

# City Manager Report

2nd Quarter 2025 (April - June)



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# FINANCE

82 NON - COMPLIANCE STR LETTERS WERE SENT IN APRIL, MAY, AND JUNE. 9 CITATIONS ISSUED.

S&P GLOBAL RATING FOR 2025 TAX NOTES: AA+

FY 2024 -25: \$1.8 MILLION IN INTEREST REVENUE THROUGH MAY.



- *FF/PARAMEDIC ESCOBEDO CONDUCTED A CPR CLASS FOR A LOCAL ORGANIZATION AS PART OF THEIR BASIC LIFE SUPPORT RECERTIFICATION*



- BEACH PATROL HAD A TOTAL OF **6 GRADUATES FROM THE 2025 LIFEGUARD TRAINING ACADEMY** . WE HAD 149 INDIVIDUALS INITIALLY REACHING OUT. OF THOSE, 71 COMPLETED APPLICATIONS, 28 SIGNED UP FOR THE SWIM TEST, AND 20 ACTUALLY SHOWED UP. THIRTEEN PASSED THE SWIM TEST, AND TEN COMPLETED ALL PAPERWORK. WE BEGAN THE TRAINING WITH 8 ROOKIES, **AND 6 SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE FULL TWO -WEEK PROGRAM.**
- BEACH PATROL HELD ITS ANNUAL JR. LIFEGUARD PROGRAM. WE HAD A TOTAL OF **16 JGS. TWO OF WHICH WILL BE APPLYING TO BE LIFEGUARDS NEXT SEASON.**
- FF/PARAMEDICS QUICKLY RESPONDED TO A MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT INVOLVING THREE MOTORCYCLISTS. ONE OF THE PATIENTS IS A TRAUMA NURSE AT DHR HOSPITAL. THE HOSPITAL TEAM WAS THRILLED WITH THE CARE PROVIDED AND, IN RECOGNITION OF THE OUTSTANDING SERVICE, PRESENTED AN AWARD FROM THE TRAUMA REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

- THE SOUTH PADRE ISLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT PARAMEDICS RECEIVED TRAINING FROM THE SOUTH TEXAS BLOOD AND TISSUE CENTER ON THE USE OF LOW -TITER O+ WHOLE BLOOD (LTOWB). **AS A RESULT, SPIFD EMS HAS STARTED TO CARRY ONE UNIT OF LTOWB IN THEIR EMERGENCY VEHICLES.**





# COMMUNITY RESOURCE AND SERVICE EVENTS

(90

HOURS)

TIE CUTTING CEREMONY - 2  
ONLINE REPORTING

ONLINE REPORTS FILED - 46

VACATION WATCH REQUESTS - 4

KEY HOLDER REGISTRATION - 5

AT-RISK RESIDENT REGISTRATION -

GRANT HOURS FUNDED SUPPORTING POLICE OPERATIONS  
674 HOURS, APPROXIMATE COST - SAVINGS OF \$24,938.00

BASIC SWAT CERTIFICATION - CONGRATULATIONS TO  
OFFICER JORDAN RODRIGUEZ, MARCO COUTINO AND  
DANIEL VILLANUEVA FOR SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING THE  
60 HR. BASIC SWAT COURSE.

TSC POLICE ACADEMY GRADUATION  
GUEST SPEAKER  
CONGRATULATIONS TO CHIEF  
CLAUDINE O'CARROLL AS SHE WAS  
INVITED TO BE THE HONORARY  
GUEST SPEAKER AT THE TSC POLICE  
ACADEMY GRADUATION CEREMONY  
IN BROWNSVILLE TX.

