breakfast Sponsor

Have fun making memories in the beautiful city of Washington, D.C.! Engage in all the sights, sounds and history of our nation.

Best wishes from your friends at EnerVision

Congratulations on becoming a Youth Tour delegate. We hope you enjoy your trip and make lasting connections with your peers.

From your friends at Farmers &C!



EnerVision

Attention: Elaine Johns
4170 Ashford Dunwoody Road, Suite 550
Atlanta GA, 30319
elaine.johns@enervision-inc.com
enervision-inc.com
U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial Lunch Contributor



Farmers Electric Cooperative

Attention: Jessica Carr
P.O. Box 6037
Greenville, TX 75403
youthtour@farmerselectric.coop
farmerselectric.coop
Airport Breakfast Snack Bags Contributor

We hope you enjoy this trip of a lifetime to our nation's capital!

Grayson-Collin Electric Cooperative hopes that you will remember this trip with fondness. Have a great time!

Pavid, GCEC





Attention: FEC Board of Directors
P.O. Box 490
La Grange, TX 78945
fayette.coop
Iwo Jima Parade Pizza Picnic and
Airport Breakfast Snack Bags Contributor



Grayson-Collin Electric Cooperative

Attention: David McGinnis P.O. Box 548 Van Alstyne, TX 75495 david.mcginnis@grayson-collin.coop grayson-collin.coop Kennedy Center Dinner Sponsor

Wishing you the memories of a lifetime. From your friends at HILCO Electric Cooperative.

Kendra, HILCO EC

Congratulations! Hope you enjoy this amazing opportunity.
Missie, Jackson & C





Attention: Kendra Markwardt P.O. Box 127 Itasca, TX 76055 kmarkwardt@hilco.coop hilco.coop Monday Austin Breakfast Contributor



Jackson EC

Attention: Missie Landry
P.O. Box 1189
Edna, TX 77957
mlandry@myjec.coop
jecec.com
Sandwich Lunch Upon Arrival to D.C. Sponsor

Lamar Technical Services is proud to play a part in this exciting adventure to our nation's capital. We hope you enjoy this trip of a lifetime.

Larry J. Krenek

Lamar Technical Services

Washington DC is special with so many memorials and patriotic places to see, but what makes this trip special is a group of young people from Texas. Enjoy your trip!





Attention: Larry Krenek 2000 Windy Terrace, Bldg. 3A Cedar Park, TX 78613 claudia.krenek@gmail.com lamartechnicalservices.com *T-Shirt Contributor*



M&S Engineering

Attn: Steve Grams 6477 FM 311 Spring Branch, Texas 78070 sgrams@msengr.com msengr.com *T-Shirt Contributor*

Congratulations! Hope your Youth Tour experience is fabulous. Jim, McCord Engineering Wishing you the memories of a lifetime. Robin, Meridian Cooperative





Attention: Jim McCord 916 Southwest Pkwy. College Station, TX 77840 jdmccord@mccordeng.com mccordeng.com Royale Café Sunday Breakfast Sponsor



Meridian Cooperative

Attention: Robin Vogt
100 Ashford Center N., Suite 500
Atlanta, GA 30338
robinv@meridian.coop
meridian.coop
U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial Lunch Contributor

Wishing you memories and friendships that last a lifetime.

CFC

Congratulations! Have a wonderful trip!

PenTex Energy



National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation

Attention: Jeff Kilpatrick

115 Ann St., Covington LA, 70433
jeff.kilpatrick@nrucfc.coop
nrucfc.coop
T-shirt Contributor



PenTex Energy

Attention: Carolyn Powell
PO Box 530
Muenster, TX 76252
carolyn.powell@pentex.com
pentex.com
Wreath Laying Ceremony Flowers Sponsor

Enjoy your Youth Tour experience! All of us at Pike Electric wish you the best!

The Texas Pike Team

Congratulations! Wishing you the very best on your trip to Washington, D.C.

Ted Butts



Pike

Attention: Elise Ponce 777 Main Street, Suite 950 Fort Worth, TX 76102 eponce@pike.com pike.com T-shirt Contributor

PIWT

Pole Inspection of West Texas

Pole Inspection of West Texas

Attention: Ted Butts P.O. Box 252 Mertzon, TX 76941 Monday Austin Breakfast Contributor

Wishing you a safe trip full of unforgettable experiences and awe of the history and grandeur of our great nation. May it bring you memories and friendships that last a lifetime.

Brittany

This is a trip of a lifetime! Enjoy the new friends you will make along the way and savor the experience every day!

Stephen, Techline



San Patricio Electric Cooperative

Attention: Brittany Williams
P.O. Box 400
Sinton Texas, 78387
bwilliams@sanpatricioelectric.org
sanpatricioelectric.org
Monday Austin Breakfast Contributor



Techline

Attention: Stephen Johnson 5401 Martin St. Fort Worth, TX 76119 stephen.johnson@techline-inc.com techline-inc.com Mount Vernon Tickets Sponsor

Enjoy your trip exploring the capital of the most amazing country in the world!

