



Dream Forward

South Texas Youth Congress Friday, April 25-26, 2014 - Corpus Christi, Texas

It is my pleasure to welcome everyone to the *South Texas Youth Congress* held in our beautiful city of Corpus Christi, Texas. This session gives student delegates, elected by their classmates from various high schools from Nueces County to Webb County, a hands-on opportunity to collaborate and to commit to a number of legislative bills. The delegates will learn more about the legislative policies and how to lobby effectively. The representative body will then present the bill proposals to legislators for introduction in the next general session in 2015 with the objective to shape future public policy.

It is an honor and a privilege to have you here for this conference and for the opportunity to serve you as our valued guests! The coordinators and hosts want it to be a very meaningful and memorable event.

Nestled on Corpus Christi Bay, you will experience our semi-tropical climate, swaying palm trees, sparkling water, clean beaches, memorable sunrises, and friendly people. Corpus Christi's climate is comfortable year-round, providing countless opportunities for great golf, bay and deep-sea fishing, bird watching, hunting, swimming and sailing. From our evolving downtown to the Padre Island National Seashore you will find live music venues, one-of-a-kind boutiques, arts & cultural entertainment, coffee shops and eateries offering fresh seafood, authentic Mexican food and eclectic cuisines. With our unique attractions such as the Texas State Aquarium, the USS Lexington, Museum of Science and History, South Texas Institute for the Arts, Whataburger Field, South Texas Botanical Gardens and Nature Center, and year-round festivals and events, our city prides itself in being one of the top tourist destinations in the State of Texas.

Take the time to go online to www.visitcorpuschristitx.org and click "calendar" at the top of the page! If you are not able to enjoy all that Corpus Christi has to offer this trip, we look forward to your return!

Sincerely,

Nelda Martinez
Mayor