COLOR GUARD EVENTS - 4

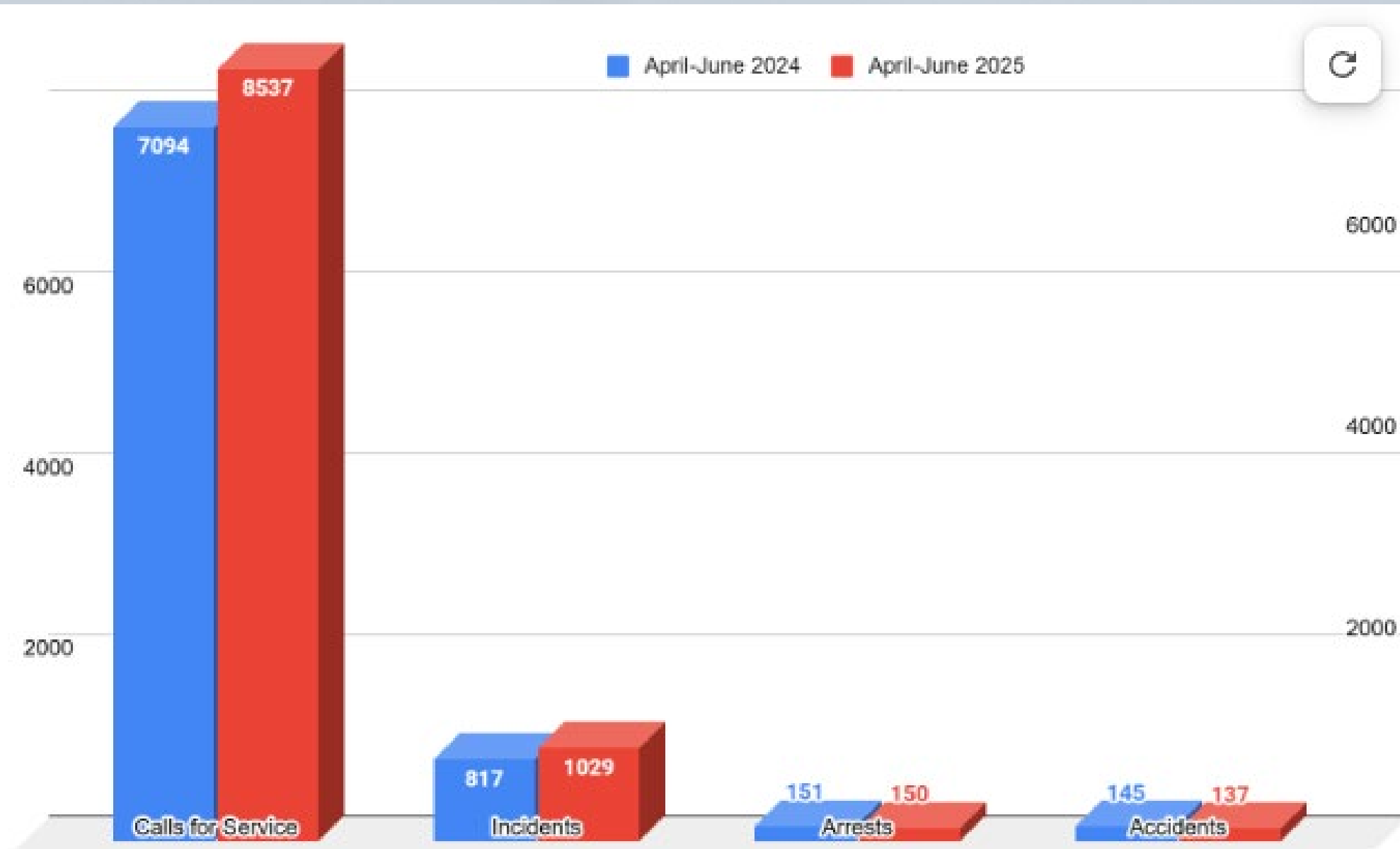
CRASE TRAINING (CIVILIAN RESPONSE TO ACTIVE SHOOTER  
EVENTS) WAS PROVIDED TO ORIGINS STAFF MEMBERS.

COMMUNITY RESOURCE OFFICER JOSEPH GONZALEZ OBTAINED  
HIS CERTIFICATION AS A CPR INSTRUCTOR AND PROVIDED CPR  
RECERTIFICATIONS TO SEVERAL PD COMMUNICATIONS  
PERSONNEL.

# POLICE

TRAINING HOSTED BY SPIPD  
HONOR GUARD TRAINING - 4 OFFICERS, CPR RECERTIFICATION 3  
DISPATCHERS.