Julia, TEC

What an amazing opportunity to learn more about our great nation. Enjoy!

Michelle, TEC



TEC Government Relations

Attention: Julia Harvey
1122 Colorado St., 24th Floor
Austin, TX 78701
ejharvey@texas-ec.org
texas-ec.org
Backpacks Sponsor



TEC Utility Supply & Services

Attention: Michelle De Los Santos 100 Cooperative Way Georgetown, TX 78626 mdelossantos@texas-ec.org texas-ec.org Picnic Lunch at the Capitol Grounds Sponsor

So much to see, learn, do and enjoy! Hope you have a fabulous trip! Martin, Texas Co-op Power How blessed you are to have this amazing opportunity! Enjoy every minute!

Rachel, TREWA

Texas Coop Power



Attention: Martin Bevins 1122 Colorado St., 24th Floor Austin, TX 78701 mbevins@texas-ec.org texascooppower.com Polo Shirt Sponsor



Texas Rural Electric Women's Association

Attention: Rachel Ford, President Comanche EC P. O. Box 729, Comanche, TX 76442 rford@ceca.coop trewa.org Boat Cruise Dinner Sponsor

We hope you relish this fantastic opportunity and soak up the history that can be found overflowing from our nation's capital.

Enjoy this enriching experience in our nation's capital and take in as much as possible. The memories you make will last a lifetime.

Tri-County EC

Patty



The Nitsche Group

Attention: Patty Brown, Vice President 105 E. Austin St. | Giddings, TX 78942 pattyb@utilityinsurance.com thenitschegroup.com Trading Buttons and Picnic Lunch at National Mall Sponsor



Tri-County Electric Cooperative

Attn: Darryl Schriver, President/CEO
200 Bailey Ranch Road
Aledo, Texas 76008
schriver@tcetexas.com
tcectexas.com
Arlington Cemetery Tram Tickets Sponsor

Wishing you all the best on this life-changing adventure to D.C. George Combs

The opportunity to see our government at work firsthand is an experience that very few have the chance to do. We are proud to be able to contribute to this program in the hopes that these young people help create an even better America in the future. We wish you safe travels, new friends and a memorable fun trip.

David Lara, Utility Sales Agents of North Texas



Utility Restoration Services

Attention: George Combs 1659 SH 46 West Suite 115, #116 New Braunfels TX 78312 utilityrest@att.net utilityrestore.com National Cathedral Tickets Sponsor



Utility Sales Agents of North Texas

Attention: David Lara 400 E. Royal Lane Irving, TX 75039 dlara@usantx.com usantx.com Monday Austin Breakfast Contributor

May this trip give you awesome memories, new inspirations and lasting friendships.

Karen, Wise EC



Wise Electric Cooperative

Attention: Karen Culpepper
P.O. Box 269
Decatur, TX 76234
kculpepper@wiseec.com
wiseec.com
Corps War Memorial Lunch Co

U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial Lunch Contributor

Contributors of Gatorade, water, ice and ice chests in Austin and D.C.

Bailey County EC Big Country EC Concho Valley EC CoServ Electric Deaf Smith Fayette EC Greenbelt EC Heart of Texas EC

Jasper-Newton EC

Karnes EC Medina EC Navasota Valley EC Pedernales EC PenTex Energy Rayburn Country EC San Bernard EC Swisher EC Taylor EC Trinity Valley EC Wise FC

Contributors of bus snacks and supplies on buses in Austin and D.C.

Bailey County EC
Big Country EC
Cherokee County EC
Concho Valley EC
Fannin County EC
HILCO EC
Karnes EC
Lamar EC
Lyntegar EC
MidSouth EC
Nueces EC

Pedernales
Taylor EC
Trinity Valley EC
United Cooperative
Services
Victoria EC
Wharton County EC
Wise EC

Wood County EC

Luggage tags

Big Country EC

Water bottle lanyards
Bluebonnet FC

Youth Tour Photo Gallery

Photos from the 2023 Government-in-Action Youth Tour will be posted online daily starting June 14.

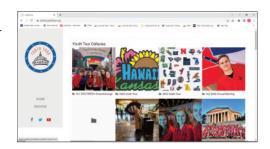
Go to photos.youthtour.org.

Click on 2023 Youth Tour then scroll down and click on Texas 2023 Youth Tour.



2023 Youth Tour Facebook

Don't forget to keep in touch on the 2023 Texas Youth Tour Facebook alumni page.



Youth Tour Alumni Website and Facebook

Connect with 50-plus years of fellow Youth Tour participants and stay up to date on Youth Tour activities via the Youth Tour Alumni website (TexasYouth Tour.com) and Facebook page (Facebook.com/TexasYouth TourAlumni).





58[™] Annual Texas Government-in-Action Youth Tour

