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Teens Participate in Community Service Projects

New Braunfels, TX –New Braunfels Municipal Court Juvenile Case Manager Norma Herrera has organized groups of teen defendants and volunteers to assist the Parks and Recreation Department in various community service projects. A total of six events are scheduled to take place this summer.

Teens have already participated in the cleaning of Comal Cemetery and most recently assisted with the spreading of mulch at Landa Park. Other events will include cleaning of the Dry Comal Creek, the Faust Street Bridge, the HEB soccer fields and Hoffman Park.

Previously, Mrs. Herrera organized a group of teens to work at the Kitchen Table to sort food items and stock the pantry. The group also donated approximately 100 lbs. of non-perishable food items to the Kitchen Table. This rewarding weekend work has inspired teen to continue volunteering at the Kitchen Table.

New Braunfels Municipal Court plans to continue these community service projects in an effort to allow teens the opportunity to give back to the community and to promote volunteerism. Although these teens are performing this work as a form of community service, they have now learned that volunteering is satisfying and makes a difference in their community.

“These community service projects are essential to our city and provide a sense of pride and accomplishment to our teens,” said Mrs. Herrera. “Additionally, teens are able to strengthen social skills such as problems solving, team building communication and leadership while contributing to their community.”

Mrs. Herrera is constantly working on expanding the list of non-profit organizations that the teens can assist. Non-profit organizations are invited to contact her if they are in need of assistance from the teenagers.

Parents of teenage children who do not have a pending case in the court, but would like to participate in community service, are also welcome to contact Mrs. Herrera. She is present at all events and provides supervision.

Those interested in assisting with the program should contact Norma Herrera at nherrera@nbtexas.org or (830) 221-4185.

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