OUTSIDE TRAINING - POLICE PERSONNEL ATTENDED:  
BACKGROUND INVESTIGATOR - 4 OFFICERS, CULTURAL DIVERSITY - 1  
OFFICER, TCIC/TLETS MOBILE ACCESS TRAINING - 5 OFFICERS, SPECIAL  
INVESTIGATIONS TOPICS - 1 OFFICER, CCDA LE SEMINAR - 4 OFFICERS,  
DE-ESCALATION - 1 OFFICER, FTO TRAINING - 2 OFFICERS, CPR  
INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATION - 1 OFFICER, CRISIS INTERVENTION - 1  
OFFICER, INTERACTING WITH WHO ARE DEAF/HARD OF HEARING - 1  
OFFICER, SPECIAL INVESTIGATION TOPICS - 1 OFFICER, CONFERENCE ON  
CRIMES AGAINST WOMEN - 2 OFFICERS, FBI NATIONAL ACADEMY  
ASSOCIATES OF TEXAS COMMAND COLLEGE - 1 OFFICER, BASIC SWAT  
CERTIFICATION - 3 OFFICERS, CIT TRAINING - 4 OFFICERS



# PUBLIC WORKS

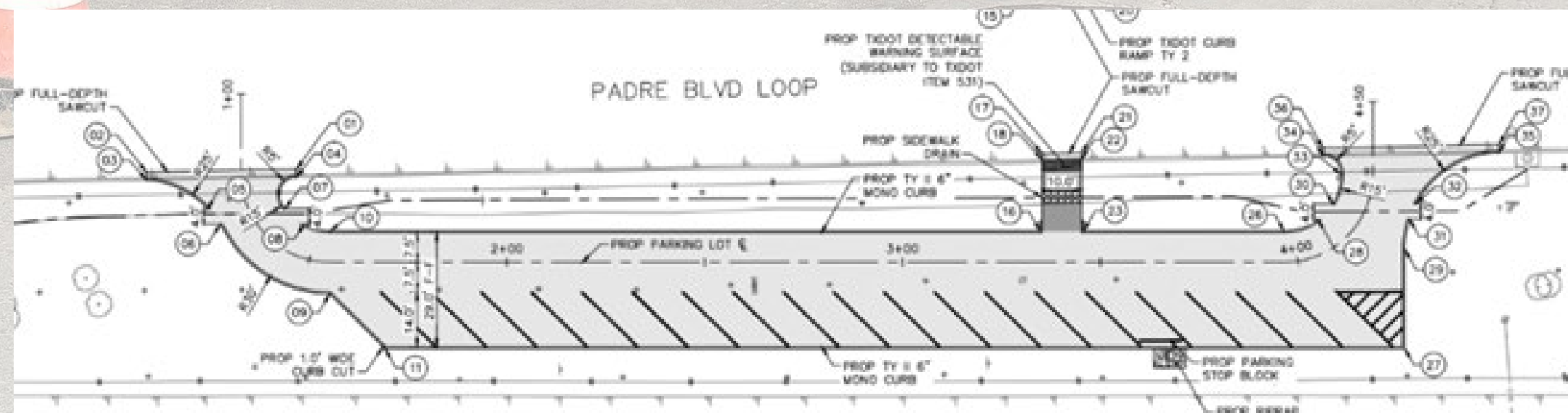


SIDE STREET PHASE #2 PROJECT HAS BEEN COMPLETED WITH THE PAVING OF WEST LANTANA STREET. COUNCIL HAS VOTED TO FUND THE RECONSTRUCTION OF SEVERAL MORE STREETS, STARTING WITH E. CONSTELLATION WHICH WILL BE STARTING SOON.




DURING THE LATE MAY RAIN EVENT, A SINKHOLE DEVELOPED IN FRONT OF THE NEW TURTLE RESCUE BUILDING. PUBLIC WORKS OPENED UP AND REPAIRED THE PROBLEM. TXDOT ADDED A TEMPORARY COLD PATCH UNTIL HOT ASPHALT CAN BE INSTALLED.

THE PR - 100 OVERFLOW PARKING PROJECT WAS BID OUT AND IS ON THIS AGENDA FOR APPROVAL. THIS PROJECT IS BEING FUNDED WITH THE TIRZ FUND. THIS PARKING LOT WILL HELP WITH PARKING FOR THE NEW SOUTH PADRE ISLAND MUSEUM AND PICKLEBALL PARK.



