



SOCIAL JUSTICE AWARENESS

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SOCIAL JUSTICE WEEK

The Leadership and Service Center will be hosting **Social Justice Week** to provide the Texas A&M community with opportunities for social issue awareness and involvement. Each day of Social Justice Week will include an event focusing on a different social issue. The highlighted social issues include **global issues**, **education**, **homelessness**, and **diversity**.

<http://studentactivities.tamu.edu/leadandserve/programs/socialissues>

LEARN. EMPOWER. ACT.

Social Justice Week is March 24-28, 2008!

Monday, March 24: Global Issues

Screening of *Invisible Children*
6:00– 8:00 pm, MSC 225

Tuesday, March 25: Education

“Education: Equalizer or Tranquilizer?”
presented by Dr. Carol Albrecht
11:30 am – 1:00 pm, MSC 225

Wednesday, March 26: Homelessness

Panel Discussion with Community
Agency Representatives
11:30 am – 1:00 pm, MSC 206

Thursday, March 27: Diversity

Archie Bunker's Neighborhood
presented by the Department of
Multicultural Services

5:30 – 7:30 pm, Rudder 510

Friday, March 28: Taking Action

Donations and banner signing
10:30 am – 1:30 pm, Rudder Fountain

Monday-Friday: How to Get Involved

Agencies will provide resources and
volunteer information
11:00 am– 1:00 pm, MSC Hallway

LOCAL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

VOLUNTEER. Be a Big.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Brazos Valley has openings for adult volunteers ages 18 and older. Volunteers are needed to mentor a child ages 6-16. A caring adult sharing everyday experiences with a child is the core premise on which Big Brothers Big Sisters of Brazos Valley is built and based. Children benefit from the additional caring, insight, and shared experience a Big offers. For as little as one hour a week you can be a friend, role model, adult resource, and responsible volunteer. For more information or to volunteer, please call Big Brothers Big Sisters of Brazos Valley at (979)268-5814 or e-mail alison@bbbscentraltx.org.

Share Your Talent

Help kids in your community and have fun at the same time! Students at *Bryan Collegiate High School* are eager to have some fun and learn about you as well as your special talents and interests. Each Friday morning from 8:30-9:30am, students at Bryan Collegiate High welcome you to share your skills and experiences with them. Past classes have included chess, yoga, drawing, music, foreign languages, self defense and many more. If you have an idea for a topic and are interested in getting involved, please call Leslie Locke at (952) 451-7407 or email lalocke@tamu.edu.

Group Construction Volunteers

Habitat for Humanity invites you to bring your student organization, church, or civic group out to the Habitat site for a day of team building and fun! Volunteer groups are needed five days a week to help on the construction site and at the Habitat ReStore. Contact Dena Freeman at (979) 823-7200 or email volunteer@habitatbcs.org for more information.

LOCAL AGENCY SPOTLIGHT

United Way of the Brazos Valley

Description: Number one funder of health and human services in Brazos Valley. Provides Information and referral service for local community resources through 2-1-1 Area Information Center. Provides outreach for Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). Conducts annual FYI Training Series; publishes a Resource Directory.

Mission Statement: To help people in the Brazos Valley care for one another.

Issues Addressed: • Children / Youth • Civic / Community • Disaster Relief • Domestic Violence • Health/Medicine • Homeless / Housing • Hunger • Mentoring • Substance Abuse

For more information about the *United Way of the Brazos Valley*, please visit www.uwbv.org.

Don't forget to check
<http://aggieserve.tamu.edu/> for opportunities to
volunteer in the local community!