

TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

2012 CHC Annual Report Summary

CHC Appointee Database as of September 1, 2013

- 137 counties have provided County Historical Commission (CHC) appointee rosters for the 2013-14 term.
- More than 5,000 CHC appointees statewide.

CHC Reporting Statistics for the 2012 year of service

- 168 counties submitted CHC reports to the Texas Historical Commission (THC).
 - 166 CHCs reported combined total of 397,848 volunteer hours for 2012.
 - 397,848 hours / 2,080 hours (40 hours a week for 52 weeks a year) = work of 191 full-time positions.
 - 397,848 hours × \$ 22.14 (2012 estimated volunteer hourly rate as per independentsector.org) = \$ 8,808,354
- CHCs contributed volunteer services in 2012 that have a value of \$8,808,354.**
- 166 of reporting CHCs provided financial information for the 2012 year of service.
 - Most reporting CHCs noted that their county provided money and/or in-kind services to the CHC.

Budgetary line items provided in the 2012 CHC annual report	Average allocation	Totals for reporting CHCs
Annual county allocation for 2012 (not including money for museums):	\$ 3,543	\$ 588,057
County money allotted for museums in 2012 (46 CHCs provided amounts):	\$ 20,814	\$ 957,450
Any other money issued by county during 2012 (one-time amount for special project, etc.):		\$ 85,525
Total county monies invested in County Historical Commissions in 2012		\$ 1,631,032*
Value of in-kind contribution of volunteer hours from County Historical Commissions in 2012		\$8,808,354*

***For every \$1 counties invest in CHCs, a statewide average of \$5 worth of service is returned.** The **\$1.6 million** in county money provided to Texas CHCs was **supplemented by CHCs with \$1,053,588** from grants, donations, and fundraisers used to accomplish projects for counties. In addition, CHCs make use of a variety of donations of in-kind services and equipment, increasing even more the return on CHC investment.

General information about CHCs in Texas

- According to annual reports, CHCs have (on average) 23 appointees.
- CHCs usually hold monthly or bimonthly full commission meetings; they may also have committee meetings.
- According to annual reports, CHCs provide an average of 2,400 volunteer hours per year.
- CHCs participate in a wide range of activities but some activities are more popular than others; see below.

CHC activities with higher participation rates (out of 168 reporting CHCs)	# of participating CHCs
Maintain an inventory of subject markers in your county	129
Reviewed marker applications	129
Maintain an inventory of cemeteries in your county	123
Volunteer with local museums	121
Provided educational events/ information on historic preservation/local history to audiences outside CHC	116
Promoted historic and cultural sites to develop and sustain heritage tourism initiatives	106

**reporting data correct as of 9/1/2013