**Fuel Tanks** - A comprehensive survey was conducted across the island to compile a list of all aboveground and underground gas pumps and storage tanks to improve possible environmental concerns.



**Natural Habitat Lot Survey** - A survey was conducted on all properties identified as "Qualified Natural Habitat Lots" (QNHL). Letters were sent to the owners of these properties, urging them to renew their QNHL permits for the upcoming fiscal year to continue their vital role in protecting our fragile environment.



**Keep Texas Beautiful Gold Star Award**



Keep Texas Beautiful (KTB), a statewide nonprofit dedicated to environmental sustainability and community improvement, has once again recognized the City of South Padre Island as a Gold Star Affiliate - its highest honor for community affiliates. The Gold Star status is awarded to affiliates that demonstrate exceptional commitment to keeping their communities clean, green, and beautiful through education, volunteer engagement, and impactful programs.

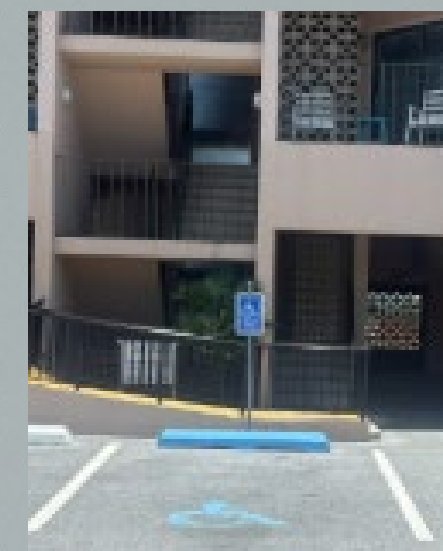
**Junked Vehicles** - Staff conducted a survey of junked golf carts on Padre Boulevard. Business owners were advised to repair and move these vehicles out of public view while not operable or dismantled.



**Sign Enforcement** - Throughout May, temporary sign enforcement was conducted across the entire Island. Businesses were issued a notice to comply for displaying temporary signs without the necessary permits. Consequently, the number of temporary sign permit submissions in May increased significantly compared to April.



**Handicap Parking Survey** - EHSD staff surveyed businesses island wide to assess their handicap parking spaces. Business owners were educated on ADA compliance requirements and directed to the building department for further information



The **E-Waste Event** on April 19 was a success, collecting **844 pounds of e-waste**. Friends of Animal Rescue, Sea Turtle Inc., Dairy Queen, Republic Services, and RDA Technologies participated as vendors. Additionally, Republic Services collected over 4,100 pounds of recyclable material.

# ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

# BUILDING INSPECTIONS

April Valuations: \$1,031,260.00

May Valuations: \$2,747,263.34

June Valuations: \$2,566,101.62

- The police department's Mobile Data Terminal project is complete; five units are now operating with mobile laptops for Texas law enforcement telecommunication access.
- The Technology department is currently working with the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) to remove the on - site Satellite dish and change the communication type to a landline.
- Recite Me, a website accessibility software for the myspi.org City website, is in progress.
- City Hall's main servers have been approved by the City Council, and the implementation phase is in progress. The project goal is not only to target compliance but to look for future compatibility with other technologies.
- The technology department is phasing out the Microsoft Windows 10 operating system across all City departments.

# INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

# HUMAN RESOURCES

April: The HR division coordinated a Biometric Circle Wellness Clinic for all city staff to have a wellness check on - site.


May: HR staff attended the 1st TX Health Member Forum & Annual TMHRA Conference.

June: HR division hosted the RGV HR Consortium Mid - Year training at the SPI Community Center. HR professionals from multiple RGV municipalities attended this training.



## SPI Connect Presented: (April - May)

- Open Records & Records Management training for staff, presented by Nikki Soto.
- TMRS Pre - Retirement Presentation for those employees eligible to retire.
- Dealing with Heat Stress from Local Gov University.
- Cybersecurity Awareness.
- Balancing Act: Strategies for Mental Health.
- Texas Health and Human Services - The Importance of Self - Care While Caregiving.
- Using Parliamentary Procedure for More Efficient Meetings.
- ICMA - Strategies for Resilience During Stressful Times.
- The Keys to Effectively Managing Employee Performance.



The Municipal Court has recently been focused on closing a high volume of spring break cases involving individuals under the age of 21 who were charged with alcohol - related offenses.

These cases required defendants to complete an alcohol awareness course and perform community service hours as part of their court ordered obligations. -

Court staff have been diligently reviewing each case to verify compliance, updating records accordingly, and processing the necessary documentation to finalize and close these cases.

# MUNICIPAL COURT

# CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

## Public Information

446 PIRs submitted

Top 3 PIR processors

56.1% of PIRs go to the Police Dept. for processing.

22.6% of PIRS go to the City Manager's Office for processing.

11.7% of PIRs go to the Building Dept. for processing.

13 Withholding letters submitted to the Office of the Attorney

General.

4 in April

5 in May

4 in June

## Key Media Interviews

PI Press 100 - Year Rain event

Fire Station Beach Safety Semana Santa

Island Metro KRGV

Middle School Career Readiness Interview - Fire Station

Beach Clean Up Shoreline

2 Convention Center Expansion

City Permitting

## Followers:

- FB: 36,228
- Instagram: 1,312
- X: 9,064

## Reach Total: 285,960

- FB: 270.1K
- Instagram: 4.6K
- X: 11,260

## Post Created: Total 303

- FB: 114 Posted Content
  - 62 events on FB
- Instagram: 95
- X: 90

## Meetings and Agendas

- 2,816 Total Meeting Page Views
- 1,714 Total Visitors



# TRANSIT DEPARTMENT



## APRIL

- Ridership: 32,670
- Hosted 4 Meetings/Trainings
- 6k Views on Facebook

## MAY

- Ridership: 43,528
- Bart Perez, Transit Manager obtained Certified Public Manager certificate.
- Applied for \$1,493,368 in both State & Federal Funds combined for the upcoming fiscal year
- 7.2k Views on Facebook

## JUNE

- Ridership: 43,820
- Received \$325,922 in funding to replace unit 45
- Added new decals to buses.

# PARKS AND RECREATION



Efforts to maintain and upgrade park facilities are ongoing, with the start of the Turtle Park pavilion repair and reroofing project. This project aims to restore and improve the popular shaded structure, ensuring its longevity and continued enjoyment by the public.



The Parks and Keep SPI Beautiful Committee hosted an Arbor Day planting event on Friday, April 25th. Volunteers and committee members gathered at Turtle Park to plant a variety of bird and butterfly - friendly native plants. The project also saw the expansion of an existing flower bed, further enhancing the park's role as a sanctuary for local fauna.



Locals and visitors will soon enjoy enhanced nighttime recreation at John L. Tompkins Park, as the much - anticipated lighting project has been completed. The upgrades promise to improve safety and extend the usability of the park's amenities after dusk.

Strategic Marketing &; Sales Outreach

- Activations in key markets:  
Fiesta Flambeau Parade (San Antonio)  
Austin FC Matchday (Austin)  
Spurs Draft Watch Party (San Antonio)
- Hosted meeting planners at Texas Society of Association Executives Social (Houston) and Cvent Connect (San Antonio)

Key Wins

- 3,300 attendees at our SPI Crawfish Festival.
- Tacos & Tequila Festival named Best Food Festival (Small Market) – 2025 Texas Travel Awards.
- Run the Jailbreak returned with 6,000+ attendees.



Community Engagement

- Earth Day Beach Cleanup with Austin FC, Pantalones Tequila, and Surfrider Foundation: 150+ volunteers, 120 lbs of trash collected
- Celebrated National Travel & Tourism Week, hosted our Quarterly Island Partner luncheon, and provided tourism briefings at the SPI Coffee & Conversation.

VISIT SPI

# SHORELINE

Grant proposals submitted during quarter:

(3) CEPRA Proposals

(1) NFWF Pre - Proposal (invited for final)

(3) CMP Proposals

Installation of a new water fountain at Beach Access #18

Looking into the feasibility of installing at other accesses

Opened bids for the Marisol Boat Ramp in June

Three bids were receive.





QUESTIONS?